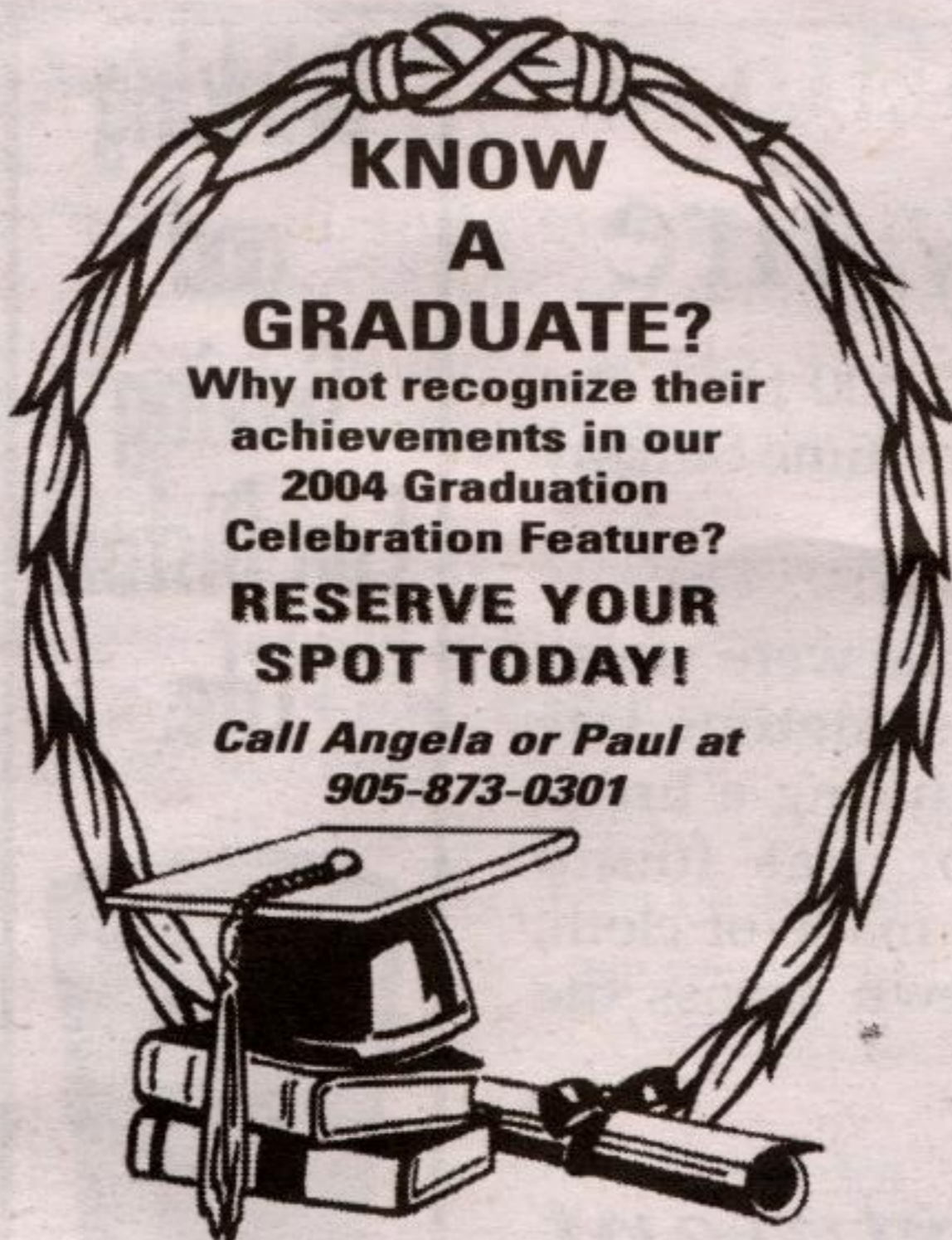




Come and join us on  
**Sunday, May 30, 2004**  
 from 2 to 4 p.m.  
 as we celebrate  
**Dad's 85th  
 Birthday**  
 at  
**Trinity United Church**  
 70 Mill St. E., Acton

Harvey Kirkwood

Please bring a written memory, a story  
 or a picture for Dad's memory book.



# Exercise patience

## Drivers must obey school crossing guards

It's almost the May 2-4 weekend. I can't believe how fast the school year has gone. There are only five weeks of school left before the summer, but still time for a mishap at a school crossing.

I was at a busy intersection in Georgetown South a few weeks ago and was observing traffic. I'm sad to say that a large number of drivers do not stop when children are crossing even though there are stop signs, and a crossing guard.

Why not? So.....just what are your obligations under the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) when you see that dedicated school crossing guard who stands out in the middle of the road, holding up a stop sign, in the sunshine, rain, snow and fog?

Section 176(3) of the HTA requires that the driver of any vehicle (that includes bicycles) approaching the stop sign shall stop before reaching the crossing. The driver cannot proceed until the school crossing stop sign is no longer displayed.

When the children who use the crosswalk see that stop sign held up by the crossing guard they assume that it is safe to cross. If a driver assumes that no more children will be entering the crossing and they proceed, the consequences can be fatal.

Even a right turn, that looks safe, may prove to be just the opposite. It is best to exercise a little patience and wait.

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Then there is the topic of school buses.

Section 175(11) of the HTA states that every driver, when meeting on a highway a

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stopped school bus that has its overhead red signal lights flashing, shall stop before reaching the bus and shall not proceed until the bus moves or the overhead red signal lights have stopped flashing.

Subsection 12 states that every driver, when approaching from the rear a stopped school bus that has its overhead red signal lights flashing, shall stop at least 20 metres before reaching the bus and shall not proceed until the bus moves or the overhead red signal lights have stopped flashing.

The definition of "highway" under the HTA means street, or roadway, not necessarily the 401-type highway.

So there you have it. No sneaking around on the shoulder, no passing on the left. If the thought of mowing down a child doesn't stop some drivers from passing a school bus when it is stopped, then maybe the thought of a \$500 fine and six demerit points will!

If you have any questions about this, or any other police issues, contact me at 905-878-5511 ext 2120 or e-mail me at laurel.barnett@hrps.on.ca.

Const. Laurel Barnett is the community support officer for 1 Division



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING No.2

#### Mid-Halton Sewage Treatment Plant Expansion

#### Phases 3 and 4 Class Environmental Assessment Study

In March 2003, the Regional Municipality of Halton completed a Water and Wastewater Master Plan review that identified the required water and sewer infrastructure projects to service future growth in Halton region. One of the major projects identified in the Master Plan review was the expansion of the Mid-Halton Sewage Treatment Plant (STP), located on the North Service Road between Bronte Road and Third Line in Oakville, and servicing residents and businesses located in the northern portion of Oakville and Milton. The Mid-Halton Plant exceeds sewage treatment standards set by the Ministry of the Environment before the treated effluent enters Lake Ontario.



The Region is following the required Class Environmental Assessment (EA) process to plan for the Mid-Halton STP expansion from its existing capacity of 50,000 cubic meters per day to a capacity of 75,000 cubic meters per day. This process involves a thorough review of alternative ways to expand the plant, to establish a preferred design concept that will meet all treatment goals and achieve the desired balance between community, environmental, and operational objectives.

An important component of this study involves consultation with interested stakeholders (public and regulatory agencies). Two public meetings were held as part of the Master Plan, and two additional meetings are included in the Class EA process. The first of these meetings was held on January 29th, 2004, and the second is scheduled for:

Thursday, June 3rd, 2004

Open House: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Presentation: 7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers at Halton Regional Administration Centre  
 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville

At the June 3rd meeting, attendees will be able to meet the Project Team and members of the Citizen's Advisory Committee, learn about the current operations at the plant, review the decision-making process used to develop the preferred design, and examine the recommended design approach and implementation plan for the expansion. The Project Team will also provide information on how issues of particular importance to the community, such as the potential for odour and protection of water quality, will be addressed in the expansion.

For more information, please visit the Region's website at [www.region.halton.on.ca](http://www.region.halton.on.ca) or contact:

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## It's a Boy!

The Cameron Chiropractic Clinic  
 welcomes



**Aidan Phillip MacKenzie**

Born to Angela, our Massage Therapist  
 and her husband Ken MacKenzie on  
 Tuesday, April 6, 2004, weighing 8 lbs 6 oz.

**Congratulations!**

Angela MacKenzie has returned from  
 maternity leave, and is accepting patients  
 as of May 25, 2004.

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 GAMBLE  
 WITH  
 YOUR  
 LIFE**



Shooting drugs is no different than shooting dice: you'll be on a roll for a while, but one time is all it takes to end the game.

Drug addiction can happen quickly and be hard to beat. So, why play games with your health and well-being? It's not a gamble worth taking.