TOWN OF LTON HILLS EARTH WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Halton Hills Earth Day Robert C. Austin Operations Centre Saturday April 25, 2015 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The 15th annual Halton Hills Earth Day event will take place at the Robert C. Austin Operations Centre. Join us in celebrating Earth Day with the following activities:

- Residents can purchase trees for just \$5. Tree varieties include: White Spruce, Eastern White Pine, Red Maple, Downey Serviceberry, Red Oak, Common Choke Cherry, White Birch, White Cedar, Sugar Maple and Alternate-Leaved Dogwood (limit of 4 trees per person until 10:00 a.m.).
- Pick-up free compost and wood chips. Please bring your own shovel.
- Drop-off household hazardous waste and electronic waste.
- Public Work's equipment and vehicles will be on display, along with interactive and fun activities for children.
- Delicious breakfast and barbecue lunch.

Donations to local food banks are gratefully appreciated.

Contact:

Planning and Infrastructure Robert C. Austin Operations Centre 11620 Trafalgar Road Halton Hills, ON, L7G 4S4 Tel.: 905-873-2601 ext. 2603 inf@haltonhills.ca www.haltonhills.ca/initiatives/earth-day-trees.php



Earth Day and Sustainability Fair Saturday April 25, 2015 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Join us at Georgetown Market Place (280 Guelph St. Georgetown) for the Town's annual Earth Day and Sustainability Fair. The following activities will take place:

- Mountsberg 'Birds of Prey' Exhibit between 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- 'Sciensational Sssnakes!' live reptiles between 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Children's activities and advice on enhancing your land, water and wildlife. hosted by Credit Valley Conservation and Conservation Halton.
- Local organizations showcasing their work.
- Donations to local food banks will be
- gratefully appreciated. Visit the Halton Hills Hydro booth to learn about

energy conservation.



Bring the family to tour local, new and retrofitted buildings. Become inspired by their usage in green technologies to lessen the impact on the environment through energy and water conservation.

Green Tour Location	Description
Halton Hills Library 17 River Street, Acton www.hhpl.on.ca	Tour this LEED [™] certified building and learn about energy and water conservation initiatives. 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Mold-Masters SportsPlex 221 Guelph St, Georgetown www.haltonhills.ca	Take the Greenwalk! This is a 15-minute self-guided tour of the Mold-Masters SportsPlex Twin Rink Expansion Project. 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Wastewise (Halton Hills Community Resource Centre) 36 Armstrong Ave, Georgetown www.wastewise.ca	Tour this facility and learn about recycling and electronic waste collection. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Halton Hills Public Library 9 Church St. Georgetown www.hhpl.on.ca	Tour this newly renovated and impressive library to learn about the many water and energy conservations initiatives. 10:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.
Willow Park Ecology Centre 463 Guelph St., Norval www.willowparkecology.ca	Explore outdoors at this year-round nature preserve that provides habitat for native plants and animals. Entrance to the park is free. 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Thank you to our sponsors: Conservation Halton, Credit Valley Conservation, and Halton Hills Hydro.

For further information on the Earth Day and Sustainability Fair:

Contact: Planning and Infrastructure 1 Halton Hills Drive Halton Hills, ON L7G 5G2 Tel.: 905-873-2601 ext. 2290 sustainability@haltonhills.ca www.haltonhills.ca/earthday

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NEWS Local family excited to meet the First Lady

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The Lockwood family of Georgetown had an experience of a lifetime-participating in the world famous White House Easter Egg Roll- officiated by First Lady Michelle Obama and TV celebrity Rachael Ray.

Mark Lockwood said the entire experience was all a complete fluke.

"I noticed the First Lady wrapping up an interview on the back balcony of the White House and then noticed she was coming down the stairs toward the part of the garden the kids were on, then the Secret Service closed off the access to the area. I couldn't believe our luck, Michelle Obama was about to start the race our kids were in."

When actually meeting the First Lady, Lockwood admits that he was completely gobsmacked.

"People ask me what I said and to be honest I can not recall how I addressed her. I did. however, let her know I was from Canada and lived in Georgetown," he said.

Although his sister, Shannon Wallach, missed capturing the exchange, collectively they did manage some great pictures and an incredible video of the event.

"I was hoping to at least get a picture of Shannon with the First Lady after the race, however, there was a pretty good crowd gathering and could not manage a good one. In our attempts though we did realize the Secret Service does not like you to approach Michelle from behind.

"There was a funny moment for Shannon and I as she tried to get closer for me to take a picture, as she moved in from behind she felt a tug on her right elbow, thinking it was just me she moved on until the left elbow too was being grabbed and then turned to realize it was, in fact, the Secret Service!"

Lockwood would recommend the chance to participate in the annual event to anyone interested, and noted there is a lottery to get a ticket to attend, but it may come with a chance encounter of meeting a resident of the White House. This year about 97,000 people tried for a spot, about 30,000 succeeded.

Lockwood also noted that perhaps a well-placed brother-in-law at NBC might increase your odds.

Lockwood did have one regret.

"I wish I had noticed it was Rachael Ray with the First Lady, I was so shocked to meet Michelle I missed the chance to say hello to Rachael as well," he said.

The commemorative eggs from the White House sit proudly on his daughters' (Neve, Mackenzie, and Hannah) dressers.

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