

Existing employees with the Halton District School Board won't have to pay for criminal background checks.

School board trustees recently approved a motion to use about \$48,000 from the board's reserve fund to pay for the police checks.

Halton Region needs more discre-

tion to operate its social housing programs effectively, regional council said recently.

Councillors endorsed a motion that will see regional staff recommend increased discretionary powers for service providers when a submission for improvements to the Social

In brief...

Housing Reform Act (2000) is made.

The submission is part of a call for reform ideas from the

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

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The Ontario Municipal Board needs to be overhauled, Halton

regional council said in its endorsement of a reform task force.

Calls for a reform task force were forwarded to the region from Durham and Mississauga councils, both of which previously agreed to take part in the reform task force.

Recommendations from the task force will be forwarded to the provincial government for consideration.

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SHAWN CAMPBELL EXPANDS FAMILY LAW PRACTICE TO GEORGETOWN

Senior family law lawyer Shawn Campbell has opened an office in Georgetown devoted to family law and divorce. Campbell, a Georgetown resident, will also continue his practice in Brampton. In the past twenty years Campbell has appeared in family law matters all across Ontario, the Ontario Court of Appeal and assisted in presentations in the Newfoundland Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada. Campbell is located in Georgetown at Suite 205 232A Guelph Street. Campbell believed there was a place for a lawyer in Georgetown practising exclusively family law including marriage contracts, separation agreements, divorce, custody, access, child support, spousal support, claims to reduce support or rescind support arrears and defending support payors in proceedings initiated by the Family Responsibility Office.

Shawn Campbell is available
for family law consultations
by appointment at
905-702-0638.



Guide to the Outdoors

Julie Pomeroy

What does Riverfest and Montgomery Christmas have in common? Yes, they both take place in the Village of Norval and we are proud to say that Canoe Country played a key role in getting both of them started. Both events also celebrate nature. Lucy Maud Montgomery loved nature. She wrote in her Norval journals about her love for and power of communion with the beauty of nature. She said that there were many times when she could not have endured life without this power and would not exchange it for any earthly happiness or gift. Wow. Don't miss the 10th Annual Montgomery Christmas - Sat. Nov. 30, 2002, L.M.M.'s birthday. Details at www.canoe-country.com/montgom/htm



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Halton's Water is Clearly Top Quality



Halton Region's Water Quality Quarterly Report (July-September 2002) is now available. The report provides information about where your drinking water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to the Ontario Drinking Water Standards.

How does Halton measure up?

- Halton's water is purity tested more than 125,000 times each year;
- Halton's water has consistently tested SAFE;
- Halton Region meets the required Ontario Drinking Water Standards;
- Halton Region staff are highly qualified, licensed and dedicated to delivering safe drinking water.

Find out more about water quality in Halton.

- Visit <http://www.region.halton.on.ca/ppw/water/waterquality/> to view results for all water supplies in Halton Region;
- Pick up a copy of the Water Quality Quarterly Report from Halton's Planning & Public Works Department at 1151 Bronte Rd., Oakville;
- Order a copy of the report by phone at 905-825-6000 or toll free at 1-866-4HALTON (1-866-442-5866).

Information About Yard Waste Collection

Effective September 2002, Halton Region phased out the collection of plastic yard waste bags as part of the yard waste collection program. Many communities in the GTA and across Canada have already implemented similar yard waste collection programs.

This change will help us improve the quality of the compost we are able to offer our residents, minimize plastic waste in the landfill and reduce costs. While plastic bags are relatively inexpensive and plentiful, they are costly to process and are not environmentally friendly.

We ask you to consider some alternatives to plastic yard waste bags:

Open reusable containers (such as an open garbage can or bushel basket) with a yard waste label

- Saves time because it is easier to fill
- Saves money by reducing the number of bags you use
- Saves the environment by reducing plastic waste

Biodegradable paper yard waste bags

- Sturdier than you might think, and will stand up through all kinds of weather
- Biodegradable and therefore will not contaminate the compost available to residents
- Easy to fill

Backyard Composting

- Leaves provide a rich component of carbon to the compost pile. A successful compost mix includes 75% carbon (brown material) and 25% nitrogen (green material)



Pick up a complimentary yard waste bag (10 per household) and a label for your yard waste container at the following location:

- Georgetown Works Yard
Saturday, November 9th, 10:00am - 3:00pm
- Georgetown Civic Centre
Wednesday, November 13th, 6:00pm - 8:00pm

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