

Don't miss the Annual Rabies Vaccination and Micro-Chipping Day

at the Upper Credit Humane Society

Date & Time:
Saturday, September 18
 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
Note: One day only.



Please... Pets must be leashed or crated.

Cost:
 Rabies Vaccination (per animal) **\$10.00**
 Micro-Chipping (per animal) **\$25.00**

Special Deal: Get both for only \$32.00!!

Place:

The Upper Credit Humane Society is conveniently located in the Town of Erin at the junction of Hwy. 124 (the Guelph Road) and Wellington Rd 24 (Trafalgar Rd. North) just across the road from the Petro Canada Station and Judy's Restaurant.
 Telephone: 519-833-2287

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Province has its own vision of local growth

While the ink hasn't even dried on the Regional Official Plan, the province sees huge changes to the growth in Halton Hills.

The Regional Official Plan and the Town Official Plan have stressed there will be no immediate expansion of the urban boundaries of Acton and Georgetown. Now the province may have a different vision from ours. Let me explain.

The province has divested itself from land use planning in the mid-1990s. Over the course of the last several months, the new provincial government has, through a number of initiatives, re-emerged as an active participant in big picture land use and infrastructure planning. These include Bill 26, the proposed Strong Communities (Planning) Amendment Act, Bill 27, the recently proclaimed Greenbelt Protection Act, the revised (draft) Provincial Policy Statement, Source Water Protection, the Greenbelt Task Force, and a long term Growth Management Plan. As you can see, this is a complicated issue.

With respect to the Growth Management Plan, in July the province released *Places to Grow—A Discussion Paper, Summer 2004—Better Choices, Brighter Future*, which is an ambitious plan to direct growth to 2031 in the Greater Golden Horseshoe Area (GGHA). The GGHA is projected to increase in population by almost four million, bringing the area population to over 11 million by 2031, while also increasing employment opportunities by two million persons.

The plan places a greater emphasis on accommodating population and employment growth within Priority Urban Centres through infill, brownfield redevelopment and intensification, more so than has occurred in the past. Additional urban lands are to be identified on the basis of comprehensive and strategic long-term planning programs.

THE MAYOR'S MESSAGE



Rick Bonnette

Halton Region has been identified as one of the five target areas to be further examined for potential to accommodate additional growth beyond what is currently planned. The province is currently seeking comment on *Places to Grow* by Sept. 24, prior to finalizing the document. Given that the Plan has significant long-term implications for the town and the region, we are working with the other Halton municipalities to develop a coordinated response on the document. A copy of *Places to Grow* can be found at www.places.togrow.pir.gov.on.ca.

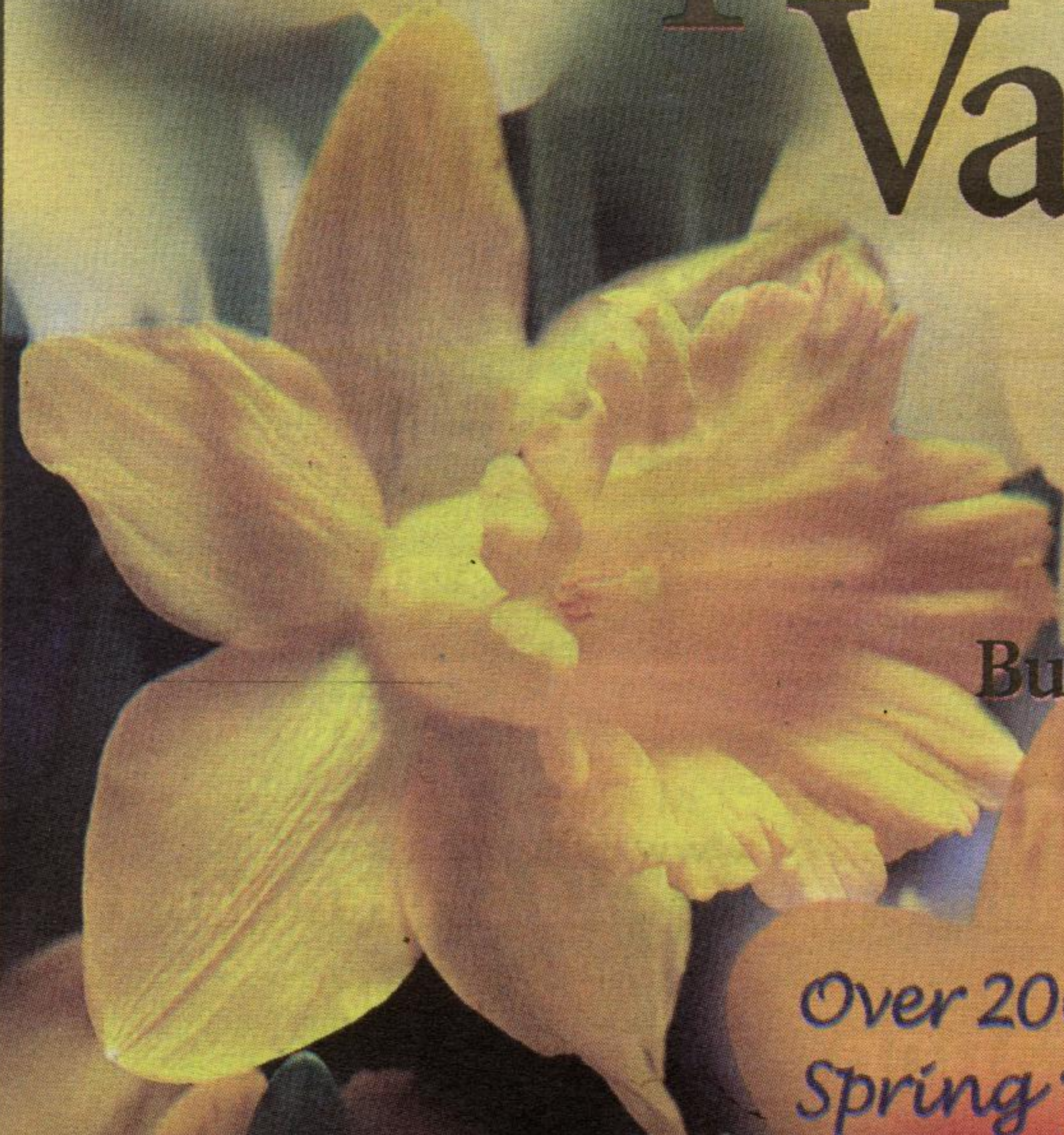
It has recently come to my attention that limousine services are operating illegally within Halton Hills. Limousines have the same legal requirements and obligations as taxicabs, but do not include limousines conveying passengers to or from an airport.

Our enforcement staff are currently investigating these operations to ensure they are licensed, fit, and insured for public liability (passengers). Limousine services currently licensed in Halton Hills are: Starr Limousine Service and Preferred Limousine.

I can be reached by telephone at 905-873-2601, ext. 2342, or by e-mail mayor@haltonhills.ca

—Rick Bonnette is the mayor of Halton Hills

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