

ROCKWOOD is securely plugged in.

Rockwood residents can count on reliable electrical service from the Wellington Electric Distribution Company in the coming deregulated market.

The Wellington Electric Distribution Company is a new company created specifically to ensure that Rockwood residents receive highest quality electrical distribution service in the new electricity market.

Part of a new local family of companies

Wellington Electric Distribution Company is part of a new family of utility companies launched by Guelph Hydro Inc. Wellington Electric Distribution Company, a utility created through a merger between Guelph Hydro Inc. and Guelph-Eramosa HEC (formerly Rockwood Hydro), will continue to deliver electricity, maintain the lines to homes and businesses, provide 24-hour emergency service and ensure that the system meets Rockwood's growing needs.

Guelph Hydro Inc. was established in response to the deregulation of the electricity market mandated by provincial legislation.

The Energy Competition Act will create a competitive market for electricity next year. This legislation has also allowed municipalities to convert their hydro commissions into separate business corporations under the Ontario Business Corporations Act.

In our area, Guelph Hydro (the Board of Light and Heat Commissioners) has been transformed into Guelph Hydro Inc. and four operating companies, one of which is Wellington Electric Distribution Company.

The others are:

Guelph Hydro Electric Systems – Guelph's electricity distribution company.

Selectpower - a retail company that will offer energy-related services, including the retailing of electricity (as distinct from delivery - the role of Guelph Hydro Electric Systems and Wellington Electric Distribution Company).

FibreWired by Guelph Hydro – Guelph's foothold in the fibre optic revolution. FibreWired provides high-speed data, voice and video telecommunications services to local businesses and organizations through its extensive fibre optic system and association with the Ontario-wide FibreWired Network.



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For more information,
phone Wellington Electric Distribution Company at
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Watch for information pamphlets coming with future invoices.



FLU FIGHTING TEAM: Members of the team working to beat the flu through this year's free Influenza Immunization Clinic are front row from the left: Adrienne Brown of Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital and Patricia Carlton of Halton Healthcare Services Corporation. Standing from the left are Ann O'Hara of ParaMed Home Health Care, Chris Jewell of Halton Catholic District School Board, Dawn Dunn of the William Osler Health Centre, Susan Hall of Halton Healthcare Services Corporation, Mary Anne Carson of Halton Region Health Department, Helaine Ortman of Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital, Kathy Blake of Halton Region Health Department, Mark Pajot of Halton Region Health Department and Peter Willmott of Halton Region Health Department. - Photo supplied

Residents invited to visit free clinic for flu shots

Area residents are invited to attend a free Influenza Immunization Clinic at the Acton High School cafeteria from 3 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 12.

Appointments for the clinic are not necessary.

The clinic is one of several throughout Halton set up by Halton Region in cooperation with public and private sector employers to bring the new Universal Influenza Immunization Program to everyone. Since the flu accounts for many workdays lost to illness, many local businesses are in-

cluding community nurses to immunize their employees.

Long term care facilities and hospitals are working hard to immunize their staff and patients while Halton school boards have opened their doors for immunization clinics in an effort to reduce the carrying of the illness into homes.

This year the shots are free for all Ontario residents over the age of six months.

Influenza, commonly called the flu, is caused by a virus that can give you a

cough, fever, headache and muscle ache. It usually lasts five to 10 days although the cough and weakness can last up to several weeks.

Healthy kids have up to 20 per cent chance of getting the flu each year and about one per cent of them land in hospital.

Kids in school and child-care setting are the main carriers of the flu in the community and are the ones most likely to bring the virus home. While adults spread the virus for only a few days after infection, young children can spread it for 10 days to two weeks after infection.

You cannot get the flu from the vaccine. It protects 70 to 90 per cent of healthy adults and gives kids 70 per cent protection from flu induced fevers.

While you may still get the flu despite the vaccine, it won't make you as ill and you are less likely to get complications.

Serious reactions to the vaccine are rare.

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