

North Halton Happenings

MAY 1

The Halton Hills Quilters Guild will meet at Centennial Middle School in Georgetown at 7:15 p.m. Info: Gerri Kunica, 905-878-3787.

MAY 3

Tredegar Orpheus Male Voice Choir, 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's United Church, 123 Main St. Milton. Contact Joyce Hayward 905-878-6790 or Carol Clarke 905-854-9828.

MAY 4

Canadian Federation of University Women - Milton and District, Panel Discussion on **Body Image**. Open Meeting at 8 p.m., Hugh Foster Hall. Regular meeting at 7:30. For information call 905-878-2421.

MAY 6

Local residents are organizing the **12th annual Keep It Green Day**. Help pick up the roadside litter along part of the Bruce Trail and area roads on the "Milton Mountain." Clean-up will start at 9 a.m. "Pick-up Central" is the corner of Bell School Line and Steeles Ave. Call Joe Yaworski at 905-878-3959 for details.

Volunteers are needed for a **Nassagaweya Rural Road Cleanup**. If you are willing to help clean a section of your road call Jean Woods at 905-854-2107 for details. This community project is organized by The Nassagaweya Community Consultation Committee.

20th annual Charity Breakfast sponsored by the Halton Sportsmen Club, 6 am to noon, 5155 Steeles Avenue, Milton. All proceeds to the Milton District Hospital.

MAY 7

United Church of Canada 75th Anniversary service and brunch at Eden Mills Community Hall, 10 a.m. A celebration of the founding of the United Church of Canada.

MAY 13

Plant & Compost Sale 8 am to noon at the Olde Hide House parking lot (corner of Eastern Ave. and Hwy 7, Acton). Wide variety of garden plants available by the Acton Horticultural Society. Pick up a few bags of Black Gold - rich compost from the City of Guelph - which will be sold by the Acton Agricultural Society for \$3 a bag or 4 for \$10.

MAY 17

Rockwood Gardening Club monthly meeting: *Growing Hostas* with John Kee, past president of the Hosta Society. Call Jan Osborne 856-4605 or Jean Martin 856-9001. 8 p.m., Rockwood Town Hall.

MAY 23

Ashgrove Women's Institute invites members and friends to hear Tim Ream of Pride Seeds discuss "Biotechnology in Agriculture," tracing the history and its application in genetically modified products. Hillcrest United Church, Trafalgar Road and 5 Side Road, 7 p.m. Light refreshments, 7:30 for speaker.

MAY 27

Rockwood United Church Junk Trunk Sale, Harris Street, Rockwood. From 9 am to 1 pm, all vendors welcome, from giftware to garage sale items. Baking and refreshments available. Tables \$10; call Sherol at 519-856-9298.

MAY 28

Halton Peel Branch of Ontario Genealogical Society meets at Chinguacousy Branch Library, lower level, 150 Central Park Dr., 2 p.m. Guest speaker Fawne Stratford Devai speaks on "Ontario Birth, Marriage and Death Records before 1869." Visitors welcome.

MAY 29

Halton Hills Quilters Guild meets at Centennial Middle School, Georgetown at 7:15 p.m. For information call Geri Kunica, 905-878-3787

MAY 30 TO JUNE 3

Used Book Sale at Rockwood Library, during regular library hours. Donations of saleable items gratefully accepted until May 27. Please call 519-856-4851 for details.

MAY 30

Sparrow Workshop: those little brown jobs at the Arboretum, U of Guelph, 9 am to 4 pm. Learn to identify and study 19 species of sparrows in Ontario. Information booklet and descriptive tape of song provided. \$45, registration and payment by May 15. Call 519-824-4120, ext. 4110.



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Recipe for a fun evening

BY DEBORAH QUAILE
THE COMPASS

A large and enthusiastic decorating crowd turned out for Lakeview Flooring & Kitchens' Room Recipes seminar during March. Featured speakers for the evening were Mary Dobson and Jane Lockhart.

Jane Lockhart is Manager of Design Communications for Benjamin Moore & Co., Limited in Toronto, and has established a reputation as an enthusiastic and knowledgeable authority on all aspects of colour, home design, finishing techniques and decorating. Her book, *Paint: A Great Impression* (published by Benjamin Moore) sold over 250,000 copies. Jane is also host of **One House, Two Looks** on Home and Garden Television, a series which presents contrasting solutions to identical design problems.

Mary Dobson is a featured presenter on **CityLine** and **Best of CityLine**, and co-author of the book, *Do-it-Yourself Projects from A to Z*, a presentation of home improvements. When Dobson changes the look of a home, she reaches for a sewing machine instead of a toolbox, and shares her knowledge as a private consultant and educator.

Lockhart and Dobson, along with assistant Jason Squires, made up a lighthearted team who obviously enjoyed their work. Their quick wit and enthusiasm swept the guests through the evening's three room styles and many accessory ideas.

"The whole idea was to take the work out of the decorating for you," Dobson related. "We tried to pick out the strongest current and upcoming trends. These are not hard and fast rules, but guidelines or ingredients to take some of the hard work out. You translate your style and centre it around something you like."

Inside Lockhart's newest book, *Room Recipes: Cooking Up Style with Color*, are 'recipe cards,' "Individual palettes with actual paint samples for true tones," added Lockhart. "First, pick something you like - a



THE RIGHT STUFF: (from left to right) Jason Squires, Mary Dobson and Jane Lockhart served up an evening of fun as they demonstrated the latest colours and techniques from Benjamin Moore's newest release, *Room Recipes: Cooking Up Style With Color* at the Acton Legion.

PHOTO BY DEBORAH QUAILE

colour or a style to work with; second, examine the architecture - look at the style of your home. Third is execution - go to it!"

Thanks to some rather drastic colour inventions in the 70's, like avocado green, harvest gold and chocolate brown appliances and bathroom fixtures, customers now look for items that are much easier to change, and as a result the palette of neutrals in decorating lines has widened. Some of today's most popular "neutrals" are forest green, navy, denim blue, burgundy, and a mustardy yellow. Cultural influences also make an impression on the neutral scene.

Lockhart and Dobson tried to break some decorating myths, urging the evening's participants to mix up techniques, add texture to a simple room, or try adding detail and dimension even if you want a room to feel simple and quiet.

"We don't have to have the same colour things if we don't want to," Lockhart commented, referring to the fact that baseboards can be different from crown moulding or window trim. "Every colour goes together if you put it together."

New Hornby Rate-Payers Association

BY DONNA DANIELLI
THE COMPASS

The Hornby Glen Golf Course was the site of the inception of the newly formed Hornby Association of Rate Payers (HARP) on March 29, 2000.

Approximately 45 are residents and Councillors Bonnette and Gastle were on hand for the inaugural meeting that started with an update on a recent Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) decision. The new sewer and water pipes that are being built as part of the "Big Pipe" coming up from Oakville were only going to be accessible to people south of Steeles Avenue. Hornby resident James Snow submitted an appeal

to the OMB last summer. When asked why, Mr. Snow said "I've lived here for forty years, I'm interested in the community and when I saw something being done that I didn't think was fair, I took the initiative to put in an appeal."

On December 1, the OMB heard the appeal and quickly granted it. The Region then agreed to change their requirements so that property owners with frontage on the north side of Steeles would be able to, under the Public Utilities Act, hook up to the water and sewer mains. This will help to enable develop-

ment north of Steeles Avenue, not limiting it to just the 40 corridor flanked north and south by Steeles and the 401, and east and west by Winston Churchill Drive and James Snow Parkway.

Councillors Bonnette and Gastle both prepared presentations and took questions from the residents. They also spoke of the Town of Halton Hills' intention to look at Hornby's designation as a Hamlet during the Official Plan Review within the next two years. Hornby is currently designated as a rural cluster. As a Hamlet, Hornby could be serviced with sewer and water mains. Homeowners on Sixth Line, Eighth Line, Hornby Road and Trafalgar Road would then be able to pay to have lines connected into the Big Pipe.

The meeting concluded with six directors being chosen by the area residents as the association's executive. These six individuals, James Snow, Erik Kowal, Barbara Dixon, Ken Lawday, David Powell, and Einar Voldner, will meet soon to vote on positions of office and develop the terms of reference.

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