

H.I.E.C. partners to be honored Wednesday

Corporate and community partners of the Halton Industry Education Council will be honored at a first-

ever Partners Appreciation Event on Wednesday from 4-5:30 p.m. The event pays tribute to the 38 organizations that have collectively contributed over \$93,000 to the H.I.E.C. The H.I.E.C. provides a vital link between business, labor and education. Wednesday marks the 3rd anniversary of the founding of the council.

At the event, partners will receive recognition according to their level of giving. The 15 supporters under \$500 will be listed on a wall plaque, while the 23 partners at the \$500 (bronze), \$1,000 (silver), \$1,500 (gold) and \$2,500 (platinum) levels will receive certificates and have their name(s) inscribed on a new donor wall to be unveiled at the event.

Students are an important part of the event. The donor wall has been designed and produced by Georgetown District High School. Refreshments for the event will come from General Brock High School and music will be provided by Sheridan College. Students from the Halton Roman Catholic School Board, Halton Board of Education and Sheridan College will also provide a brief testimonial on how they've been helped by the Career Centre.

Special guest speaker for this recognition activity is Rick Spence, entrepreneurial expert and editor of "Profit", the Magazine for Canadian Entrepreneurs". His topic is "Partnership: The Emerging Business Tool" and his remarks will focus on the critical need for partnership in the rapidly changing workforce of the 90's.

Notes Pat Magowan, Chair of the committee organizing the event, and Vice-President of Human Resources at Boehringer Ingelheim (Canada) Ltd., a Platinum partner, "This event is a great way to recognize those organizations whose financial contributions have helped us make such a difference for students. A bonus for us is that because of the involvement of businesses and the community, this event will occur at virtually no cost."

The H.I.E.C. provides a critical forum for business, labor and education. Since March, 1992, the Career Centre at 5230 South Service Road, Burlington, has served over 7,400 people.

Pomeroy questions AMO structure

Halton needs a stronger and more effective voice to speak to the province, regional chairman Peter Pomeroy says.

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the official body which represents Ontario municipalities at the provincial negotiating table, isn't doing a good job for Halton, other regional governments and the larger municipalities, Pomeroy says.

"It's got to change, and if it doesn't start to change, then some of the members are going to start to leave."

In fact, Ottawa has already withdraw and is talking about forming a break-away organization to represent large municipalities.

Pomeroy says he and other regional chairmen aren't interested in quitting the AMO at this time.

"We're interested in making a stronger organization and having a single organization. We already have one, and that's AMO, and that's where we should be applying our efforts," he says. "But there are other



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large municipalities that feel breaking away and setting up another organization would be the way to go."

About 650 of Ontario's 800 municipalities belong to the AMO. This means it has to speak for all sizes of municipalities, from hamlets with only 10 or 15 people all the way to Metro Toronto.

"We are overwhelmed by the smaller municipalities who are scattered across Ontario and we think the structure is improper," Pomeroy says.

He plans to make a formal report about the AMO structure at the next administration and finance committee meeting.



Diane Monkhouse, who calls her woodcrafted toys "Timeless" was one of many vendors who were selling their crafts last Saturday at the 51st Annual Arts and Crafts of Georgetown Exhibition and Sale held at North Halton Golf and Country Club.

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