

## CAO Bob Austin retiring...

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ment plans.

"It's time for me to move on and my personal planning hasn't got to the forefront, yet, not that I'd like to make it public," he said, adding he is looking forward to new challenges, including more

curling, golf and travel.

Mayor Bonnette said the Town was glad to accept Austin as its CAO, even knowing his tenure would not be long, because of his wealth of experience and because they needed someone who would "steady the ship

in some kind of rough waters" when there was "some question about staff morale in the building."

"Bob was the guy to do it, and he did it with fine form," Bonnette said on Tuesday, adding they both learned their respective jobs at the same time and helped each other.

"We had one of the best budget processes we've ever had this year because of Bob's team approach - he took a corporate approach and showed true leadership, and what a work ethic that man has - his car is here at 7:30 in the morning and is still here at 6 at night. He will be hard to replace," Bonnette said.



**LITTER FIGHTERS:** Mrs. Kingmill's Grade three class at St. Joseph Catholic School got a jump on the Town's clean up plans later this month by tackling the front garden on Monday. The Town is holding a 20-Minute Makeover on Earth Day, April 22 and a general clean up on the 23rd. - Frances Niblock photo

## Town plans big clean-up day

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The New Tanner

All it will take to rid the Town of a winter's worth of waste is a small effort by a lot of people - you know, many hands make light work.

That will be put to the test on April 22 when Halton Hills joins the 20-Minute Makeover challenge issued by Toronto.

Basically, businesses and organizations in Town will take 20 minutes to clean up litter from their yards, grounds, stores, laneways or schools.

Councillor Jane Fogal,

chair of the Town's Litter Free Task Force says the 20-Minute Makeover on Earth Day, April 22, is another tool they can use to try to make the community more attractive and clean.

She said it is an opportunity to hit a different part of the municipality from the parks and open spaces cleaned up during community blitzes.

"Our industrial areas haven't been cleaned up in a very long time, and we're trying to do economic development and boy, if people drive through those areas and see what they look like, they're not going to be attracted to our municipality, it won't look like we're a great place to live and do business," Fogal said last Monday, adding all Acton businesses were invited to take part in the 20-Minute makeover in a letter from the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce.

Fogal calls littering a "bad habit" that stems from a lack of respect for public space and people would not be willing to pay the cost of litter clean up, a job not partially done by volunteers.

Regional Wards One and Two Councillor Clark Somerville, the Council rep on the BIA, said they are going to concentrate efforts on the Re/Max parking lot - on the east side of Main Street, south of Mill Street - for the 20-Minute Makeover because it's an area that has been very difficult to keep clean.

"There are also a lot of  
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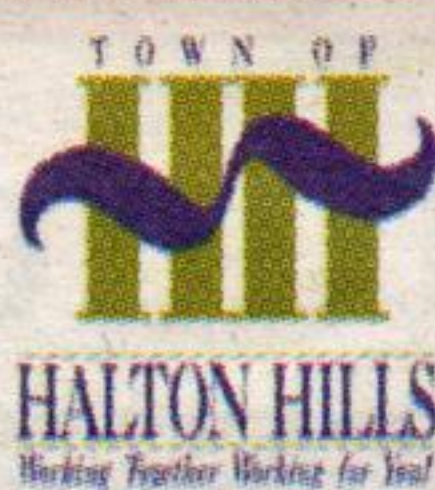
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## CLEAN UP HALTON HILLS!



It is spring at last and now is the time to clean up our town and make it beautiful again.

All residents, businesses and groups of all ages are asked to participate.

### TWO WAYS TO PITCH IN!

### Announcing the \* Halton Hills 20 Minute Makeover \*

On FRIDAY, APRIL 22ND at 2 p.m. employees and students are asked to go outside and do a quick 20 minute litter pickup of their premises or neighbourhood.

## JOIN US ON SAT., APRIL 23, 2005

It's time for everyone to lend a hand!

Clean Up Day is Sponsored by *Tim Hortons*

#### WHAT ARE WE CLEANING UP?

- Roadways
- Parking Lots
- School Yards
- Business Areas
- Parks
- Gateways
- Valleys

#### WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

- Youth Groups
- School Groups
- Businesses
- Neighbourhoods
- Churches
- Interest Groups
- Service Clubs
- Sports Organization
- Families
- Individuals

#### WE WANT YOUR HELP!

Participants are asked the Town Works Yard at 905-873-2601 ext. 2610 to register your clean up location or to be assigned a location. Also to arrange for pick up of collected trash.

Free gloves and bags are available at The Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce, the Georgetown and Acton BIA offices, The Acton Works Yard and The Central Works Yard at 11620 Trafalgar Road.

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Following the CLEAN UP on Saturday, participants are invited to the Central Works Yard for refreshments courtesy of *Tim Hortons*, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Participants can also bring collected litter to the Works Yard anytime on the weekend.

The Town of Halton Hills annual **Earth Day Celebration** will be held on  
**SATURDAY, APRIL 30th** at the **Central Works Yard**  
Further information is available on the town's website [www.haltonhills.ca](http://www.haltonhills.ca)

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