## Japanese Sensei visits Halton Hills

The Georgetown Aikido club hosted a high ranking Shioda Sensei, son of Gozo Shioda the founder of Yoshinkan Aikido, last Saturday May 7. A demonstration in his honour took place that day at the Georgetown Memorial Arena on 42 Mill Street where masters of the art displayed their skills for Shioda Sensei



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### Halton District School Board

A Celebration of Student Excellence 2005
Danielle Blair, Grade 11, Gary Allan High School

"Danielle is a leader who has initiated projects to benefit families in the community, is a peer tutor, served on the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council in Halton Hills, and will be participating in a youth outreach project in Costa Rica. She is a shining example of excellence in academics, leadership and community service. Danielle exemplifies the spirit of determination embodied in the school motto of "whatever it takes."



#### Schedule of Events:

Friday May 20th

11:00 am • Canadian National Heavy Armour Jousting Championship (School Special Price) • Conklin Supershows Midway

Saturday May 21st & Sunday May 22nd
• Conklin Supershows Midway • Pony rides
2:00PM • Canadian National Heavy Armour
Jousting Championship

Monday May 23rd

- Conklin Supershows Midway
   Pony rides
- · Classic Car & Tractor show
- 2:00PM Final Competition Canadian
- National Heavy Armour Jousting Championship

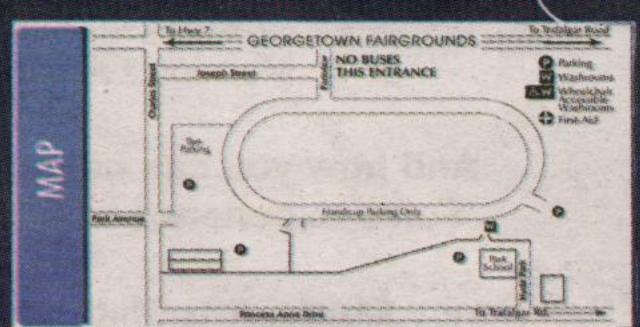
Parking Available at the Civic Centre and Main St. Municipal

Sponsored by the Halton Compass

#### PARK OPENS DAILY AT: 10:00AM

ADMISSION PRICES

Jousting Fireworks (Monday night after 6:00 PM)
Child \$10.00 Adults & Children \$5.00
Adult \$15.00 Family of 6 \$20.00



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Halton Hills Synchro Night at the Movies

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Halton Hills Synchro proudly presented "Saturday Night at the Movies" last Saturday May 7th at the Georgetown Indoor Pool. Swimmers from Halton Hills and Milton splashed out their routines set to music from popular movies. Halton Hills Synchro is known for being a club run by volunteers and currently holds forty members.

# Trial and Error Mock trial competition

BY ANN KORNUTA

Students in Halton Region had a chance to play devil's advocate (and prosecutor) in an exciting Mock Trial Competition held on Thursday May 5th at the Milton Court House. Schools from around the Halton area got involved in this battle for justice, set in real court-rooms, presided over by real judges. The program not only gives these students a chance to act out their skills as lawyers, but it gives them a better understanding on how the justice system works in Canada.

Kim Wilson, the law teacher at Robert Bateman High School in Burlington, organized the event. "A couple of years ago I saw Justice Foresight's picture in the paper and that the Halton Catholic School Board was doing a mock trial. I called the head of Social Science

Board and suggested the Halton School Board have their own," Kim said.

For two years now, schools across the Halton region have been meeting in the Milton Court House to act out in their own cases and get a feel for real courtrooms. This second year saw a joining of both the Catholic and Halton School Boards to provide an all out competition between eight schools. Students learn more than just law. "The thing they really get from this is how to think on your feet and the amount of hours a lawyer must go through to prepare for a trial," Kim said. "These teams have been working for months on this and every day this week. They get an idea of the hours that lawyers work and what you see in court is a very small portion of it."

A student at Robert Bateman High School in Burlington Kara Saltmarsh, who competed in the mock trial, commented that preparing for this opportunity took hours in and out of class time with her teammates Nick Loynyk and Alexis Bibic. "We had to research the cases on our own time and we had to really know our people and study the law to prepare for this," Kara explained. "We were presented with the cases five months ago and we have been practicing ever since."

Eight schools in the Halton Region competed. Taking home the award this year was the Assumption High School team from Burlington.



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The winners of this year's 2005 Halton Region Mock Trial competition was Assumption High School. Standing from left are The Honourable Justice Foresight with students Emily Boudreau, Jessica Lasocka, Claire Schiller, Nicole Mastroieni, Andrew Rezitnyk, Jenn Deneault, and Department head Anthony Cordeivo. Not pictured are team mates Lyndsey Canham and coach Mr. Canham.