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From left, Halton Hills Public Library board member Niki Meijer, Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette and Executive Director of library services and culture Jane Diamanti show off HHPLs new library cards. Photo by Kathryn Boyle

A first in Canada?

Halton Hills Library launches new library cards made from wood

By Kathryn Boyle kboyle@theifp.ca

With Town Council promoting sustainability, Halton Hills Public Library has added an effort in going green.

The new membership cards were launched at the Acton library on Feb. 23. They are made from Nordic birch wood harvested from sustainably-managed forests and are 100 per cent polyvinyl chloride (PVC)

As far as we know, we re the first library in Canada to have this type of card, marketing and communications specialist Audrey Holt said. It s a bit of a pilot. We want to see how it would play with the community, and also to see how the cards would last.

Both branches were in the middle of renewing their membership cards when Holt stumbled upon Sustainable Cards, the world's leading wooden card manufacturer.

Once we found the supplier, it was just a matter of working out a design that would appeal to anybody, Holt explained.

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Resident pleads guilty in dog bite court case

By Nelia Raposo Special to The IFP

A Georgetown resident, Bobbie Calka, pled guilty to two out of three charges in a provincial court on Feb. 18. The charges stem from a dog bite incident on Weber Dr. in July.

According to officials at the Milton court, the third charge, for not having her Cocker Spaniel licensed with the Town of Halton Hills, was dropped as part of the plea agreement.

It was Calkas other dog, a female Boxer Bulldog crossbreed, which attacked a 9-year-old girl, who was hula hooping across the street from the defendants house.

The case was heard by Ontario Court Justice of the Peace Paul James Macphail. The accused was given an aggregate \$500 fine (\$250 for each offence) to be paid to the province and received an order of conditions that will follow the dog for its life.

The fines are for the following of-

- 1) Fail to exercise reasonable precautions to prevent the dog from attacking a person contrary to the Dog Owners Liability Act.
- 2) On the eighth day of July 2015, owner of dog did permit said dog to run at large within the Town of Halton Hills contrary to bylaw 94-077, Section

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