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The way we were



Flour tycoons

In this photo taken prior to 1907, members of the Lawson family stand in front of Lawson Flour Mill in Stewarttown. Four generations of Lawsons owned the mill, rebuilding after several fires over the years. The structure shown was destroyed by fire in 1907, and when the final mill burned down in 1972, a store was built on the spot.

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From our readers



YOUNGER GENERATION REMEMBERS

Ann Nokes snapped this photo of local cadets with MP Michael Chong, right before the Remembrance Day parade and ceremony in Georgetown on Sunday. From left, WO Liam Cooke, Sgt William Nokes, MP Michael Chong and Flt Sgt James Nokes.

Have a photo you want to share? Email — with details — to cgamble@theifp.ca.

Youth entrepreneur help and support offered at the Halton small business centre

Halton is committed to growing the Regional economy and we know that helping young people start businesses today will add to our success in the future. Global Entrepreneurship Week runs Nov. 15-21, and as part of the recognition of the week, the Halton Region Small Business Centre (SBC) wants to promote all of the different programs and services it has to offer youth looking to start or expand a small local business.

The Centre offers three programs for youth and young adults, each designed to offer training, mentoring and the potential for financial incentives.

There are also business planning and start-up resources available to assist youth who are applying for these programs.

The programs include: Futurpreneur Canada. The Halton Region Small Business Centre is the local community partner for Futurpreneur Canada, which is a national, non-profit organization that provides financing, mentoring and resources to aspiring business owners ages 18-39.

Starter Company: This entrepreneurship program is designed to help young people in Ontario between the ages of 18-29 start, grow or buy a small business. The program provides training, mentoring and an opportunity for a micro-grant of up to \$5,000 for eligible participants.

Summer Company: This program

offers business training and mentoring to enterprising students ages 15-29 to help them start and run their own summer business. Successful applicants receive up to \$1,500 in the spring to help with the start-up costs and an additional \$1,500 upon completion of their experience.

As an added feature during Global Entrepreneurship Week, the Centre will be holding a special youth networking event on Nov. 17. The event will be for youth who may be thinking about entrepreneurship or who are at the beginning of planning or starting a business.

It will feature past participants from the youth programs and provide opportunities for youth to meet with mentors.

Attendees will also learn more about what the centre has to offer and find the resources they need to get set up.

Halton's economy is strong and we are committed to keeping it strong for generations to come. The Halton Region Small Business Centre is proud to offer entrepreneurs of all ages the supports they need to be successful.

Find out more on SBC's newly revamped web pages by visiting haltonsmallbusiness.ca or dialing 311. You can also join the conversation on Twitter (@HaltonBusiness) or on Facebook (facebook.com/halton-business).

— Gary Carr is the chair of Halton Region



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