



**WINDY FUN:** Windy skies on Labour Day were perfect for kite flying in Prospect Park as Jacek Kieca of Mississauga found out. – Ted Tyler photo

# Calling all candidates

Halton Regional Chair Gary Carr wants local candidates running in the October 6 provincial election to explain to voters how they would resolve critical issues facing Halton. The candidates are being asked to respond to a questionnaire by September 19. The questions and responses received from the candidates will be posted on Halton's website [www.halton.ca/ontarioelection2011](http://www.halton.ca/ontarioelection2011) on September 22.

"Provincial policies have significant impacts on the programs and services delivered by Halton Region," said Regional Chair Gary Carr. "Voters should consider some

key questions including, how will candidates ensure that infrastructure programs are targeted to accommodate growth in Halton? How will they work with the Region to resolve Emergency Medical Services offload delays? How will they attract businesses and jobs to Halton? Would candidates be willing to vote against their party if it means a better future for Halton?" Carr asked.

The Province requires Halton's population to double to 780,000 by 2031, which will result in the need for approximately \$8.6-billion to cover the costs for hospitals, child care, emergency

services, roads and other infrastructure. Municipal infrastructure funding needs to be a priority with the Provincial government to ensure that Halton remains a great place to live, work, raise a family and retire.

On July 19, Halton Region released the advocacy platform A Strong Halton for a Strong Ontario – Partners for the Future. The Advocacy Platform describes the issues facing the Region and what Halton requests of the next Provincial government. Visit [www.halton.ca/ontarioelection2011](http://www.halton.ca/ontarioelection2011) to read the advocacy platform and the questions sent to local candidates.

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# Fall Compost Give Away

Saturday, September 17, 2011  
 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Halton Waste Management Site  
 5400 Regional Road 25, Milton

Thanks to the participation of Halton residents, approximately 32,000 tonnes of yard waste was composted last year and turned into rich, garden-friendly compost.

Halton residents are invited to come to the Compost Give Away and pick up some of this compost as a "thank you" for diverting this usable material away from the landfill, thereby extending its life!

All Halton households are welcome to collect a maximum of seven bags (or equivalent) of compost.

Please bring your own containers (garbage bags, yard waste bags, reusable containers, trailer, etc.) and shovel.

Residents are responsible for shovelling and bagging their own compost.

Non-perishable food items or cash donations will be gratefully accepted on behalf of Halton area Food Banks. Your donations make a difference!

Helpful Hint: When applying compost to your gardens, ensure you blend it with topsoil or another gardening fill. Recommended application for best growing results is a 60/40 split (60 per cent topsoil and 40 per cent compost).

## Cleaning up? We can help!

Bring your old batteries, paint, compact fluorescent light bulbs, pesticides and cleaners to the Household Hazardous Waste Depot at the Halton Waste Management Site. Maximum 20 litres per visit. No commercial loads can be accepted. For a list of acceptable materials and for additional information please visit [www.halton.ca/waste](http://www.halton.ca/waste).



Please let us know as soon as possible if you will have an accessibility or accommodation need at a Halton Region hosted event or meeting.

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