

GRAPEVINE



Beach safe again

The old beach in Prospect Park is safe for swimming again, according to the Halton Region Health Department, which tests recreational water on a weekly basis throughout the Region. Sampling done on Wednesday, September 4 revealed the old beach was again safe for swimming after being declared unsafe the previous week. The Boat-house beach, however, continues to be unsafe for swimming due to high bacterial levels.

English classes

Newcomers to Canada can take advantage of free adult English classes (with computers) being funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada. Fall registrations for Language Instruction for newcomers to Canada (LINC) levels 1-5 are being offered in both Halton Hills and Milton. There is no fee and those who cannot attend regular LINC lessons can take advantage of a home study program. Deaf or hard of hearing persons are welcome. For more information people from Halton Hills or Milton should call (905) 875-3851 or visit the website at www.linepeelhalton.com.

Having a ball

Tickets for the United Way of Halton Hills' Presidents' Ball and Silent Auction are almost all sold out, so if you want to attend call 905-877-3066 soon. The Ball is being held at the North Halton Golf & Country Club on Friday, September 20. Tickets are \$50 each and they'll entitle the bearer to dinner and dancing as well as participation in the silent auction. Music is provided by Dreams Entertainment.

Rad Rally soon

Youth Pastor Willy van Arragon is reminding the youth of Acton and area that the next Rad Rally Youth Service is being held on Sunday, October 6 at Trinity United Church, Acton, at 7pm. Speaker for the rally is David Overholt from the Church on the Rock. The service is geared to the teens and '20s age group but all ages are welcome.

Police not answer...

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themselves, to minimize the anger and consequently the vandalism and of the young.

Being a youth is the time to express individuality, experiment with limits and boundaries, take risks, it is a time to get to know yourself. The future is now - times have changed and youth have, too. We need to listen to the youth to find solutions to the problems we as a community are facing. It is not one youth or one families problem - it is all of our responsibility to meet the needs of the young. After all, they will be the ones to take care of our

There's no admission charge and refreshments will be served.

'Touched by Angels'

Honeywell employee Caitlin Ingles of Acton began making beaded Stars and Stripes angel pins in honour of lives lost in the September 11 disaster in New York City. Word spread throughout the place and local orders for the angels flew in. All of Caitlin's profits of \$2 per pin - matched by a donation from her parents - added up to \$200 for the American Red Cross Disaster Relief fund. Honeywell is acknowledging Canadian initiatives that employees undertook to support the people involved in 9/11, former Acton resident and Honeywell employee Eric Elstone e-mails, and Caitlin's contribution is one that'll be acknowledged.

Horticultural general

After a busy spring and summer preparing for the Communities in Bloom competition, members of the Acton Horticultural Society are starting their monthly general meetings again on Tuesday, September 17, 7:30pm at Knox Church hall, 44 Knox St.

Activities will include registration, a review of summer projects and an update on Communities in Bloom which society president, the indefatigable Max MacSween, says will make an interesting and enjoyable meeting. Everyone's welcome.

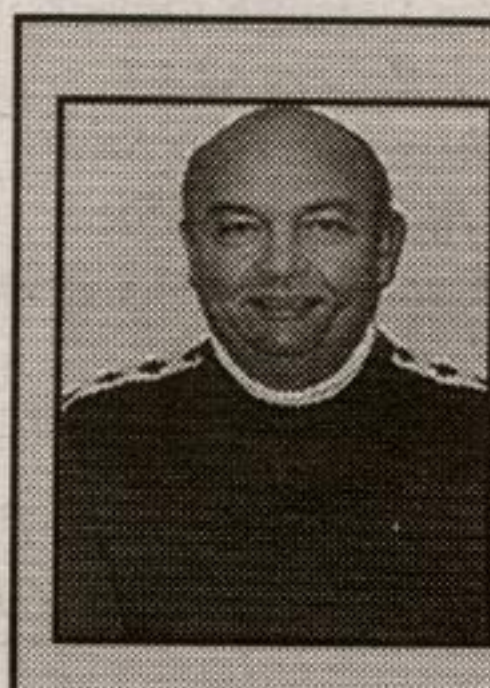
JAH Golf Classic

Junior Achievement of Halton (JAH) is inviting golfers and JAH supporters to their annual Halton Golf Classic on September 17 at Granite Ridge Golf Club, near Milton. There's going to be "some great golf, skill testing contests, dinner and plenty of prizes, all in support of youth across Halton Region who benefit from JAH business programs.

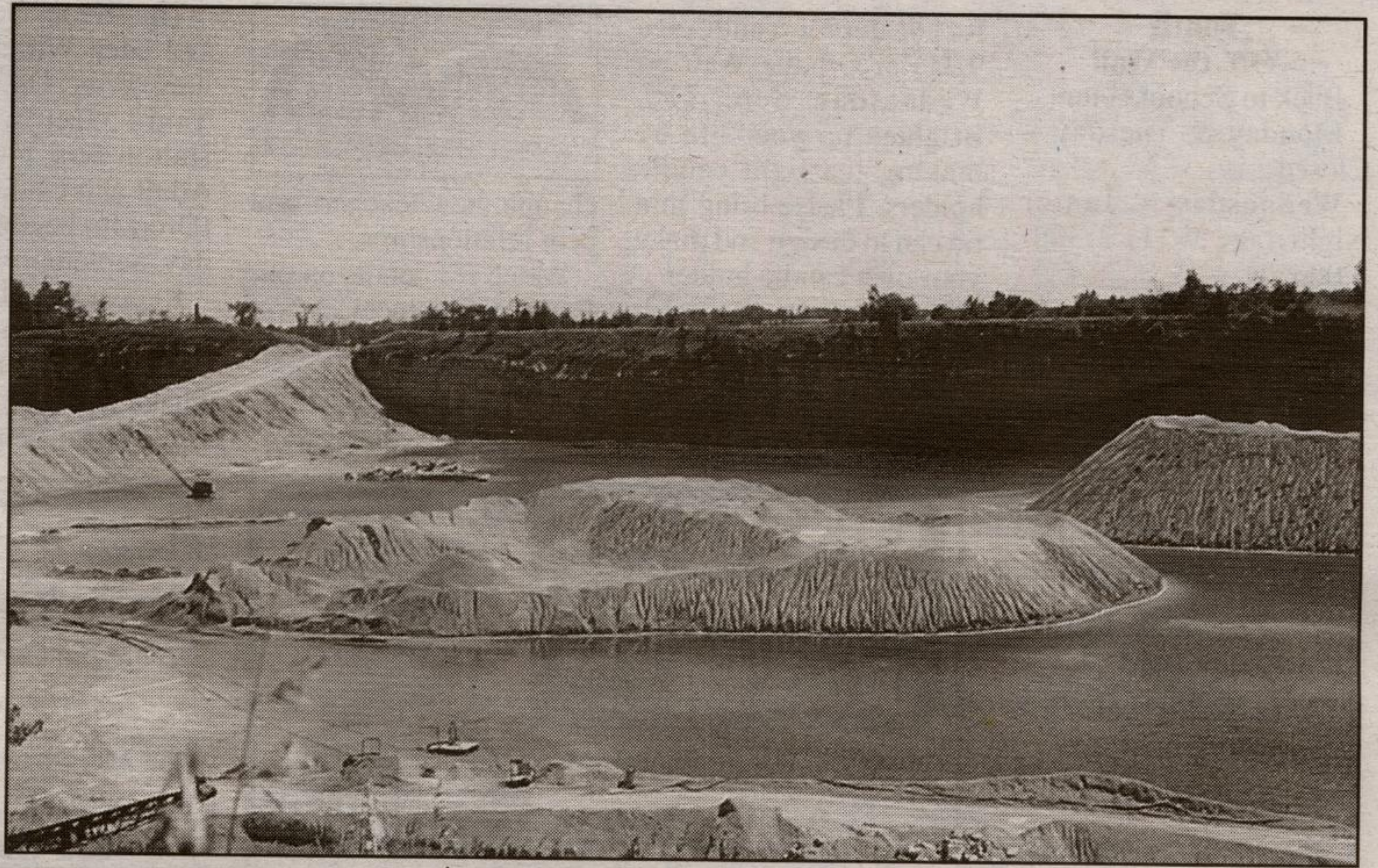
Registration is available on a foursome, group or individual basis for \$150/player, which includes the golf (shotgun start), golf cart and dinner. Call 905-637-7200 to register.

affairs when we are too old. So we had best start being less judgmental and listen up to the youth, or soon we may be the one's to be silenced and feel like our only voice is to rip up someone's garden.

Sincerely,
K.M. Kent

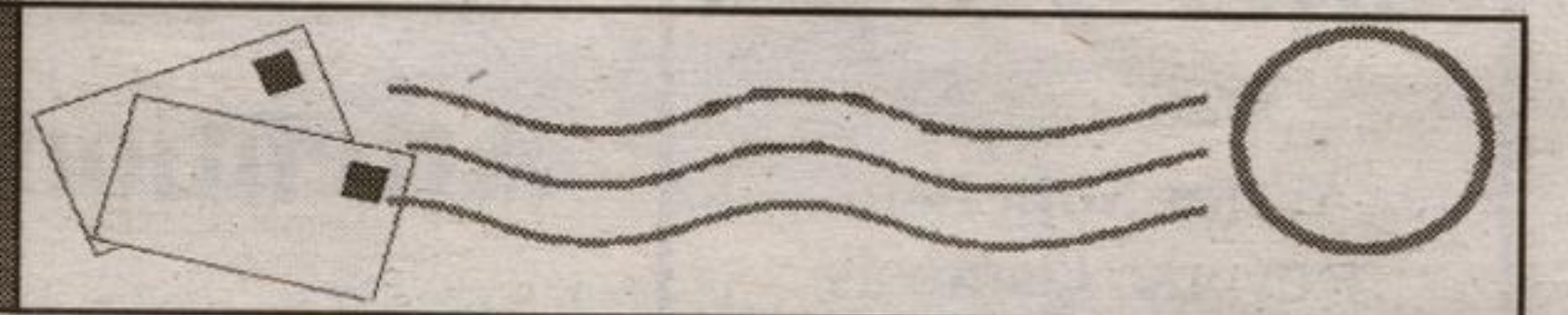


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Acton Quarry Lake

Letters



Let the power of humanity be the legacy of September 11

To the editor:

In the coming days, images of a massive and brutal act against civilians will be replayed countless times across the globe. Families of the victims and people the world over will remember those working in the Twin Towers and the Pentagon, the flight passengers and crew, and others who were killed by the terrorists' attacks of September 11. Tributes to firefighters and police who lost their lives in the rescue effort will hold a particular poignancy for many.

It would be easy to let the horror and hate invoked by these attacks prevail. But when you recall the tragic loss of life, remember, too, the acts of heroism, courage and compassion that followed.

Emergency service workers responded in the aftermath and spent months leading the recovery efforts, many reliving the

hellish hours that killed their colleagues. More than 57,000 Red Cross disaster service volunteers tended to the injuries of recovery crews, served millions of meals and listened to the countless stories of loss and sorrow.

Taxi drivers worked all day and volunteered during the night to transport people home from their shifts at Ground Zero. Citizens set up hate crimes hot lines to counsel their fellow North Americans who were suffering twice from the terrorists' acts - once from the attacks and second from racist acts of violence in a misdirected attempt at revenge. From around the globe, people sent messages of support and money to help families of victims begin the process of recovery.

Canadians rose to the occasion when 33,000 airline passengers were suddenly stranded within our borders, many in more re-

mote parts of the land.

Communities rallied to feed, house and entertain our unexpected guests, turning a frightening ordeal into something different for passengers. Many reported an experience of immense caring and compassion, affirming the capacity of humans to respond to those in need.

The flow of compassion and generosity from Canadians, who crossed the border to assist in the aftermath or donated \$25 million to the Canadian Red Cross to help victims and their families, was inspiring. That assistance continues to provide counselling and financial support to those directly affected by the attacks.

The power of humanity - let that be the legacy of September 11.

Joan Conn,
President,
Canadian Red Cross,
Ontario Zone Council

Regional chairman expresses Halton's support to Pres. Bush

Following is a letter to US President George W Bush from Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline filed with *The New Tanner* for publication.

Dear President Bush:

As we near the anniversary of September 11, we are reminded of the importance of friendship during times of great uncertainty and instability. Our thoughts are with our American neighbours at this difficult time, and I wish to express our ongoing support and commitment to this friendship.

We are also reminded of the great heroism shown by the emergency service workers who responded to the fateful scenes a year ago. In Halton Region, we are grateful for the incredible bravery and courage that these

workers show every day in our own communities. They exemplify the best in all of us - as citizens, and as human beings.

We are also grateful for the support of our Canadian Armed Forces, who risk their lives overseas in the battle for peace.

We were deeply affected by the tragic events of last September. Our employees and citizens rallied together to demonstrate their support and commitment to our American neighbours. Paramedics sent vehicles and staff to assist with US flights being diverted to nearby airports. A Black Ribbon Campaign was held by paramedics in support of the heroic efforts of fellow rescue workers in New York and Washington. Trucks and crews

from our fire departments were on standby to go to the US to assist with the recovery efforts. Staff and citizens expressed their sympathies and thoughts of hope in a Book of Condolences, which was forwarded to New York State Governor George Pataki.

Our thoughts are with you at this time of remembrance and reflection. We also mourn the loss of many Canadians who lost their lives in the tragedy, and sympathize with all those trying to cope with the magnitude of that loss. We hope you can draw strength from the knowledge that your Canadian neighbours in Halton share your grief and your hope for the future.

Best regards,
Joyce Savoline,
Halton Regional Chairman