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Plant sale ready to bloom

Georgetown Horticultural Society members (from left) Georgina Hebb, Dawn Falls, Belinda Gallagher and Terry LaFond have been busy digging up and dividing perennials in preparation for the group's upcoming annual plant sale to be held at Knox Presbyterian Church Hall in Georgetown, Friday, May 10 at 6 p.m. The sale, the group's annual major fund-raiser, will feature all sorts of plant varieties for the most avid green thumb to peruse.



Photo by Ted Brown

Police warn residents to keep homes locked

With the weather getting warmer and area residents outside gardening or entertaining more, Halton Police remind people to take extra care to ensure their house and car are secure.

Police say most property crimes are crimes of opportunity and if some simple preventative steps are taken, it lessens a person's chance of becoming a victim.

- Halton Police encourage everyone to:
- Lock the front doors and windows, especially when gardening/mowing the lawn or entertaining in the backyard.
 - Lock all garage doors. Bicycles, power tools, gardening tools, lawn equipment, sporting equipment and money are often targeted.

- Vehicles should be kept locked when not in use, which includes when they are in a garage.
 - Lock sheds when not in use.
 - Do not leave valuables, wallets, purses and keys in plain view inside your vehicle or within the residence.
 - Report any suspicious vehicles or people to police immediately.
 - Those who plan to be away from the home should have a friend or neighbour drop by to look after their home. As well, mail and newspapers should be picked up and the lawn mowed to give the appearance that the house is occupied.
- Anyone with questions or concerns should call 905-878-5511 ext. 2105.



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If you feel overwhelmed, angry or frustrated as a parent, help is out there for you. Look in your area for support groups and services, or talk to a trusted friend, family member, pastor or doctor about what you can do to protect and support your child. If we all do our part to prevent child abuse, we'll get to the heart of the matter.