

Mayor's Corner

By Rick Bonnette



On behalf of Council, I am pleased to announce that Aero Metals is Halton Hills' newest manufacturer. The company, owned by Halton Hills resident Paul Colacci, is setting up operations in a 10,000 square foot building on the Fifth Line in Limehouse.

Aero Metals manufactures a revolutionary new product, 'foamed aluminum' that is light in weight, strong, and fire proof. Many different consumer and industrial products can be made from 'foamed aluminum' including ceiling tiles, fire rated wall panels, and parts for the automobile and aircraft industries. The product is cost competitive with standard products that lack the strength and fire rating of the Aero Metals product.

The company is working with the University of Toronto in product development. Ultimately, Aero Metals intends to expand to larger premises, and use the Limehouse facility for research and product development. Initially the facility will employ 15 workers, but this number will grow as full production is phased in.

I am extremely proud to extend congratulations to each of the recipients of the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce 2003 Business Achievement Awards - Mike Mavraganis, Entrepreneur of the Year (Topper's Pizza); Karen Landry, Employee of the Year (Town of Halton Hills); and J. S. Jones & Son Funeral Home Ltd., (Business of the Year).

It is an honour to also congratulate Mr. Carson Mininch, this year's Georgetown Hockey Heritage Award recipient. Carson has been involved in the sport of hockey over the past 25 years in our community as a volunteer, coach, and member of the Georgetown Minor Hockey Association executive. The Georgetown Hockey Heritage Awards Dinner was held on Monday, March 1 at Holy Cross Auditorium.

As this column goes to print, the 2004 Budget should be officially approved. Budget deliberations were the most difficult in recent years. The budget increase is 5.8%, which equates to a \$48.00 per household tax increase. The upgrade of our roads is paramount, and this is the first year that 2% of your tax dollars was earmarked to go directly to road repairs.

Moving on from Communities in Bloom, I am pleased to announce that a new initiative "Town and Country

Showcase" is presently in the planning stages, and this year's event will take place on June 19. Being volunteer driven, and at little or no cost to our taxpayers, this day will be an opportunity to showcase our community and civic pride. The day promises to be an exciting one as our municipality plays host to tours and activities. Trails, parks, and local tourist attractions will all be highlighted. Watch this column for further details.

Acton area residents can now drop off their tax bill payments at the Acton Hydro Office located at 43 Alice Street for delivery to the Tax Department at the Civic Centre. Georgetown residents can leave their Hydro bill payments at the Civic Centre for delivery to the Acton Hydro Office.

The Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee will be sending a written submission to the Accessibility Directorate of Ontario, Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, on behalf of Halton Hills residents, based on work to date. The Committee extends an invitation to all disabled persons in our community to make a submission with respect to making changes to the Ontarians with Disabilities Act. Ideas can be submitted, no later than March 31, 2004 by telephone at 1-888-325-4957, TTY 1-888-335-6611, online at <http://www.gov.on.ca/citizenship/accessibility>, or in writing to the Accessibility Directorate of Ontario, Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration, 400 University Avenue, 3rd Floor, Toronto, Ontario M7A 2R9, Attention: Public Consultations.

A Public Meeting for your input into duplicate street name and address changes for Mary and Arthur Streets, Norval; George Street, Park Avenue, and Main Streets North and South, Acton, will take place at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 197, 15 Wright Avenue, Acton, on Monday, March 29, 2004 at 6:30 p.m. This will be the first Council meeting held in Acton since the inception of Regional Government on January 1, 1974.

The Town is gearing up for the opening celebration of the Gellert Community Centre on Sunday, June 13. This event will be a fantastic opportunity for the public to take part in the launch of this great community facility.

The Mayor can be contacted at mayor@haltonhills.ca or by telephone at 905-873-2601, ext. 2342.

Food for soul often lacking

To the Editor,

I wonder if your newspaper could search for the perfect child? Will parents say?...

"I'm not bragging, but I've raised him/her the best way I could, so I have one as close to perfect as any."

"From babyhood on my child had the very best care,

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food, education, learned fair play at sports, and even had special classes to discover any talents so as to produce a well-rounded person.

"I only wish..."

The only Missing Ingredi-

ent in this usual Canadian upbringing of today's child is no secret. Yet it is not included.

Since a human being is composed of mind, body and soul; food for the soul is lacking.

Yet there are numerous books, studies, which can fill this void. Religion is not an option for a really secure life-


style. Yet it is overlooked. A child needs his soul fed too.

In March Break there is an opportunity to secure your child's future forever. He/She is certain to thank you for this perfect gift.

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- Think about getting independent legal advise to make sure you know what this commitment means.
- Do not agree to be a surety if you are not sure that you can supervise the accused person in the community.
- If the accused person fails to obey the terms and/or conditions of the court order, you could lose the money you have pledged.
- Your responsibility as a surety continues until the case is completely over. In some cases this may take a long time.

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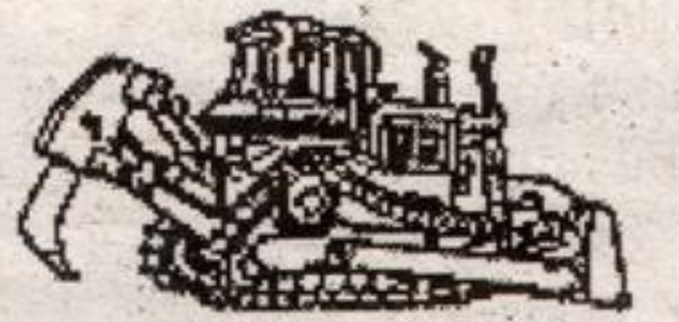
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