

## Milton Town Hall receives lukewarm reception...

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building itself was in rough shape. Residents however, noted that for those who have lived in the community all their lives, it would be difficult to see the houses moved or torn down and the streetscape changed so dramatically.

Some participants wondered why town staff needed to be located under the same roof.

Brian Penman, Milton councillor, Ward 1, pointed out that the town already has land at the current town hall location and that it would need to be purchased if the expansion was to take place elsewhere.

Other observations on the issue pointed out that during previous planning decisions, the public had indicated a wish to

keep a civic presence in the downtown core.

"You take the heart out of this building and you'll lose something," remarked Mark Curtis, Milton councillor, Ward 2.

When it came to parking spaces, which may be underground ones, many of those in attendance felt that the planned number of 150 spots was inadequate given the increased population numbers expected that may result in more staff.

"It's difficult to determine the appropriate amount of parking," said Penman.

There will be another open house on October 5 that will provide further opportunity for comment on a proposed design and a budget for the project that is slated to begin late in the spring of 2006.

For more info go to [www.milton.ca](http://www.milton.ca).

## the mayor's column



On September 30th our CAO, Bob Austin, will be retiring. Bob started working for the Town of Halton Hills in 1994. He served our community as Town Engineer for most of his career. Two and one-half years ago, Bob was appointed the Town's Acting CAO, and then shortly after that, the position was made permanent. Bob has a work ethic that is second to none. His straightforwardness, common sense, and low-key approach is admired by staff, municipal peers, Council, and the public. On behalf of Council and staff, we wish Bob and his wife Mary Anne a very well deserved, happy retirement. Remember Bob; hit 'em long and straight! We'll miss you.

On October 1st, Dennis Perlin will be taking over the helm as our new Chief Administrative Officer. Dennis brings over 30 years municipal experience to Halton Hills. He is very familiar with our town. Dennis was once CAO of Halton Region, from 1980 to 1986, before he accepted a job as Chief Solicitor for the City of Toronto. It was during his stay in Halton Region that I first became acquainted with Dennis. It was a turbulent time at Halton Region with the Halton Landfill Site Selection, financial issues, and of course, parochialism between the four municipalities which make up Halton. Dennis steered a steady ship. When you meet him, you will see a very enthusiastic and personable fellow. Dennis will have an understanding of the many challenges facing our municipality.

Kids are back to school. Please be mindful when driving. Remember, you

can be fined up to \$2,000 for passing a school bus while the lights are flashing.

Over the past year, there have been excellent stories of courageous Halton Hills residents who have been given a new life because of organ transplants. We have a young lady who I personally know that had a double lung transplant, and two gentlemen, one has had a heart transplant, and the other a kidney transplant. They are all alive today because of the Organ Donor Program. Remember, you can save a life by filling out a donor card.

On behalf of Council, Congratulations are extended to the Royal Canadian Legion, Acton Branch 197 Ladies Auxiliary, on the 60th Anniversary of their Charter, granted on September 11, 1945.

I am pleased to announce, on behalf of Council, that under the Pavement Management Plan, road work on nine streets in Georgetown will be completed in 2005. This is the first year for the Pavement Management Plan where 2% of your property taxes is being allocated for upgrades. Next year, streets in Acton will be designated for improvements under the Plan.

Council welcomes the following new business in Georgetown:  
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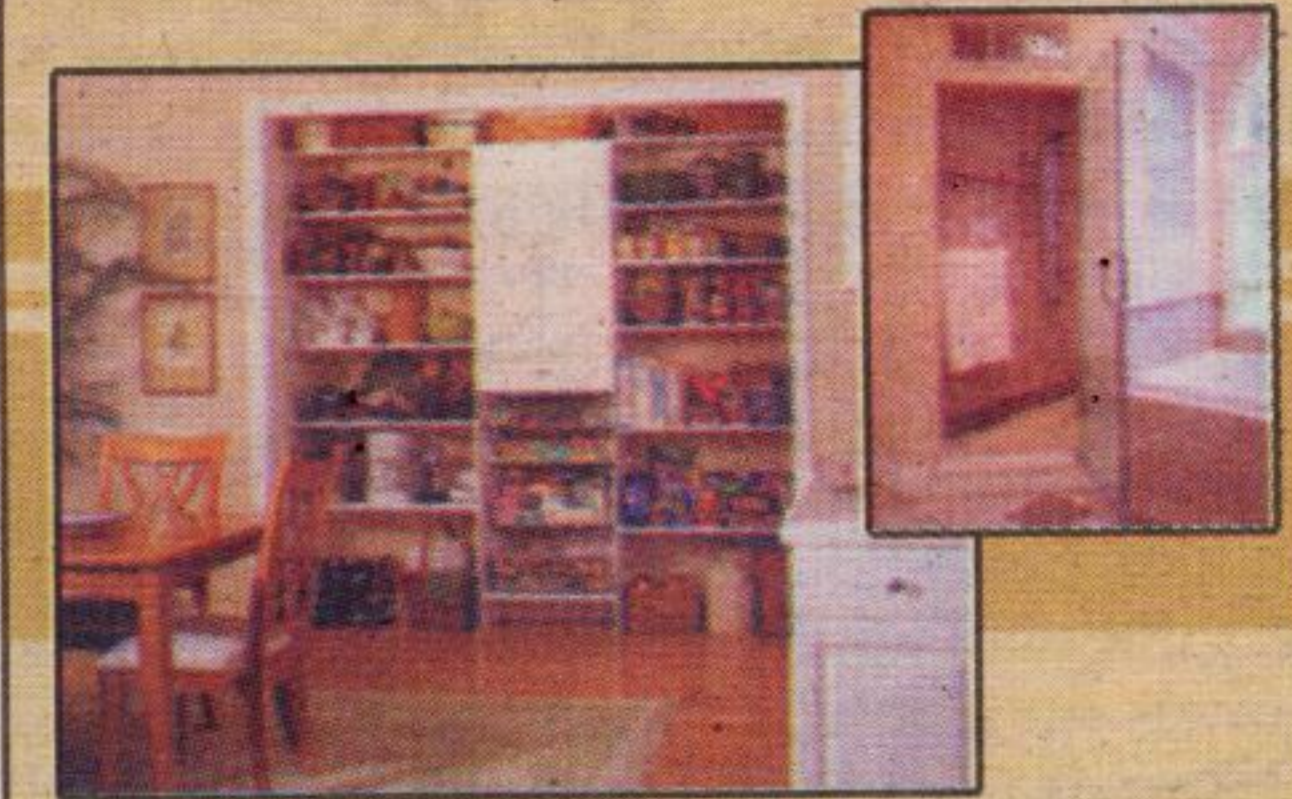
## Kitchen & Bath Design Trends For The Next Five Years.

### Not Bigger, But Better.

Given a choice between greater space or higher-quality features, home buyers are selecting the latter choice, reinforcing a consumer trend toward facilities that involve the Kitchen or Bath. New homebuyers are willing to sacrifice space for a wealth of upscale facilities.

**• Top features for the Kitchen are...**  
Walk-in pantry, island work area, special-use storage, and built-in microwaves. Kitchens visually open to the family room, either a half wall or completely open.

**• Top features for the bath are...**  
Most desired features include a linen closet, exhaust fan, and separate shower enclosure.



Top trends seems to be growing popularity for low-maintenance, natural materials, open space, quality features, technology and special purpose rooms. An up-and-coming trend in the higher end market is the addition of "flex" or "bonus" rooms situated above garages.

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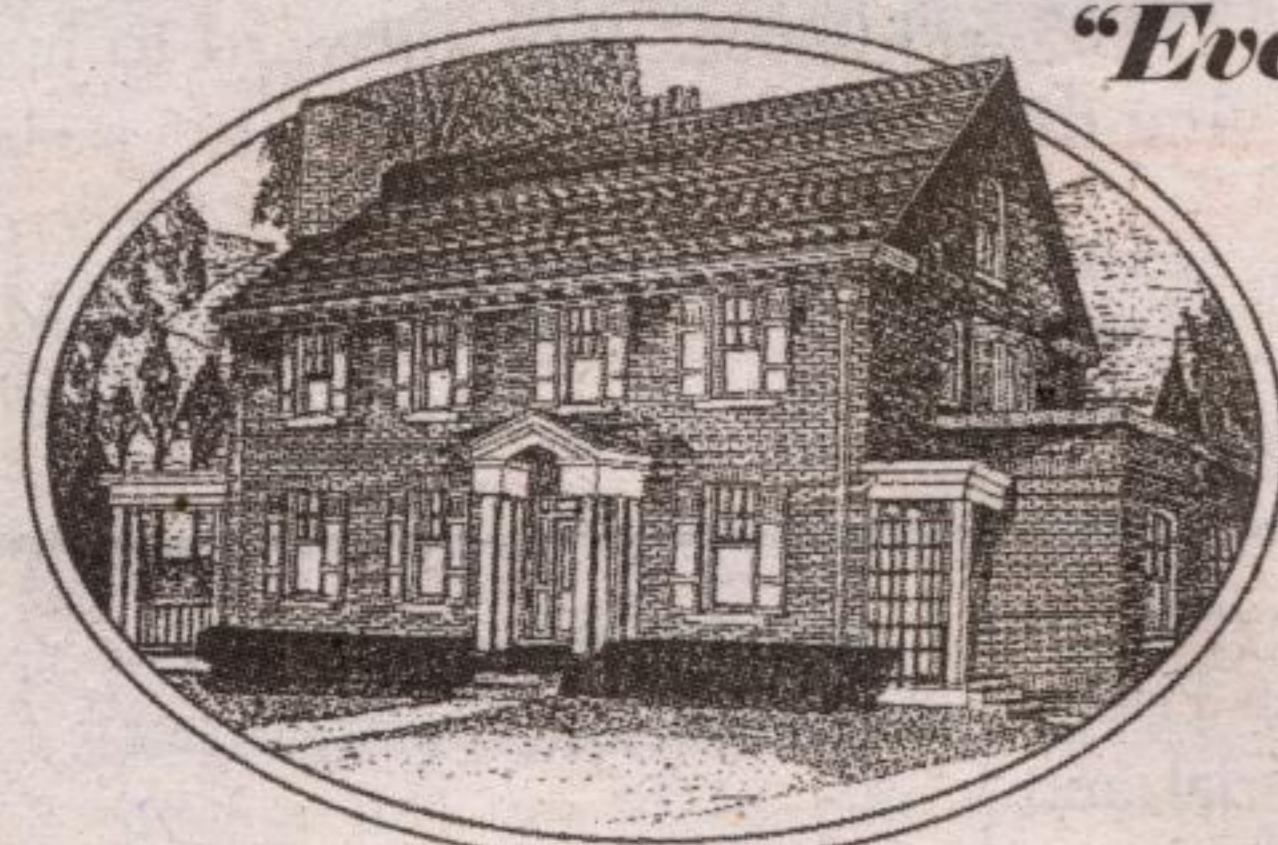
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### To the Residents of Milton and surrounding communities:

We wish to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves as the new owners of J. Scott Early Funeral Home. "We" are Kim and Rebecca Hunter, both licensed Funeral Directors and very pleased to have moved to Milton.

Several months ago, we began communicating with Michelle when she realized that she would need to pass the flame from the Early family to another family in order to carry on the tradition of funeral service they were so respected for.

We are honoured to be that family, and as such we will keep the J. Scott Early name attached to the funeral home. Our aim is to serve the families of this area with the same level of professionalism and care that the Earlys were known for.

You are more than welcome to stop by for a visit and introduce yourself... our family, that is ourselves and our seven year old son, Jake, are living on premises and look forward to becoming an active part of the Milton Community.



**Kim & Rebecca Hunter**