

## To combat West Nile virus Acton sites targeted for larviciding

Larvicide will be applied to two standing water sites where mosquito larvae have been found in Acton by Halton Region in an attempt to reduce the risk of West Nile Virus to area residents.

At press time a spokesperson at Halton Region Health Department could not provide the specific Acton locations. The larvicide will also be applied at three sites in Burlington and two in Oakville.

The larvicide, Bacillus thuringiensis israelensis (Bti), will be applied to reduce the number of mosquito larvae.

"Halton Region is committed to minimizing the spread of West Nile virus," said Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline. "Our top priority is the health and safety of our residents."

Bti is considered safe and prior to making the decision to larvicide, the region looked at each location to see if the problem could be corrected by either removing the water or changing grading to limit standing water.

"The Health Department has a comprehensive plan for this year's West Nile virus season," said Dr. Bob Nosal, Halton's Medical Officer of Health. "Larviciding is one piece of our strategy to protect the health of Halton residents."

Notices of larviciding will be placed in local newspapers and signs will be posted at the sites when the larvicides are applied. The locations will also be listed on the health department's Web site [www.region.halton.on.ca/health](http://www.region.halton.on.ca/health).

Residents are reminded they can assist in the fight against West Nile virus by reporting dead birds to the health department. Dead birds can be reported by calling 1-866-4HALTON (1-866-442-5866). The health department monitors reports of all dead birds to assist in

tracking the spread of the virus in the community.

For more information about WNV and see a map of locations larvicided visit the Health Department's Web site (address above) or call the health department at 1-866-442-5866.

### How to help fight WNV...

With West Nile Virus (WNV) season approaching Halton Region Health Department is asking area residents to do their part to control the spread of the virus.

Residents are encouraged to remove old tires, buckets or even toys that are in their yards collecting water— all areas where mosquitoes are likely to breed.

Residents are also asked to report dead bird sightings to the health department to track the spread of the virus.

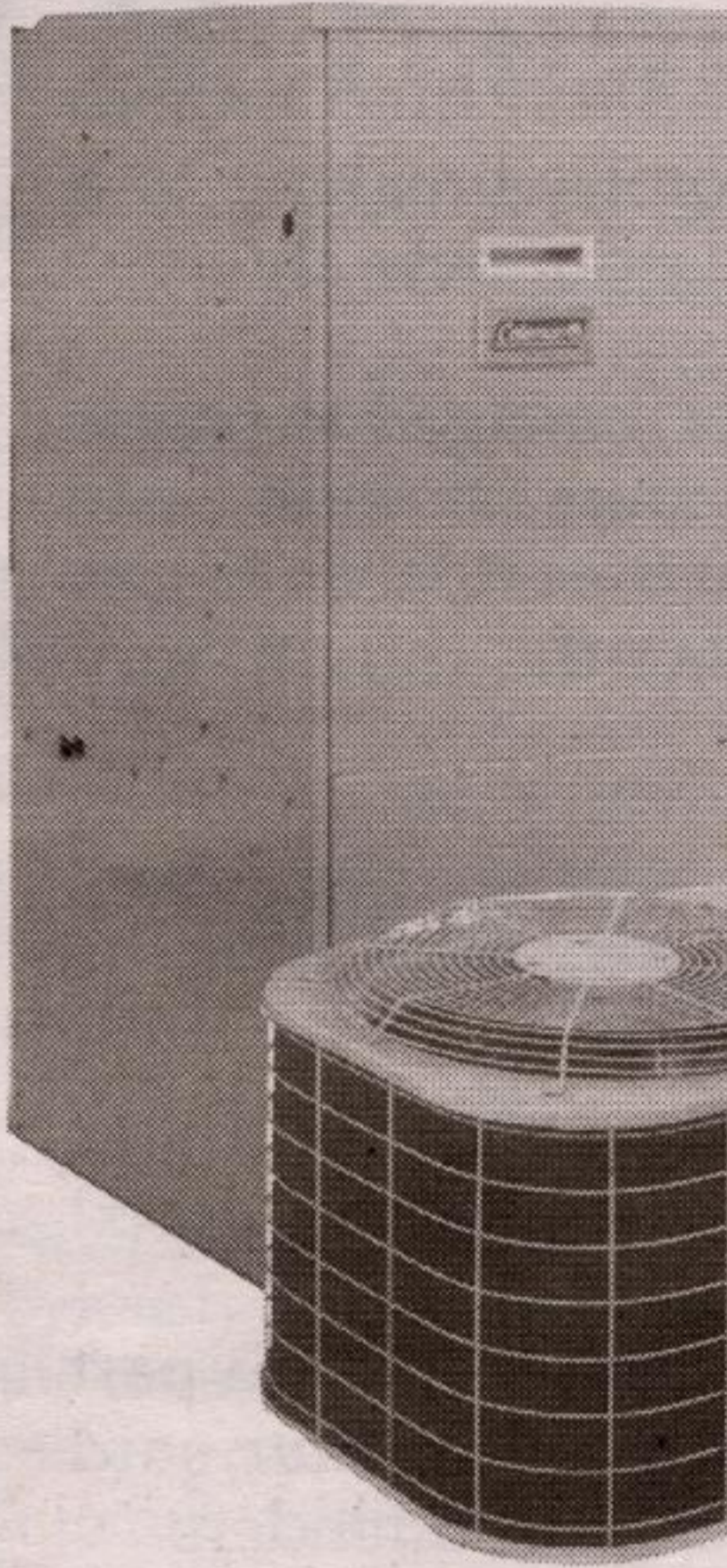
The health department will not be picking up all dead birds, but staff will tell the caller how to dispose of the bird. Some of the dead birds reported by residents will be sent for WNV testing.

Reporting of dead birds allows the health department to track the presence and progression of the virus within the community. Those who call to report a dead bird, are asked to provide as much information as possible including:

- Type or description of bird
- Address of closest house
- How long the bird has been there
- Cause of death, if known

To report a dead bird or for more information about WNV call the Health Department at 1-866-4HALTON (1-866-442-5866), or visit the Web site at [www.region.halton.on.ca/health](http://www.region.halton.on.ca/health).

## call APPLEBY SYSTEMS



### COOL COMFORT FANTASTIC SAVINGS

- Free 10 Year Parts Warranty
- Free Winter Cover for Air Conditioner
- Don't Pay for 90 Days (OAC)

Up to **\$450<sup>00</sup>\***  
**FACTORY  
REBATES**

Offer expires soon - call today!

Proudly Serving Halton Residents  
for over 35 Years  
from our office here in Georgetown

- 24 Hour Emergency Service
- Qualified Mechanics • Quality Workmanship



\*Total package rebate, ask for details.



**APPLEBY SYSTEMS 877-8990**

Fireplace, Heating & Air Conditioning Sales & Service  
118 Guelph St. Georgetown (at Maple)

Hours: Monday - Friday 9-5; Saturday 11-4; Appointments available after hours upon request

## How a Mother's Gift Helped This Brampton Woman Shed 149 Lbs!



My name is Ellen Bragg. I bless the day I started at Positive Changes Hypnosis Centre. I opened my eyes after my first session and knew hypnosis was my answer. Thanks to unique gift from my mother I melted off a staggering 149 lbs effortlessly! My dress size plunged from an obese 26 to a lean 10.

If I can lose weight,  
so can you!

If you want to take control of your weight problem, begin hypnosis with Positive Changes right away! Pick up the telephone and call NOW! It will be the best gift you'll ever give yourself!



Michelle Kennelly takes the  
**WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE**  
Follow her progress - Next Update May 26/04

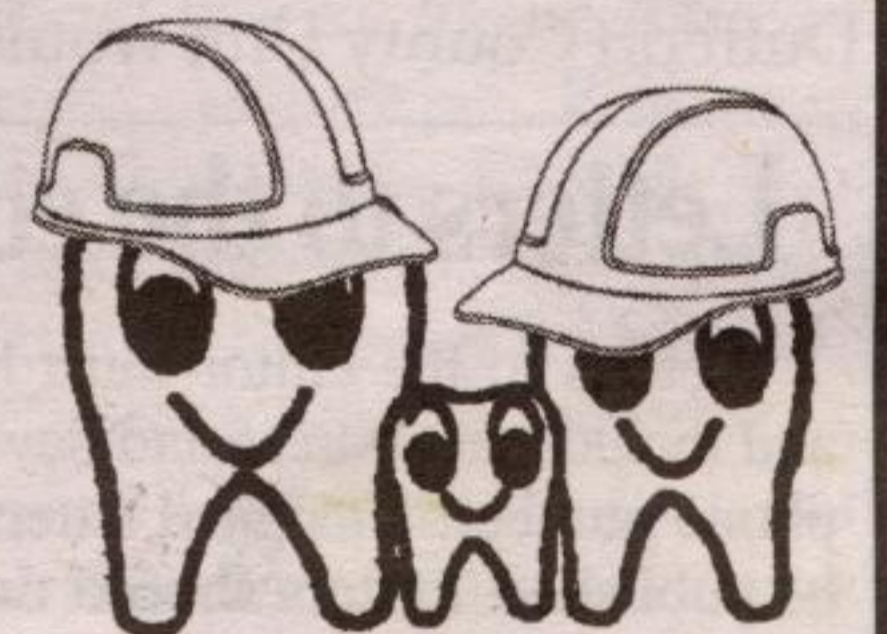
Weight Loss ~ Stress Management  
Stop Smoking ~ Alcohol Freedom  
35 Main St. South, Olde Downtown  
Georgetown

(905) 877-2077



**PositiveChanges**  
HYPNOSIS CENTRES  
"Where Results Happen"

## Dr. Anoop Sayal & Associates



### FAMILY & COSMETIC DENTISTRY

OUR WEBSITE IS

Under construction.

[www.georgetowndental.com](http://www.georgetowndental.com)

Look for the exciting changes coming soon.

#### Hours:

Mon. & Weds. 9:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am - 6 pm  
Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Saturday 8:00 am - 2:00 pm



Georgetown Market Place Mall

New Patients and  
Emergencies Welcome!!!

**905-877-2273 (CARE)**