



*From the
Office of the Mayor*
Kathy Gastle

With the number of collisions on Regional roads soaring from 2.12 per thousand residents in 1998 to 3.67 per thousand in the year 2000, both the Halton Region Police and Halton Regional Council are moving to improve our roads and their safety records - the Police with a crack-down on speeders and the Council with an ongoing Action Plan. The Police action was instituted after liaison with the Acton, Georgetown, and Rural Community Consultation Committees and aims to moderate driving habits, while the Council action is geared to improve the roads themselves by screening our by-laws, assessing their safety, and correcting any flaws that are found.

Regional staff will now proceed with a Road Operation Safety Assessment and Road Design Safety Audit of 11 locations which have been identified in a Safety Improvement Index Measures System. With the Plan

underway and the required resources and commitment from Regional Council, Halton residents can be assured of improved and safer roads in the future.

Last year more than 450,000 secondary and post-secondary students found summer jobs through the Human Resources Centre of Canada for Students, part of the Government of Canada's youth employment strategy. If you're a student or a potential employer please take advantage of the information provided by Employment Officers at the Halton Hills Resource Centre for Students at 232A Guelph St.

I must compliment our young citizens, so many of whom are preparing themselves to be leaders in our community through organizations such as St. John Ambulance, the Girl Guides of Canada, the Boy Scouts of Canada, the Army and Air Cadet Leagues, the Ukrainian Youth Association of Canada, the Young Halton/Peel Naturalists, and the Mayor's Youth

Action Committee. I am proud of your accomplishments and know each of you will continue with your outstanding achievements.

I would also like to acknowledge the many individuals including residents, community groups, Council Members and staff who assisted with our Walking and Cycling Trails Millennium Project. Later this summer they will be part of the launch of the new logo and trail-blazing symbols for our long awaited trail linkage which will run from Norval Community Park and Willow Park Ecology Centre north through Hungry Hollow. To the 540 people who signed the guest book and to those unable to attend the June 7 Year of the Volunteers 2001 Recognition Reception, a thank you for helping to make our community the wonderful place in which we all want to live. The Organizing Committee transformed the Civic Centre with trees, shrubs, and flowers loaned by Sheridan Nurseries and Butt's Farm; Lou Darcie provided piano music, Judith Irwin piped in the Officials; and representatives of the Air Cadets, Georgetown B.I.A., Cogeco Cable, the Independent & Free Press and the Acton Tanner all helped to make this event a resounding success.

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I am confident that each thoughtful reader can come up with many of her or his own.

We seem more inspired by a beer ad ("I am Canadian") than by the real actions necessary to preserve our once beautiful and rela-

tively just country.

If we do not wake up and act as responsible stewards of this land, we will deserve what happens to us. However, our children and grandchildren will be innocent victims.

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Halton Hills
Communities in Bloom

We are pleased to be entering this year's 2001 Communities in Bloom competition on a Town-wide basis. We hope you can participate by volunteering to assist the staff and Councillors who are planning to make this year's entry a great success! We plan to showcase many of the existing beautiful areas within the Town, but you could help by making your property bloom on judging day.

Tuesday August 14, 2001

- * town wide cleanup August 13, 2001
- * decorate your rural mailbox
- * add window boxes
- * help with the tour events and BBQ

We're excited to have volunteers on board! Please call if you'd like to join the effort.



For further information please contact:
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Communities in Bloom Tour map
August 14, 2001

SHOWCASED SITES		SHOWCASED STREETS		
HALTON HILLS CIVIC CENTRE	ACTON ARCHA	IN ACTON:	IN GEORGETOWN:	IN GLEN WILLIAMS:
NORTH HALTON GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB	HALTON HILLS HYDRO LAURA DIETRICH GARDENS	QUEEN STREET	HALTON HILLS DRIVE	MAIN STREET
REMEMBRANCE PARK	ACTON ROTARY PARK	MILL STREET	MAPLE AVENUE	CONFEDERATION STREET
MAIN STREET DIA	DIA MURAL AND PARKETTE	RIVER STREET	CHARLES STREET	WILDWOOD ROAD
CULTURAL CENTRE	FAIRY LAKE DAM	ALICE STREET	JAMES STREET	OAK RIDGE DRIVE
CEDARVALE PARK	LEGION TERRACE APARTMENTS	ELGIN STREET	MARKET STREET	PARK AVENUE
FRIENDS OF THE OLD SEED HOUSE GARDEN	BLUE SPRINGS GOLF CLUB	BOWER STREET	MAIN STREET	MOUNTAINVIEW ROAD N
CREDIT VALLEY CONSERVATION SILVER CREEK	ANDREWS SCENIC ACRES	ELIZABETH DRIVE	MOUNTAINVIEW ROAD N	ARGYLE ROAD
BRUCE TRAIL	STEWARTS MILL DEVELOPMENT	BIRCHWAY PLACE	ARGYLE ROAD	HIGHWAY 7
ONTARIO STREET PLANTING BED WATCHTOWER	GEORGETOWN SOUTH COMMUNITY PARK	WILLOW STREET	WILLOW STREET	ADAMSON STREET
LIMEHOUSE COMMUNITY HALL	MCKNAB PARK			10th SIDE ROAD
	LUCY MAUD MONTGOMERY GARDENS			
	WILLOW PARK			