

# Electoral boundary shift could remove Halton Hills out of Wellington-Halton Hills

All of Wellington County could be part of a single riding – Wellington-Woolwich – under a revamped proposal to alter federal electoral boundaries announced last week.

In August, the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission (FEBC) published a proposal for a new electoral map and now the Commission is asking for public input. The Commission's original proposal left both Perth-Wellington and Wellington-Halton Hills unchanged, but the version on the Commission's website on November 9 would remove Mapleton, Wellington North and Minto from Perth-Wellington and to add them to Wellington-Halton Hills.

The current proposal would see the Township of Woolwich removed from Kitchener-Conestoga and added to the electoral district of Wellington-Halton Hills, with the result that the originally proposed electoral district of Kitchener-Conestoga would be eliminated. In Wellington-Halton Hills, originally unchanged, the Commission now proposes putting Wellington North, Mapleton, Woolwich and Minto, removing the Town of Halton Hills and calling the new riding Wellington-Woolwich. Halton Hills would join a developing area in South Milton and be called Halton Hills - Milton.

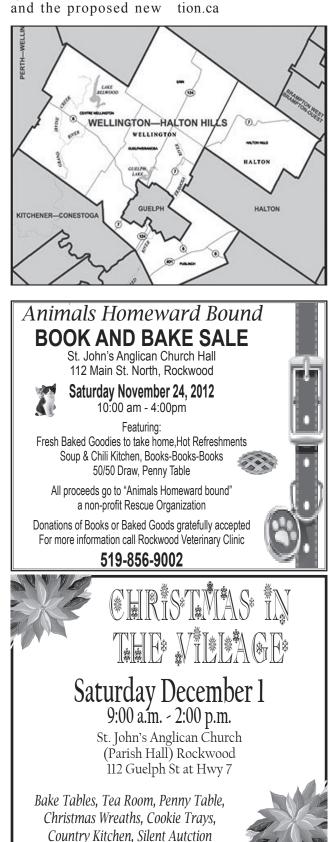
The boundary changes stem from new Statistics Canada population figures used to determine the number of seats in the House of Commons allocated to each province and territory. Ontario,



where the population has increased significantly since the previous census, would have 121 electoral districts, up by 15. Wellington-Halton Hills represented federally by MP Michael Chong and provincially by MPP Ted Arnott, has approximately 115,000 residents,

Wellington-Woolwich riding would have approximately 110,000 residents.

Citizens may comment on the proposed changes by emailing to ontario@ rfed-rcf.ca or by calling 1-855-747-7224. For more information visit www.federal-redistribution.ca





MINTO MIGHT: After winning a Wellington county in motion active transportation challenge, Town of Minto officials invited the losers to wear a Minto golf shirt and fly a Minto flag. On Monday, Minto Mayor George Bridge (third from left) celebrated the win and delivered shirts to Guelph/ Eramosa Township Council, including from left: Doug Breen, John Scott, Guelph/Eramosa Mayor Chris White, Councillors David Wolk and Corey Woods – Submitted photo



## Lunch and shop

There will be penny tables, baked goods, arts and crafts, and locally grown fruits and vegetables at the Eden Mills Christmas bazaar on Saturday, (November 24) from 12 to 2 p.m., at the Eden Mills Community Hall.

A light lunch will also be served at the event, which will raise money for community organizations and local churches. Elvis gospel

Roy Le Blanc, the Las

Vegas World champion, will channel Elvis at the Rockwood United Church's Christmas gospel concert on Sunday, December 2 at 2 p.m. Tickets to the show – billed as "in the style of Elvis" – are available at the Church on Sundays, or by emailing office@ rockwoodunitedchurch. ca

#### Parade ready

Dress warm and stake out a good spot. That's handy information in preparation for the 20th annual Parade of Lights which will wind its way through the village of Rockwood on December 13.

Started by members of Rockwood's farming community, the event has grown into a huge affair, drawing thousands of people along the Main Street, Alma Street and the Fourth Line route. It features farm equipment festooned with holiday finery, and of course, Santa Claus.



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Erin: Monday, Dec. 3 – 6:30 - 8:30 pm

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**Rockwood:** Tuesday. Nov. 20, 27, Dec. 4, 11 **Erin:** Thursday Nov. 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13 – 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

### **HEART HEALTH NUTRITION**

Rockwood: Friday Dec 7 – Nov. 6 – 9:30 am - 11:30 am

LIVING WELL WITH DIABETES SESSION 1 Erin: Tuesday Dec. 4 – 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

PRE-DIABETES: YOUR CHANCE TO CHANGE THE FUTURE Session 2

Erin: Tuesday Dec. 11 – 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Erin Location: Erin Wellness Centre - 6 Thompson Crescent Rockwood Location: Rockwood Clinic - 175 Alma

To register please go to www.ewfht.ca and click on workshops or call Leah at 519-833-9396 Ext 362