

Golfers fight cancer with annual tournament to fund research

Two local groups share proceeds

There is \$56,730 more for cancer research thanks to the Paul Murr Memorial Golf Tournament organizers who presented Wellington Cancer Society officials with a large ceremonial cheque for \$50,000 last Wednesday at the Acton Legion, prior to the committee's first meeting for the 2013 event.

"It is an awesome committee that does an awesome job every year," said Acton Cancer Branch President Cathy Gerrow before the ceremony. "It is an amazing amount of money for research, and we are really grateful for all of the hard work the committee puts into the tournament, and for all of the people who come out and support it every year."

Before his death from pancreatic cancer in 1988, Acton businessman Paul Murr learned that the annual Can-



CANCER CASH: Members of the Paul Murr Memorial Golf Tournament presented a \$50,000 cheque to Acton and Wellington Canadian Cancer Society officials last Wednesday at the Acton Legion. On hand were, front, from left: Cancer Society officials Pat Kentner and Cathy Gerrow, committee members John McNabb and Bev Mattocks. Middle left: Society member Rena Arbic and Lorraine Skarratt, manager of the Wellington Unit. Back: Tournament committee members Tim Ware, Luke Vandermeer, Ron Heller, Allan Hall, Bill Manes and Wade Vickery. Absent: Jon Hurst, George McPhail, Fred Reinders and Susan Rauwerda. — Frances Learment photo

adian Cancer Society golf tournament he volunteered for would be renamed in his honour.

For 28 years, his friends have gladly donated their time and talents to the tournament at Club-

Link's Blue Springs golf course, which has raised a total of \$939,000 since its inception.

Lorraine Skarratt, Wellington County Canadian Cancer Society Unit Manager

said the money raised through events like the Paul Murr tournament is helping win the fight against cancer. "Today, 62 per cent of the people diagnosed with cancer will survive — we now have cancer survivors in the majority," Skarratt said, adding the Society is funding three research grants at the University of Guelph.

Tournament chair Allan Hall credits hard-working committee members and a "good nucleus of generous sponsors and players who come back every year" for the tournament's on-going success. They had 240 golfers in May, with room for 280.

At last week's meeting tournament committee members laid out a framework for next year's tournament — looking at "innovative" features Hall said to keep it fresh — and will get into detailed planning in January.

The committee also earlier donated \$6,730 to CASHh (Cancer Assistance Services of Halton Hills.)

Police/Fire Report

Thin ice idiot
Halton police rescued a 49-year-old man who

had been drinking before he fell through the ice on Fairy Lake at 1:42

on Sunday morning. The man was 20-metres from shore when the ice gave way. A witness called police

The victim could not touch bottom and held onto the edge of the ice to approximately 10 minutes until two officers in the area used a throw him a rescue safety bag to grab

onto.

The man was taken to Georgetown Hospital for treatment of exposure and hypothermia and released several hours later without significant injury.

Emergency officials caution no ice surface should be assumed safe until it has been inspected and found to be at least 10

centimetres, or four inches, thick.

Container fire

No word what started a fire in a shipping container on a tractor trailer flatbed parked in the Nassagaweya-Esquesing Town Line early Sunday morning. Acton firefighters extinguished the fire and turned the scene over to police.

Lift stuck

Acton firefighters rescued a Churchill Road

South resident whose wheelchair lift became stuck in the up position when they were trying to use it just before 10 on Friday morning. Fire fighters released the pressure and lowered the person safely to the ground.

False alarms

Someone pulled two alarm stations at Acton High School at 6:05 p.m. last Monday. Acton firefighters raced to the school. But found no fire.

TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

Draft Multi-Year Accessibility Plan

In consultation with the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee, Town staff is currently working on the Town's draft Multi-year Accessibility Plan highlighting priorities for improving accessibility across Halton Hills.

The Report and Multi-year Accessibility Plan will be before Council on December 10, 2012.

If you wish to speak to the draft Multi-year Accessibility Plan please register prior to the meeting with the Town Clerk's Office at 905-873-2601 ext. 2333 or if you wish to provide feedback in writing it can be sent via email at suzannej@haltonhills.ca

The Report and Draft Multi-year Accessibility Plan will be available on the Town's website on December 6, 2012 at www.haltonhills.ca

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