

Gale Verhaegen was one of hundreds who signed a ballot in the Georgetown Market Place Wednesday opposing the closing of the hospital's OB unit.

Photo by Ted Brown

Campaign gains strength

Have your say on OB closure

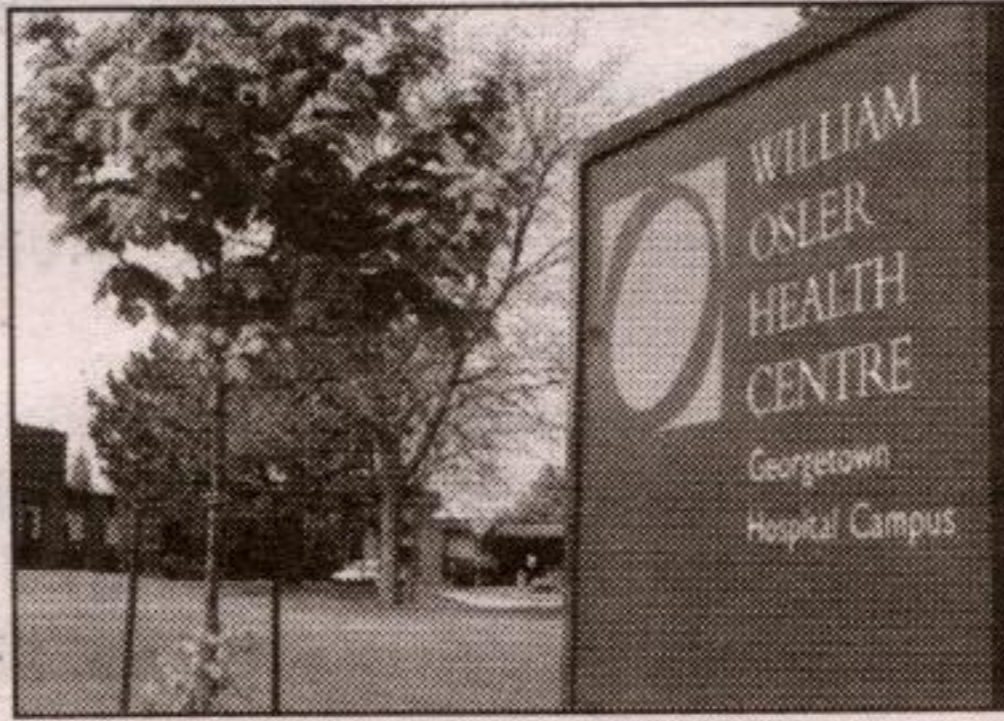
The William Osler Health Centre has decided to permanently move its in-patient obstetrics and pediatrics services at the Georgetown hospital campus to Brampton July 5.

The Independent & Free Press, along with many community groups and residents, opposes this move and is inviting readers to voice their opposition to this plan.

If you oppose WOHC's decision to close Georgetown hospital's obstetrics unit, fill in the ballot below and return it to The Independent & Free Press before 5 p.m., June 4.

We will ensure the ballots are delivered to WOHC CEO Bob Bell.

Ballots can be dropped off at our office in the Georgetown Market Place (Zellers end), mailed to The Independent & Free Press at 280 Guelph, Unit 29, Georgetown, Ont. L7G 4B1 or faxed by dialing 905-873-0398.



Ballots are also available in the Centre Court of the Georgetown Market Place and can also be submitted through the Internet by accessing The Independent & Free Press' home Web page at www.independent-freepress.com

On the buses!

Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette and council have arranged a free bus (or buses if needed) to take Halton Hills residents concerned about the closure of obstetrics and pediatrics at Georgetown hospital to the next William Osler Health Centre's board of directors' meeting.

The bus(es) will leave Halton Hills Civic Centre at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, May 27. The meeting is set for 4 p.m. at William Osler's Etobicoke campus.

Pre-register by calling Daphne Millar at the Town of Halton Hills, 905-873-2600 ext. 2345.

Keep our hospital's OB ward open!

I believe Georgetown hospital's obstetrics/pediatrics ward must stay open.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Police seek two males after teen assaulted

Halton Police are looking for two males after a 16-year-old girl was sexually assaulted at Joseph Gibbons Park Monday night.

Police report the assault occurred between 11 p.m. and

midnight while the victim, who suffered minor injuries in the incident, was walking in the park.

One male is described as approximately six feet tall, muscular with a medium build and wearing a sweater.

The other male is 5'10", wearing jeans and t-shirt and medium build.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Child Abuse and Sexual Assault Bureau at 905-878-5511 ext. 5235.

MAY IS SPEECH & HEARING MONTH Colouring Contest

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone # _____ Age: _____

Boy Girl

Ages Categories:

Ages 3-5 Ages 6-8 Ages 8-11

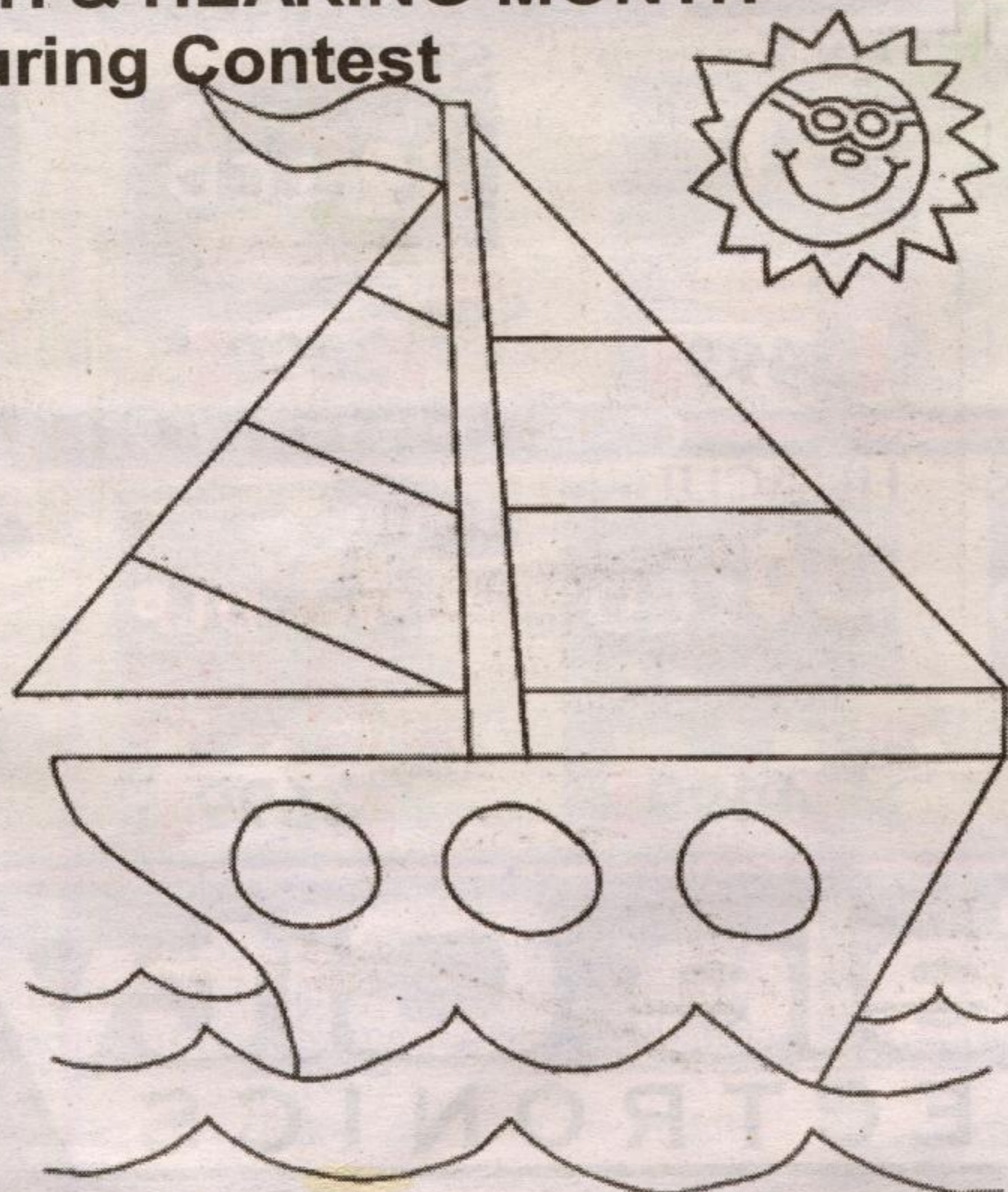
(Winner of each category will receive a prize from the Halton Hills Speech Centre. Winner will be contacted by May 31, 2004)

Entries must be mailed or delivered to:

Halton Hills Speech Centre
211 Guelph St. Suite 5
Georgetown, Ontario L7G 5B5

(or deliver to The Georgetown Independent)

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