

## HEAVY DUTY SUPPORT



Jessica Goyda photo

Wellington-Halton Hills MPP Ted Arnott cuts the ribbon on the new tractor for Sunrise Therapeutic Riding and Learning Centre as head instructor Camilla Giffen and rider Nicholaus Caine look on. The tractor was purchased thanks to a \$45,000 Resilient Communities Fund grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.



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## ... Lend Me Your Ears

### LOSS OF HEARING DUE TO NON-AGING FACTORS

Hearing loss due to aging can be compounded by other things. A few of these include noise exposure, disease and ear infections.

Hearing loss due to age and noise are cumulative. That is, hearing loss from noise exposure will be added on to hearing loss due to aging. Neither are medically correctable. There is something to be said for protecting the hearing we have left by wearing hearing protectors while doing shop work or target shooting.

Each of us reacts differently to hearing loss. We may totally or partially deny that a problem exists. Typical "denial" statements are "you're mumbling again", or "I was not paying attention" and can be a way of concealing hearing difficulties.

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