

Help put Fleet in the driver's seat

Bowlers from around Halton Hills have come out in force to support disabled Acton student Matthew Fleet.

A total of 120 teams turned up to support the Wheels for Matthew fund raising venture, helping raise funds for a customized van to get the 20 year-old back and forth to university. Each team of five bowlers paid \$60 to compete in the event.

Fleet was injured in a swimming accident in the Dominican Republic three

years ago.

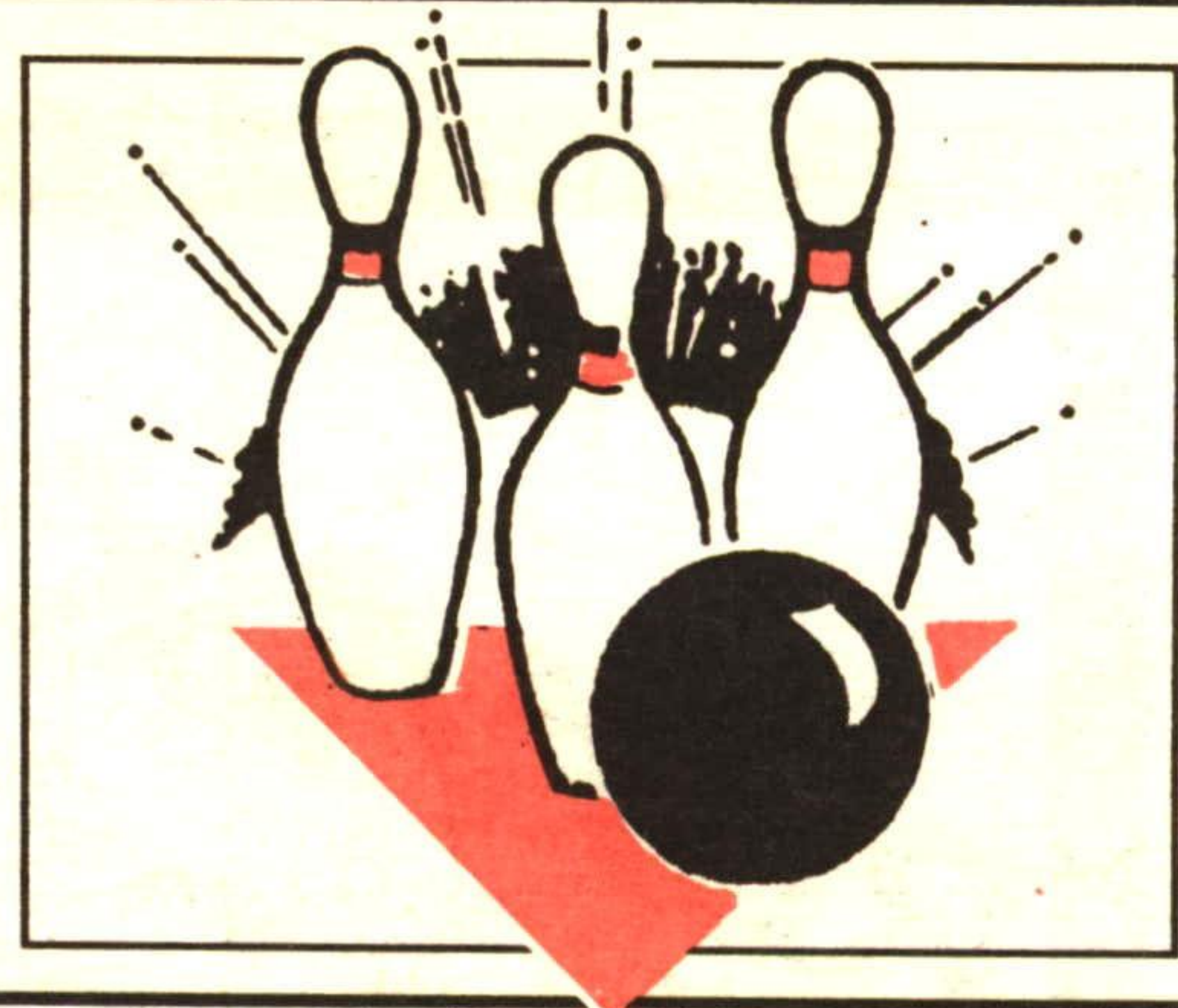
The tourney finals are set for today (Sunday) at 3 p.m. with Halton Cable Four televising the event live in Milton, Georgetown and Acton beginning at 2 p.m., and now the bowlers are asking the rest of community to take part.

While the six lucky teams in the final compete for a variety of prizes Acton High School students will be answering the phones at 853-1273 or 853-1283 taking

pledges for the cause.

While the bowlers are knocking them down at Acton Lanes, there will be food and entertainment taking place downstairs in the former Stedman's store, with square dancers, a rock band and several other groups slated to perform.

Hot dogs and pop will be available, courtesy of Acton IGA, with all proceeds of the day going to the Wheels for Matthew committee.



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Feds to visit Georgetown

Federal cabinet ministers Otto Jelinek, Michael Wilson, Barbara McDougall and Pauline Browes are planning an extended tour of Halton this Tuesday, including a stop at Georgetown's Wastewise facility.

After meeting with regional councillors first thing in the morning, the ministers will split up and tour various facilities in Halton and Mississauga throughout the day.

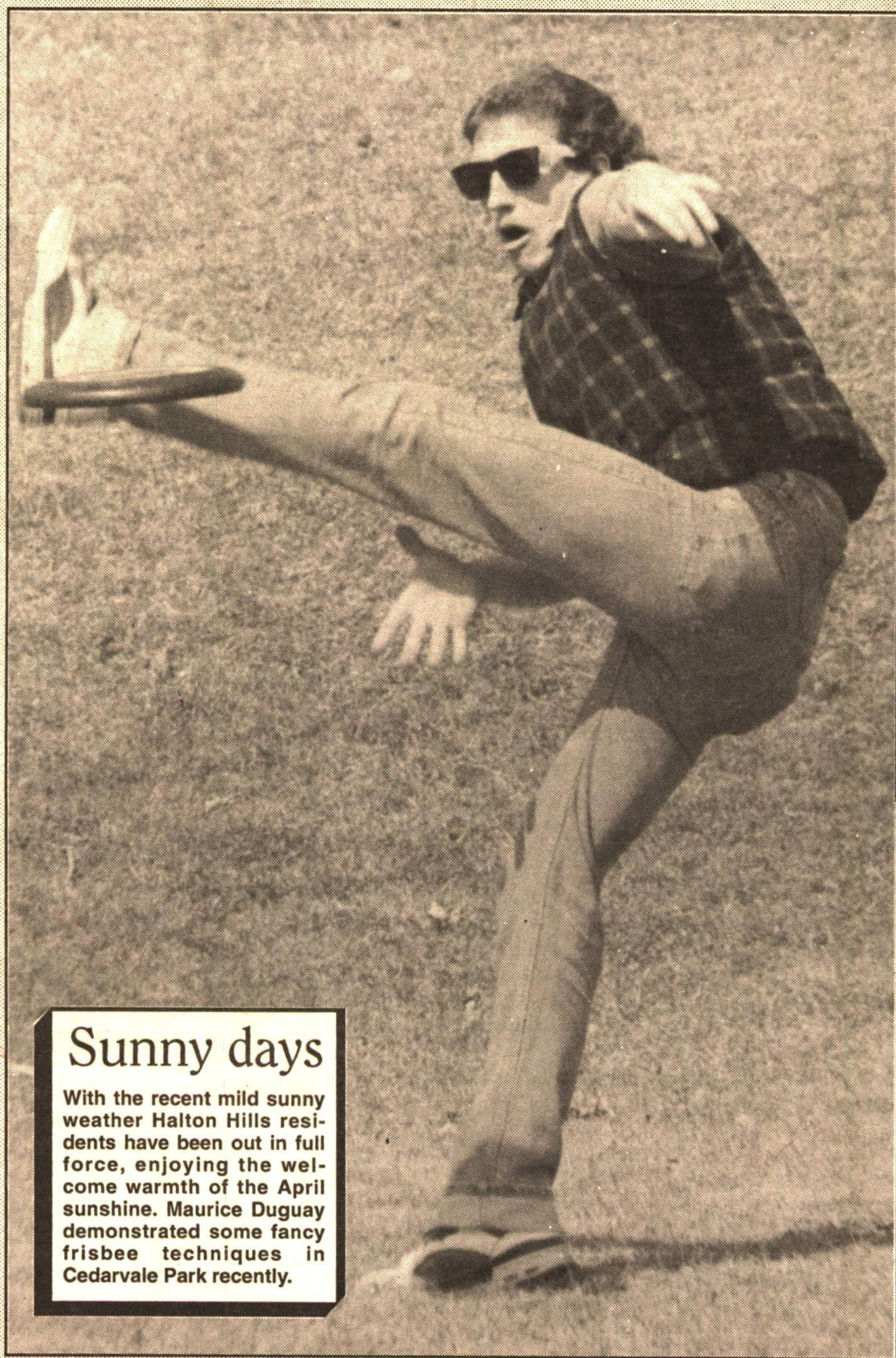
At noon sharp, Browes, the minister of state for the environment, will join Halton north MP Garth Turner for a first-hand look at Wastewise. The visit will commemorate the local waste facility's first anniversary.

Later that afternoon, at 3:30 p.m., the minister of industry and international trade, Michael Wilson, will join Turner at a town hall meeting at the North Halton Golf and Country Club. The meeting is open to the public, chamber of commerce and selected secondary school students. Free Trade, competitiveness and Canada's economy are on the agenda. Turner will also be holding a second town hall meeting on April 20, at 7:30 p.m.

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Sunny days

With the recent mild sunny weather Halton Hills residents have been out in full force, enjoying the welcome warmth of the April sunshine. Maurice Duguay demonstrated some fancy frisbee techniques in Cedarvale Park recently.

Photo by TED BROWN

Marketplace planning for 60 new stores

Halton Hills' shoppers can look forward to a wide variety of retail outlets once the Georgetown Marketplace completes its expansion this summer.

On opening day, August 12, the new indoor mall will boast 60 new stores over and above those already doing business.

The overall size will expand to approximately 300,000 square feet of space, effectively doubling the size of the existing Marketplace.

The plaza's two anchors — Zellers and Loblaws — will be joined by a third large retail outlet, Woolco department store, which will be approximately 80,000 square feet in size.

Shoppers can expect to take advantage of a good cross section of new retailers, such as:

- * Coles bookstore
 - * Northern Reflections
 - * Northern Getaway (kids' clothing, replacing Kids Mart)
 - * Joggers (athletic wear and equipment)
 - * Big K record store
 - * A Cut Above hair salon
 - * Coffee Time donut store
 - * Silver Dollar outlet
 - * Global Pet Foods (wholesale pet food store)
 - * Campus Crew (casual clothing)
 - * expansion of Hallmark Cards
 - * men's wear store (suits, etc.)
- In addition, an indoor food court will include:
- * Teriyaki Express
 - * Manchu Wok
 - * A&W
 - * Coffee Grinder (coffee shop)

There is still another 20,000 square feet of space yet to be leased, but Marketplace owner ICI Shopping Centres Ltd. is confident that it will be filled by the time the new mall opens its doors.

"In today's times we could be worse off, but considering we're in a recession, we are happy about the way the leasing is going," ICI spokesperson Adam Warner said. "But, we're in a good situation right now — we have solid tenants there like Woolco and Zellers. So, I don't think we'll have a problem with filling the space."

ICI predicts that the changes to the Georgetown Marketplace will attract 20 per cent more shoppers to the area within five years — or a total of 60,000 people.

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