

A hectic mom finds that special meaning in Mother's Day

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The world places some pretty high expectations on Mother's Day. It's often portrayed as a day where moms shouldn't have to lift a finger and are showered with endless

praises, gifts, special outings and the like.

But let's be honest, moms; if you're not spending the day away from home, many of your Mother's Day moments are going to be similar to any other day. If you have young kids and they know you're in the house, they're still going to ask you to pour them juice, wipe their bum, make them a snack, etc. It's funny how dad can be sitting beside them, but they're still going to yell, "Mom, where are my shoes?"

My Mother's Day started like ev-



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ery other Sunday, which involves trying to get my two kids out the door in somewhat of a timely fashion for church. This really left little time for me to lounge, or leisurely enjoy a Mother's Day breakfast, or even properly get myself ready after having to stop and help with shirt buttons, hair brushing, sibling disputes, etc.

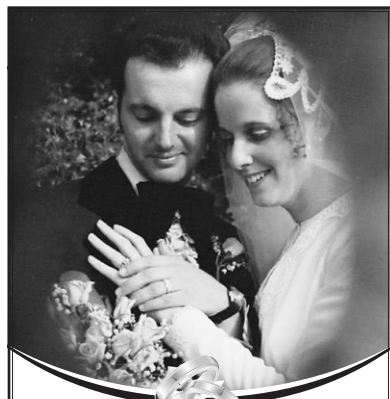
I admit, when we rolled into church I felt a little deflated that the day had been completely ordinary so far. I ventured downstairs to set up my Sunday School class while my husband and kids went to find seats.

I think God must have known I needed a special moment to lift my heart, and he delivered it to me then. As I was walking up the aisle to join my family, my son caught a glimpse of me approaching and his little face lit up. When I got closer he reached his hand out and grabbed mine, holding it tightly for

the rest of the service. As my daughter cuddled in on my other side, hugging my arm, I was struck by the magnitude of this awesome, life-long gift that I've been given; an amazing responsibility that goes far beyond just being "mom." They reach out to me and hold on for comfort, stability, unconditional love, protection, reassurance, encouragement and so much more.

We went on to have a great day celebrating motherhood with family and friends, but my favourite moment was the simple, seemingly effortless display of affection from my children.

Learning how to relish in the amazing ordinary is the best gift we mothers can give ourselves.



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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS: DESTROY NUISANCE WEEDS - GIANT HOGWEED

Giant Hogweed has been found in the Town of Halton Hills. This is a giant plant that looks like "Queen Anne's Lace" but is **Very Dangerous** to handle. If you find it, please do not touch it with your bare hands and keep children away

from it. Remove early in the growth season (April/May) to eliminate spread.

For further information on Giant Hogweed please visit www.ontarioinvasiveplants.ca.

Community Standards By-law 2008-0138 No. Part 3, Section 8 states "Property Owners are required to destroy and remove all nuisance weeds and weed seeds on their land."

For a list of nuisance weeds please refer to www.haltonhills.ca/bylaws. Any person who fails to destroy and remove all nuisance weeds and weed seeds is guilty of an offence. As a result, the Town of Halton Hills may enter upon your property to do the work required.

The Town may recover the costs of doing any work or matter by action and adding the costs to the tax roll and collecting it in a like manner as property tax.

Please note that dandelions, burdock and goldenrod are **NOT** considered nuisance weeds.



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NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS: DESTROY NOXIOUS WEEDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons in possession of land, in accordance with The Weed Control Act R.S.O. 1990, c. W.5., that unless weed seeds and noxious weeds growing on their lands within the Town of

Halton Hills are destroyed by **June 1, 2015** and throughout the season, the Town of Halton Hills may enter upon the said lands and have weeds destroyed, charging the costs against the land in taxes as set out in The Weed Control Act. The Town earnestly solicits co-operation of all property owners.

The purpose of the Weed Control Act is to reduce the impact of noxious weeds on land used for agricultural or horticultural purposes.

The Weed Control Act does not apply to noxious weeds or weed seeds on lands that are far enough away from any land used for agricultural purposes that they do not interfere with that use.

Please be advised that the list of Noxious Weeds has been revised to the following

- Black Dog-Strangling Vine
- Bull Thistle
- Canada Thistle
- Coltsfoot
- Common Barberry
- Common Crupina
- Cypress Spurge
- Dodder
- Dog-Strangling Vine
- European Buckthorn
- Giant Hogweed
- Jointed Goatgrass
- Knapweed
- Kudzu
- Leafy Spurge
- Poison Hemlock
- Poison Ivy
- Ragweed
- Serrated Tussock
- Smooth Bedstraw
- Sow Thistle
- Tansy Ragwort
- Wild Chervil
- Wild Parsnip
- Woolly Cupgrass

Please note that dandelions, burdock and goldenrod are **NOT** considered noxious weeds under The Weed Control Act.

Any concerns or inquiries should be directed to: Kelly Withers, Municipal Law Enforcement Coordinator 905 873-2601 ext. 2330

Dated at the Town of Halton Hills this 7th of May 2015. Suzanne Jones, Town Clerk 52



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