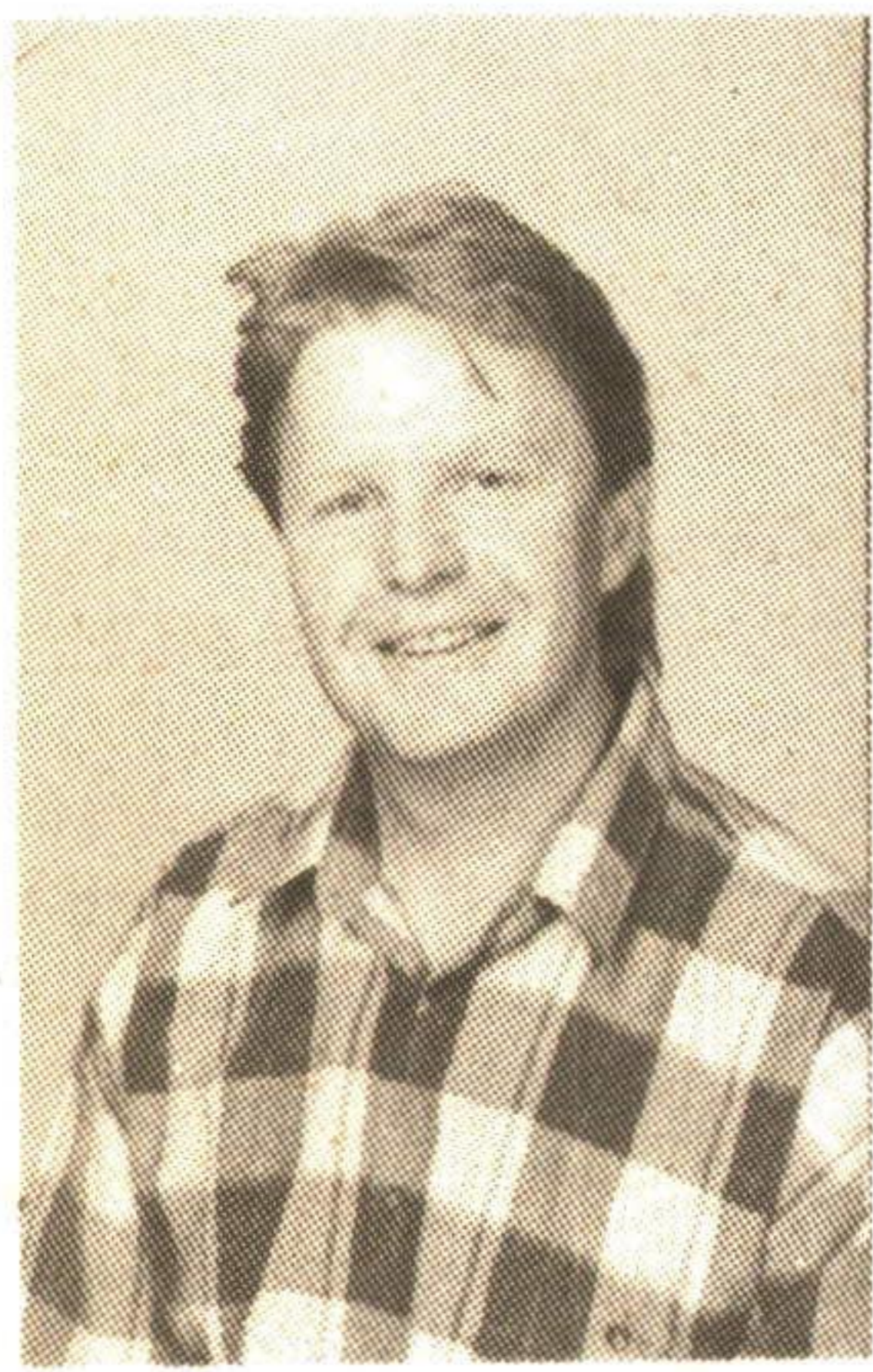


## Gardening Grapevine

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When European gardeners first discovered this South African perennial they must have thought they discovered gold. Gerbera in both potted plant sales and cut flower sales has risen in popularity in Europe with record setting sales. The popularity has started in North America as a cut flower; in fact cut stems of Gerbera are being imported from Holland weekly. Gerbera as a cut flower should only have 1/4 inch of the stem submerged in water and change the water every other day; this way you will enjoy 10-14 days of fresh cut flowers.

Gerbera with its huge daisy-like flowers come in red, orange, pink, white, cream, yellow and I suspect the Dutch will have many more in the future. The future for Gerbera according to both growers and retailers is strong. The demand for Gerbera as a potted plant has finally come to fruition.

Grown as an annual (unless you have a sunny spot and some patience to overwinter its dandelion-like leaves) Gerbera prefer a partially alkaline sandy loam soil. Dig deep before planting and be sure to point the roots straight down and water deeply. Don't water with a sprinkler because you will deteriorate its regal flower. Gerberas enjoy heavy regular feeding schedules but do not exceed recommended application rates. It is best to water under the bloom especially during hot weather. Do not let Gerbera sit in moist soil for they will rot easily. Remove dead blooms and older leaves as they discolor and this plant will last as a potted plant in flower until mid October, mid November, depending on how much sun you can provide. If you plan on bringing it indoors to enjoy after the summer, before placing in the garden, transplant it into an 8-10 inch clay pot with fresh soil and slow release nutricote fertilizer then submerge it in the ground. When you lift it prior to September 1, wash off the dirt then scrub the clay pot with steel wool and presto you have a beauty for the south window of any room.

Sometimes called Transvaal Daisy, Gerbera are a long lived plant with a strong future in our gardens as the largest daisy-like flower for bedding out, potted plant or as a cut flower.

Any questions? Call the Gardening Grapevine Hotline 833-2117.

## Student employment

# Tips to help you find a job

Finding a job can be a difficult task.

One of the first steps involved is a self assessment. You must ask yourself questions like what are my likes and dislikes, what activities do I enjoy most, and what are my short and long term goals?

Being able to answer these questions will help you get a head start on personal interviews because employers will ask you these types of questions when they consider you for a job.

The ability to sell yourself is an important quality to possess. This is important once you've decided what job you are suited for. However, remember that only you know what you like to do, what you can do, and what you want to do.

In looking for a job, there are a number of alternatives available. Friends and relatives can help you out in your search. They may know of jobs that have not been advertised yet. But ask for their permission to use their names before you decided to follow up on their leads.

Employment agencies offer another avenue toward creative job searching. The Canada Employment Centre for Students and private companies are both specialized in matching people with jobs.

Previous employers are also sources for possible jobs. With this in mind, you should keep phoning them periodically to remind them of who you are and when you worked for them. Inquire about any openings in the office or company and let them know the new skills you possess and

that you are available should a suitable job arise.

Newspapers are a good way to find out not only what jobs are currently available but also to give an idea as to what kinds of jobs are currently in demand in the employment market.

Use newspapers and even the various employment papers to look for jobs and to learn what types of qualifications employers are looking

for in their potential employees.

Finally, the best method of job searching is to go out and make direct contact with the employers themselves. A personal visit to an employer displays not only a desire to work but an initiative in finding employment.

These are only a few suggestions on searching for a job. If you have any questions or concerns call the local Canada Employment Centre for Students at 877-7797 or 877-7751.

### Milton Choristers

Milton Choristers will present a selection of spirituals, folk songs and Broadway tunes on May 26 and 27. Program starts at 8 p.m. at St. Clair Masonic Hall on Hwy. 25, one kilometre south of Derry Rd. Tickets are available at Peggy's or Delacourts in Milton. Cash bar both nights. On Saturday, a dance with D.J. will follow the concert.

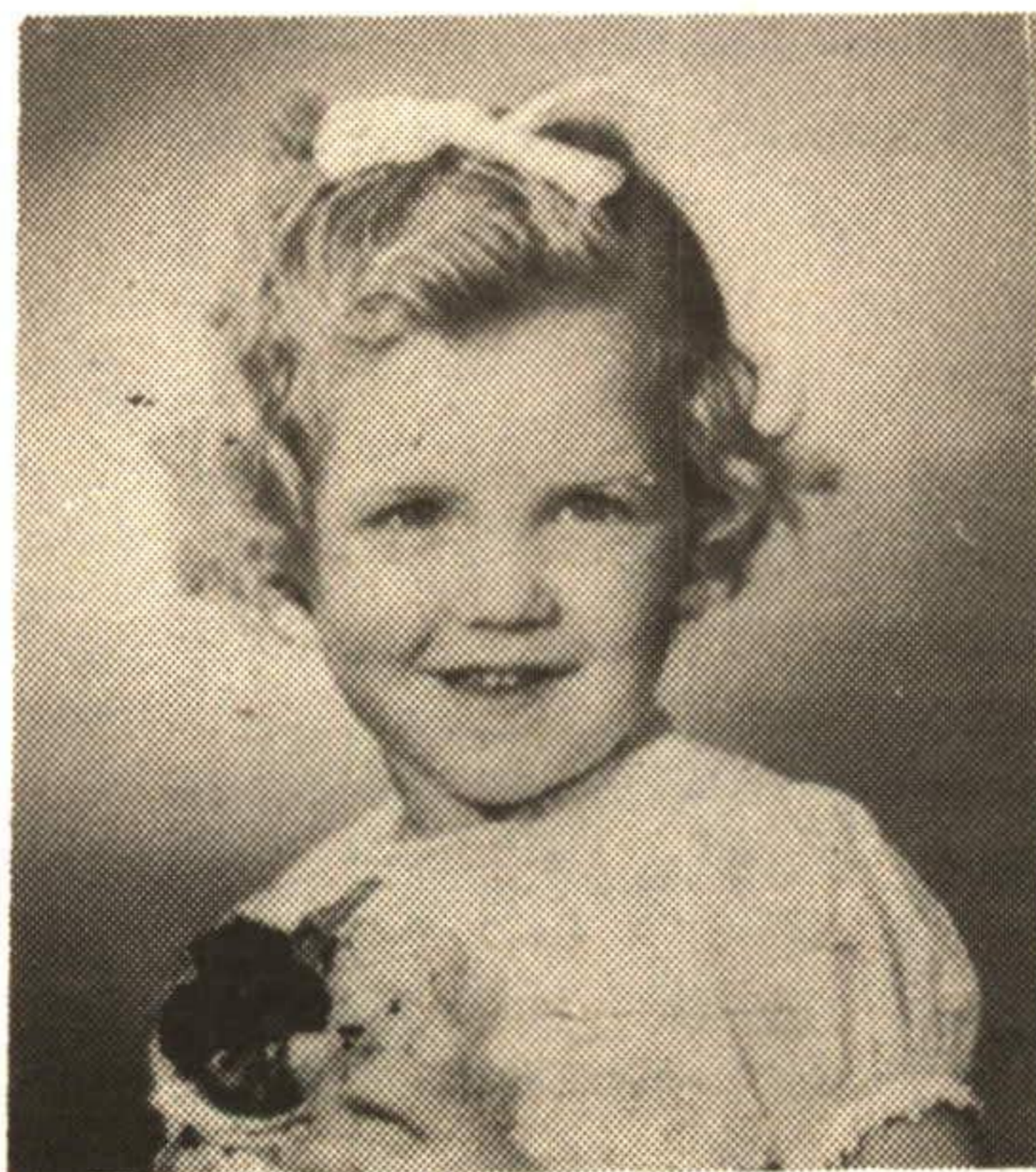
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Love Mom, Dad, Scott & Jenny

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## Public Information Centre Mountainview Road

The Region of Halton is undertaking a Preliminary Design Study for Mountainview Road (Regional Road 13) through the Silver Creek Valley area. The following public information centre is being held to provide area residents with an opportunity to review alternative improvement plans.

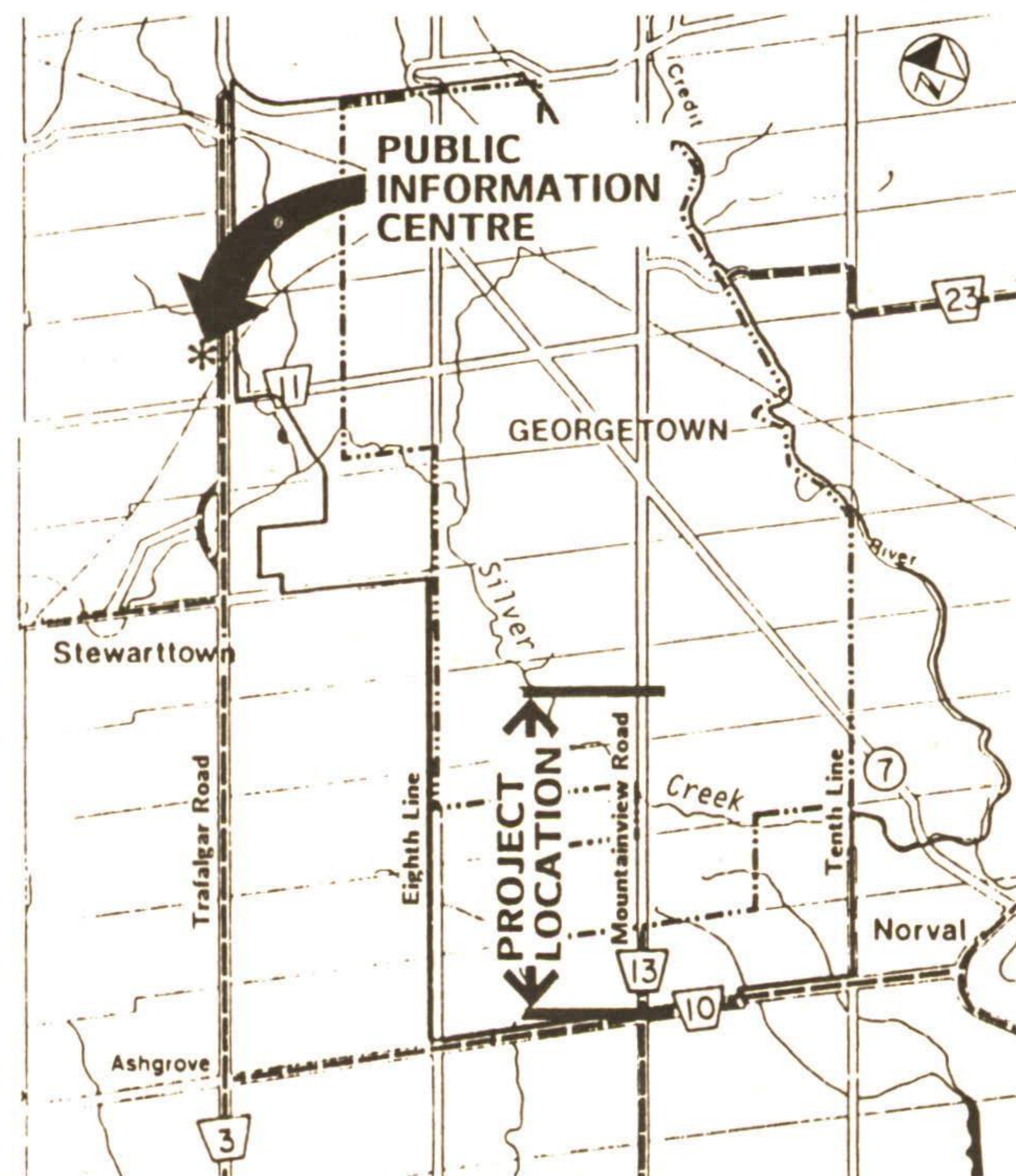
**Wednesday, May 24, 1989**

4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

in the Committee Room at the  
Town of Halton Hills Administration Building  
Trafalgar Road  
(north of Maple Avenue)

Members of the public are invited to drop in at their convenience and discuss the study with representatives from the Region and their consultant. If you require any additional information regarding this study, please contact:

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