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Milton District Hospital Receives Approval for a New CT Scanner

Before the end of next year residents of Milton will no longer have to leave their community to receive Computed Tomography (CT) scanning services. Officials at Halton Healthcare Services (HHS) received confirmation this week that the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) has approved the purchase and operation of a CT scanner for its Milton District Hospital (MDH) site.

"CT is one of the best tools for studying the chest, the brain and the abdomen. By interpreting CT scans, we can more easily diagnose cancers, cardiovascular disease and traumas" explains Dr. Eric Engmann, a radiologist at MDH. "CT scanning allows us to obtain images from different angles around the body," continues Merla Johnstone, Manager of the MDH Diagnostic Imaging Department. "Because CT scans are so specific, this technology will assist physicians in diagnosing and treating injuries and illnesses that are not always visible through general x-rays."

Residents of Milton currently access advanced diagnostic services such as CT Scans and MRIs at Halton Healthcare's Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital (OTMH) site. Last year, 600 in-patients and ER patients were transferred to OTMH for CT scans.

The CT scanner is estimated to cost a total of \$3,000,000. This includes the equipment purchase price and the cost of the renovations required to the MDH facility to house the unit. The new CT scanner will be a welcomed addition to the range of Diagnostic Imaging services currently offered at MDH.

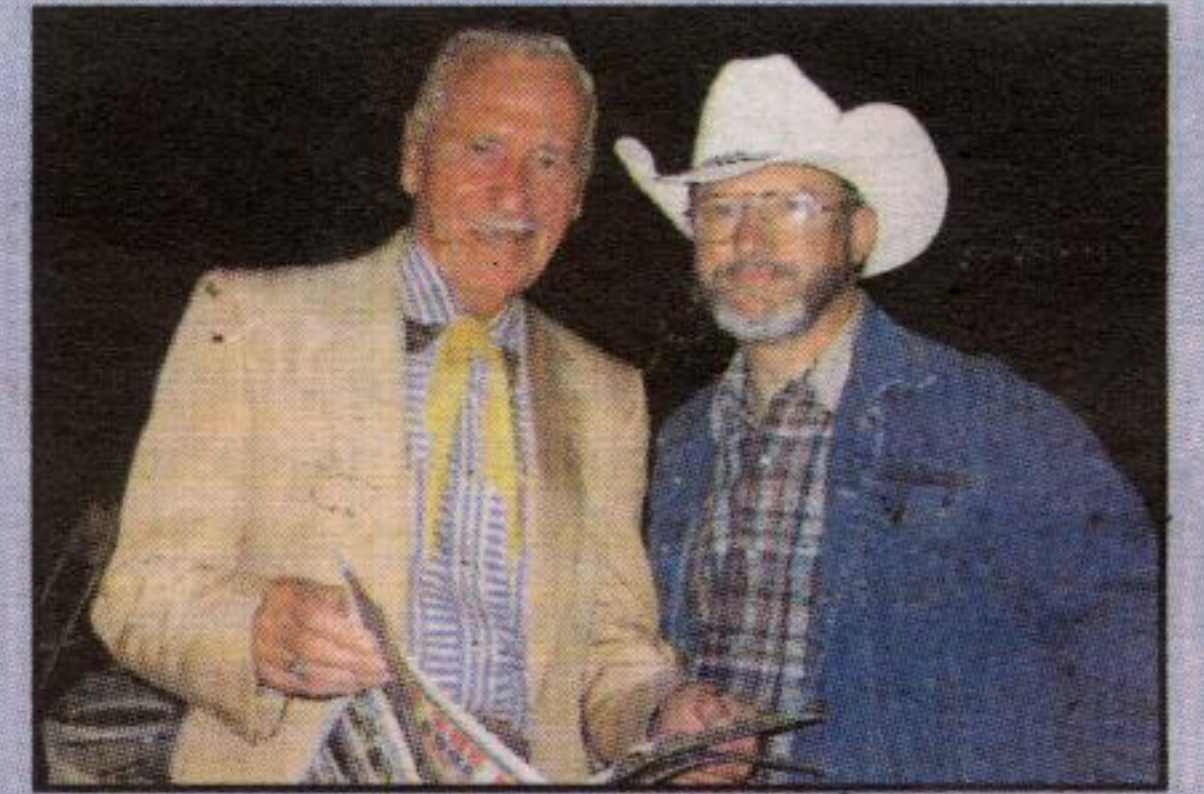
Living Healthy Seminars

Thursday, October 27th
Understanding Depression
With Dr. K. O'Sullivan, Psychiatrist
South Side Community Church
2850 Derry Road East, Milton

To reserve your seat or to receive a copy of the free Living Healthy calendar, please contact Evelyn Little at 905-845-2571, ext. 6147 or elittle@haltonhealthcare.on.ca. You may also view a copy of the calendar on-line at www.haltonhealthcare.com.

Meet our Sponsors...

Mr. Stephen Baker is the newest sponsor of the Monitor page. Stephen is the owner/publisher of The Halton Compass, a newspaper read and enjoyed by the community of Halton. He was born in Cheltenham, England, and spent his childhood in Singapore. Stephen, and his family moved to Ontario in 1976. He retired from a successful banking career and became a landowner. Stephen purchased The Halton Compass in 2004 and serves on many committees, including the Milton District Hospital Foundation.
Stephen, thank you for your outstanding generosity!



L to R: Gordie Tapp, Blazing Saddles Emcee & Stephen Baker, MDH Foundation Board Member and Publisher of The Halton Compass.

BLAZING SADDLES was a blazing success and raised \$80,000 for the Milton District Hospital. Proceeds will be used to fund a steam sterilizer for the Central Service Distribution Unit at MDH. The success of this fundraiser was due to the outstanding support of sponsors, volunteers and guests. A full list of thank you's will appear in an upcoming issue of the Halton Compass.

PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE...
A **Wills, Estate & Tax Planning Seminar** will be jointly held with the **United Way of Milton** on **October 5th, 2005** at 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. The informative evening will be held at Hugh Foster Hall in Milton. Speakers include **Helena Donaldson** of **The Donaldson Financial Group Inc.**, **Douglas Francis**, of **Padgett Business Services** and well-know lawyer, **Lorne Greenwood**. Attendance is limited so reserve your space early. Call the Foundation Office at 905-876-7014 or the United Way at 905-875-2550.

Celebrating Our 25th Anniversary

Auxiliary

Christmas is chock full of traditions - cranberries and turkey, the sounds of Christmas carols, and the MDH Auxiliary Gift Fair and Luncheon. The special day will be held at the hospital on Saturday, November 12th between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Claus will be visiting, and they are sure to bring smiles to faces of all ages. Many vendors will be showcasing their wares. Watch for specials in the gift shop, door prizes, plant and bake sales, and assorted raffles. A delicious luncheon will be available. Remember parking is FREE!

The Auxiliary is actively looking for volunteers. If you have a few hours a week or month to spare please contact the hospital switchboard at 905-878-2383 and ask for extension 7710. Leave a message, and we'll call you right back.

We would like to thank our sponsors for their wonderful support and generosity.



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