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# SEEDING A LAWN

After the lawn site has been prepared properly and a good seed mixture purchased, it is finally time to seed. Seeding is best done in the spring or fall. The summer time heat makes it difficult for seed to germinate.

Use a drop spreader or rotary spreader, and seed at 2 1/2 kg to 3 kg (4-6 lbs.) per 100 m² (1000 ft²). Divide the recommended seeding rate in half, and seed in two directions. After seeding, rake over the lawn to just cover the seeds. Seed should never be planted deeper than twice its depth in the soil. Some people prefer to spread top soil over a new lawn. This is not recommended, because you disturb the even plantings, and risk burying the tiny seeds. If you wish to do this, you must be careful not to place more than 1/8" of soil on the seed (just enough to hide the seed).

Next, the lawn should be rolled in multiple directions. This is the only time that a lawn should ever be rolled. A light rolling at this time puts the seed in close contact with the soil which is critical. If it is a small area,

simply walking over the area with flat soled shoes will help push the seed into the soil.

Water the lawn thoroughly. Never allow water to puddle or stream, because this will carry the seeds away. Keep the lawn constantly moist. If the seed is allowed to dry out, it may not survive.

After approximately one month, the lawn should be ready for its first mowing.

**NEXT WEEK: Mowing Your Lawn** 



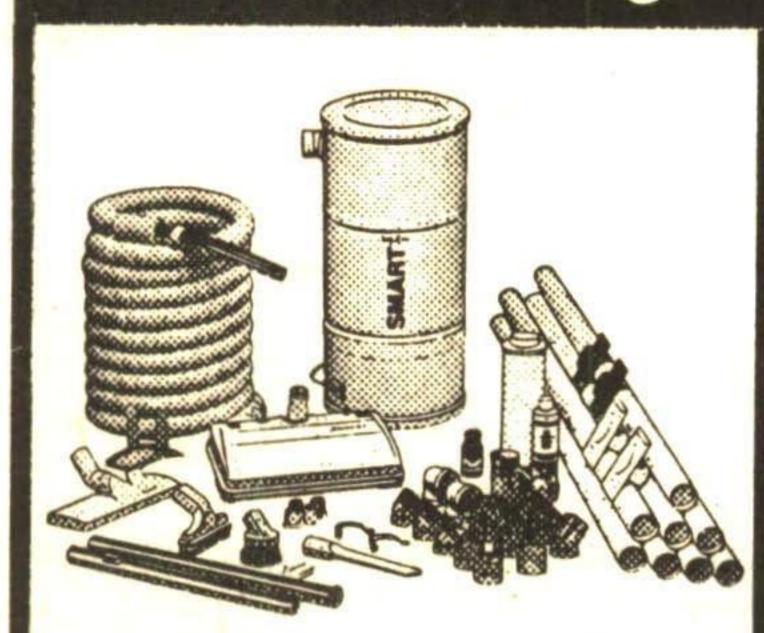
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Rev. Nancy Knox received the Book of Commemoration presentation from Drew Leverette, chairman of St. John's United Church's building committee. St. John's was filled to capacity for the dedication of the newly restored building recently. Photo by Jean Layman

# Chamber plans 'second career' workshops in May

The Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Second Career Program, will be offering two separate one-day workshops to corporations who may wish to send one or more people.

The workshops are:

### Career Development

The Career Development Workshop on Saturday, May 23, will provide major benefits to your organization. The participants will feel "rejuvenated" for work, which in turn will increase morale and productivity.

The one-day workshop contains a lifestyle and financial planning component to help you answer the age old questions "what do I want out of life, and how can I get there?" In the lifestyle component, we teach simple and unique techniques to evaluate and improve your current work and leisure, and take control so your future will be worthwhile and enjoyable.

The financial planning component will make you aware of financial strategies you can pursue to ensure that your future retirement will be all that you want it to be.

Highlights include needs and skills analysis; evaluating and improving your work; evaluating and improving your leisure; longrange retirement planning; financial planning for eventual retirement; investment options.

Retirement planning Retirement Planning

Workshop on Saturday, May 30, will be of particular benefit if your organization seeks to encourage early retirement. Our unique approach actually encourages the decision to retire as people see that there is life beyond the work.

Retirement planning will help people with the two most important areas of retirement happiness namely, finding worthwhile replacements for work, and financial planning. Spouses are encouraged to attend the retirement planning workshop.

Highlights include retirement as a 'new career'; main ingredients for retirement happiness; identifying needs and skills; how to assess retirement plans; how to create new retirement plans; when does the fun begin?; how to develop a retirement financial plan; RRSP maturity options; estate planning; implementing your plan.

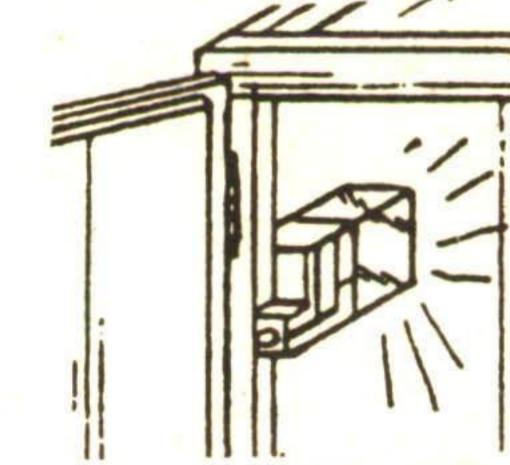
The Second Career Program is under the directorship of Dr. Alan Roadburg and is a leader in the field of career and retirement plan-

Register now

Both workshops will be held at North Halton Golf Club, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost, \$150 per person (\$125 each for two or more) and includes lunch, refreshments and all course materials.

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