

Next week has been designated National Public Works Week, honoring the efforts of Public Works employees. Pictured above is Bert Benton who is a grader operator and a 19-year employee with the Town of Halton Hills. photo by Simon Wilson / HHTW

Public Works Week designated

Halton Region is celebrating National Public Works Week, May 16 to 22. A number of activities are planned throughout Halton during this week.

To begin, a kick-off celebration will be held today (Saturday) 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Petro Canada Park in Bronte. There will be displays, demonstrations and a guided nature walk along Bronte Creek Valley. Volunteers will participate in a valley cleanup to help protect the local environment. The Halton Region Conservation Authority will give guided tours of the valley and explain the significance of various elements found in the environmentally sensitive areas.

Also today, the Big Sisters Association will be participating in a litter control program in both Georgetown and Milton. This activity will take place on Trafalgar Road near Georgetown Works Yard and on Steeles Avenue in Milton between Ontario Street and Thompson Road.

Halton's new Landfill Site will be offering tours during Public Works Week. To arrange for a tour of this State of the Art facility located on Hwy 25, call Gerrit Buitenhuis, Environmental Inspector at the Landfill Site at 825-6000, ext. 8209.

To focus on the awareness of Public Works services, students from the elementary and secondary school level will be attending Halton Regional Centre where staff

will offer presentations. The program will show students how planning, building and operating Regional Public Works such as water, wastewater, roads and waste management affects their daily lives and helps to create the healthy communities that we enjoy in Halton.

During Public Works Week, a series of displays will be located throughout Halton Regional Centre to show the diversity and complexity of Public Works services.



Tooth Chatter
by
ALEX TRENTON,
Denture therapist

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Loose dentures on a resorbed jaw bone cause the distance between the nose and chin to become too short. As a result, the mouth and lip muscles sag, therefore causing the skin to become wrinkled and lined. The answer to this problem is either new dentures or "relining". If your dentures are under 5 years old, relining is probably the answer.

With relining, impressions are taken of the gums and bone as they are now. New plastic is added inside the dentures so they adapt to the new jaw contours. This makes the lips and cheeks fuller, therefore some of the wrinkles actually become "ironed out". It also makes the denture fit more snug to the gums, so that the denture becomes tighter.

Your gums are constantly changing and shrinking of the gums can create sharp ridges forming, because of the pressure of the denture. This can cause considerable discomfort, and can lead to permanent gum damage. Relining your denture is a quick, inexpensive way of giving you much needed comfort.

Your denture and mouth tissues should be checked once a year, as ill fitting dentures can lead to various health problems.

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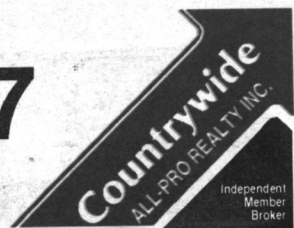


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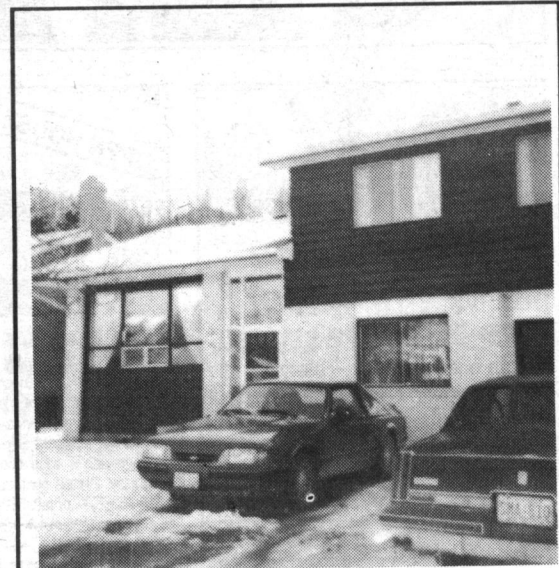
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