Water restrictions in effect NOW

Halton Region Public Department is promoting a region-wide reduction in the use of municipal water during the summer period, through a program of mandatory lawn watering restrictions.

watering lawn restrictions involve an "odd/even day" system to reduce peaks in water demand. Properties with odd municipal numbered addresses (e.g. 1,3,5 etc.) will be allowed to water the lawns only on odd calendar days. Properties with even municipal numbered addresses will be allowed to water the lawns only on even calendar days. For townhouse units where the unit number is included in the municipal address (e.g. Unit #101, 2 Main Street) the unit number will apply (i.e. the odd #101, and not the even 2 Main Street).

As in previous years, the program is implemented on a. region-wide basis for all properties serviced by municipal water supply.

Private wells and surface water from ponds and streams are excluded from this program.

The water restriction program does not include the washing, following: car flower, garden and tree watering by hand, water uses via held spray nozzles, newly placed sodding during the maintenance period, lawns treated with herbicide, pesticide, or fertilizer which require water. If the last two examples are encountered, please notify Yvonne Teneycke, Plant Operations Division, 878-8113 or 853-0501, ext. 7948.

The water restriction program does include the following: all residential, commercial and industrial properties, all municipallyowned properties such as schools, parks, arenas, community centres, public works facilities, etc., golf courses using municipal

The program will be enforced by Halton's Public Works staff. Although a

Vacation Bible School

host Vacation Bible School the week of August 14-18. With

the theme, Discovering Jesus in the Bible, sessions will be

welcome regardless of church affiliation. For more

information, contact Mary Van Dijk, 854-0263, or Jean

held each weekday morning from 9:30-11:30 a.m.

St. David's Presbyterian Church in Campbellville will

The fee is \$15 and children ages three years and up are

maximum fine of \$2,000 may be assessed on violators contravening this provision of Regional Water Use Bylaw 93-89, the cooperation of all citizens in this important water conservation effort will be the key to its success.

During the summer months water use can increase by over 50 per cent. Most of this water is used for our lawns and gardens. However, by wise water use in the summer, you can waste less water and still maintain a healthy green lawn and garden.

To illustrate the impact of summer use on the water supply system, consider these

1. Average lawn watering for one-half hour a day uses 360 gallons of water.

2. In Halton Hills there are approximately 11,000 homes.

3. If all these homes watered on the same day, over 3.9 million gallons of water would be used.

Excess water demand due to lawn watering can strain the capacity of our water supply and storage systems.

Lawns don't need to be watered every day. Watering every 3 to 5 days is sufficient, less often if it rains. The best time to water is during the coolest part of the day. Watering in the early morning or in the evening after the sun has gone down, will reduce the amount of water lost to evaporation.

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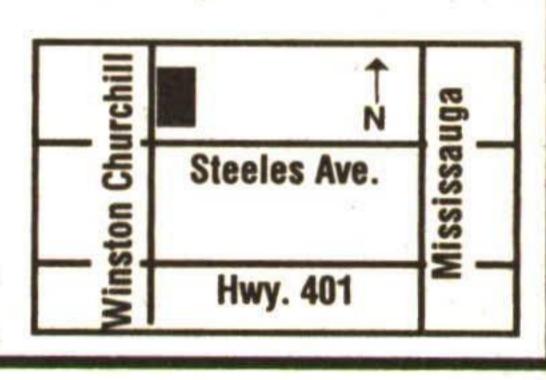


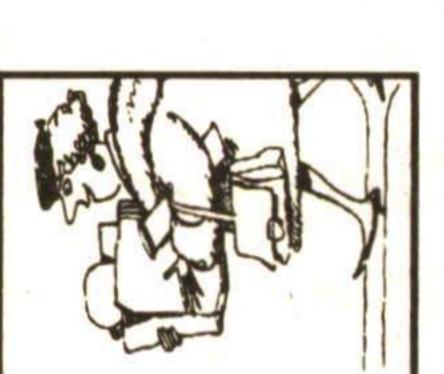
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