

Recognize our volunteers

Community has been defined as a group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common; a feeling of fellowship with others, as a result of sharing common attitudes, interests, and goals.

A picture of Halton Hills should be beside this definition in the dictionary, because day in and day out, the citizens of this town embody the word "community."

There's no better example of this town's great sense of community than the myriad of volunteers who strengthen it.

Halton Hills's volunteers serve on boards and committees, mentor peers, organize cultural and recreational activities, support the elderly, provide shelter, counsel youth, clean parks, coach teams, read to children, and so much more. Volunteers do the work they do because they believe in causes, equal opportunities, clean, healthy and safe community spaces, active living and helping others.

National Volunteer Week (April 12 to 18) — dedicated to honouring and recognizing those who donate their time and energy to their fellow citizens — is fast approaching.

Volunteer Halton, a program of Community Development Halton, is reaching out to non-profit, voluntary and grassroots organizations to nominate deserving individuals in its search for volunteers to honour. Nominees are sought for Cheers to Volunteers and Community Volunteer awards.

The Cheers to Volunteers Award recognizes the important contribution volunteers make to an organization. Three recipients from each of the four Halton communities (Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton and Oakville) will be selected through a random draw.

The Community Volunteer Award recognizes an individual volunteer who has made an outstanding contribution. One recipient from each Halton community will be selected based on the volunteer's impact.

Nominations are also sought for the Walter Mulkewich Community Development Award, which recognizes the collective contribution of a group of people working co-operatively toward positive change.

The nomination deadline is Friday, Mar. 20. Online nominations are now open and forms can be found at www.volunteerhalton.ca.

Here's the chance to truly recognize those in the community who make a difference in the lives of many in this town.

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Letters to the editor

Where does Chong stand?

Many people tell us 'I don't care for Stephen Harper but we have Michael Chong and Michael Chong is an honourable man.'

Harper is using the most deplorable kind of war and fear-mongering to put himself over the top.

Is Michael Chong speaking out? No.

But as we know Michael Chong is an honourable man?

Sheila Cunny

Karma will get you in the end

On February 24th between 3-4:30 p.m. my coat was stolen from Good Life Fitness Locker Room (Superstore) location. In the pocket of my coat were a set of keys.

It is very sad that someone could leave me stranded without a coat or car on one of the coldest days of the year.

A big thank you to Collette (a stranger) who drove me home.

I have filed a police report and reported

this to Loss Prevention at the Superstore.

Remember what goes around, comes around - KARMA!

Sharon Beesley

Thank you CASHh

In memory of Anne Benest-Rogers-Sidebottom

Our family would like to thank CASHh and the volunteers for all the help they gave us the past seven months during our journey. It was greatly appreciated by us.

CASHh was always there when we needed them as they do with everyone that need help in the community during their journey.

CASHh raises funds through donations and fundraisers throughout the year from the community and the funds raised stay in the community helping those that need help.

Once again their campaign starts in April and canvassers will be calling, so find it in your heart to give a little as all is greatly appreciated by CASHh so they can continue to help those travelling the long stressful journey.

Thank you from all the family members of the Kaczor, Benest, Sidebottom families

Robert Kaczor
Georgetown

More concerts please

I (recently) had the great pleasure of attending a performance by five very accomplished musicians in the Helson Gallery.

The performance was hosted by Bill McBride, whose fine voice and the magic he produces from his violin have made him well known in Georgetown. His four buddies and Bill delighted the audience with a popular program of music chosen to suit all tastes.

I understand that more musical afternoons such as this are being planned and urge everyone with an hour to spare on a Saturday afternoon to pop in and enjoy the music.

Maureen Walker

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