

HOW TO ENCOURAGE KIDS TO BE CHARITABLE

HERE ARE SOME WAYS TO INSPIRE THE GIVING SPIRIT, WRITES ARMSTRONG



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Column

Adam Doering is a strong believer in raising charitable children.

"I want my kids to know we're fortunate and there are a lot of people who are less fortunate," says the Burlington dad.

"I hope my wife and I can teach them really young that we have an obligation as human beings to help others if we can."

His young daughters sometimes accompany their parents to fundraising events, and last summer the girls sold snow cones in support of the Halton Learning Foundation.

According to surveys, up to 90 per cent of parents place importance on their children becoming charitable adults, but a much lower percentage of par-

ents actively teach kids to give.

If you're interested in instilling a sense of philanthropy in your children or grandchildren, but you're not sure how to go about it, here are a few ideas to get started:

Talk to kids about philanthropy. When you donate or volunteer for a charity yourself, be sure to share with your kids why you're doing it and who will benefit. This helps them appreciate that not everyone is physically, emotionally or financially secure. Parents who talk to their children about charitable giving significantly increase the likelihood that their children will give to charity.

Speak to their passion. Do your kids love animals? Are they passionate about the environment? Make them aware of age-appropriate opportunities to support the causes they care about through


fundraising or volunteering.

Make giving a habit. With the holiday season approaching, many kids' thoughts turn to things they want.

This can be an ideal time to remind them there are kids just like them who are less fortunate. Encourage them to choose a few of their own good toys that they no longer use and donate them to an appropriate organization, or teach them to set aside a portion of their weekly allowance for charity.

Build connections. If possible, have them make their donation in person. Handing over money or goods to an actual person reaffirms where the funds are going and is a great opportunity for kids to learn more about who their donation is helping and how.


Sherri Armstrong is the communications manager at the Halton Learning Foundation, which provides low-income students of the Halton District School Board with funds for school supplies, clothing and other basic items they require to be successful in learning. For more information, please visit: www.haltonlearningfoundation.ca.



NOTICE

2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday, November 14th, 2019 at 7pm
Mold Masters SportsPlex (Alcott Room)
(221 Guelph St., Georgetown)
 Welcome to all Members in Good Standing
If you have any questions please contact
HHMBA President Larry Fitzgerald at larry.fitzgerald@hhmba.ca



You are cordially invited to be the guest of

The Rotary Club of Georgetown

at their

65th Annual Norm Bigg Senior Citizens' Dinner

THURSDAY November 7th, 2019 at 6:00 pm


GEORGETOWN ALLIANCE CHURCH
290 Main Street South, Georgetown ON L7G 4T1

AGE LIMIT: 70 YEARS AND OLDER
 DUE TO SPACE LIMITATIONS, ONLY THE FIRST 275 SENIORS CAN BE ACCOMMODATED

YOU MUST CONTACT Rick Kritschgau
****to confirm your registration****
PLEASE CALL 289-344-0088

This Rotary-sponsored event is held annually to celebrate and show our community's appreciation for the seniors in our town. This is the 65th year that the Seniors' dinner has been held, and as a service club, provides one of the highlights of our year of community activities. As usual, we will be taking orders for Brandt Christmas hams at the dinner - the proceeds of which support our Rotary Club's international service projects.

Temporary Road Closure Due to Event - Georgetown & Glen Williams Remembrance Day Parades



Notice is hereby given in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and Town of Halton Hills By-law 2008-0020 regarding the following temporary road closure for the purpose of the following community event:

Glen Williams Remembrance Day Parade
 Main Street in Glen Williams between Glen Williams Public School and Confederation Street will be closed on Sunday, November 10, 2019 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Georgetown Remembrance Day Parade
 The following roads will be closed on Sunday, November 10, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

- Market Street between Mill Street and Church Street.
- Church Street between Market Street and Main Street.
- Main Street between Church Street and James Street.
- James Street between Main Street and Princess Anne Drive.

Georgetown Remembrance Day Parade
 The following roads will be closed on Monday, November 11, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

- Mill Street between Market Street and Charles Street.
- Charles Street between Mill Street and Princess Anne Drive.
- James Street between Princess Anne Drive and Draper Street.

If you require any additional information regarding this road closure, please contact the Recreation and Parks Department at 905-873-2601, ext. 2273.