

Council

Briefs

Recycling initiatives

The town has joined the ranks of the environmentally-aware by changing its habits and using recycled paper in its offices. Its environmental initiatives committee recommended that duplicating paper, computer paper, envelopes and letter-head paper all have a recycled content. Although costs will be slightly higher for recycled paper, councillors unanimously concurred with the committee's suggestions Monday night.

New bridge limits

New weight limits for two bridges in Georgetown and Glen Williams have been recommended by the town's engineering department because of their deteriorating conditions. The first, the Beaumont Bridge on Main St., south of Mountain St. in the Glen, has been given its first weight restrictions of 26 tonnes. A consulting engineer had recommended 20 tonnes, but the town felt that the bridge could handle the additional weight to accommodate its snow plows, according to a report. Any damage to the bridge will not compromise its integrity, but plans are in the works to repair the structure next year. The second bridge on Maple Ave. over the CNR tracks is "virtually at the end of its lifespan," the report continued, and is expected to be replaced in 1994. Its weight limit has been reduced from five tonnes to three tonnes.

Residents asked to participate in defining CVCA strategic plan

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority is calling on watershed residents to participate in focus group sessions being organized to help formulate a Conservation Areas Strategic Plan.

"The Authority wants to define its role in land management, target the needs of our watershed residents and better understand their expectations," says conservation area planner Brian Tayler.

The focus groups will meet five times to discuss opinions on a range of issues including outdoor activities to be offered at conservation

areas, types of lands that should be acquired in the future, the conservation authority's role in developing and operating commercial recreation facilities and the intensity of use in conservation areas.

"We have and will continue to have dialogue with special interests groups, various levels of governments and agencies but these sessions are an opportunity for those who might not normally feel they have a say in conservation area

planning to give valuable input," says Tayler. "We encourage residents who are strong active listeners, quick at grasping issues and able to commit to five sessions up to a day in length, to become involved in the process."

Those interested in participating in the focus group sessions are encouraged to call Brian Tayler at the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, 1-800-668-5557 or (416) 670-1615 for more information.

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School boards working together

Halton Roman Catholic School Board and the Halton Board of Education are joining forces to give the gift of sight to needy children in the Third World.

Working with the Burlington Central Lions Club, Halton schools are collecting used and unwanted eyeglasses which will be refurbished by LensCrafters at no charge and sent to help some of the one-in-three people in the world who require eyeglasses.

Last year, the Give the Gift of Sight Program provided free eye care to 8,700 people in Costa Rica. This year they will give new life to old glasses for the people of Panama.

Many schools will be encouraging parents and students to bring old glasses to the school. Members of the public can also drop their old glasses off at either of the board offices or their closest school. The Halton Board is located at 2050 Guelph Line in Burlington and the Catholic Board is located at 830 Drury Line in Burlington.

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