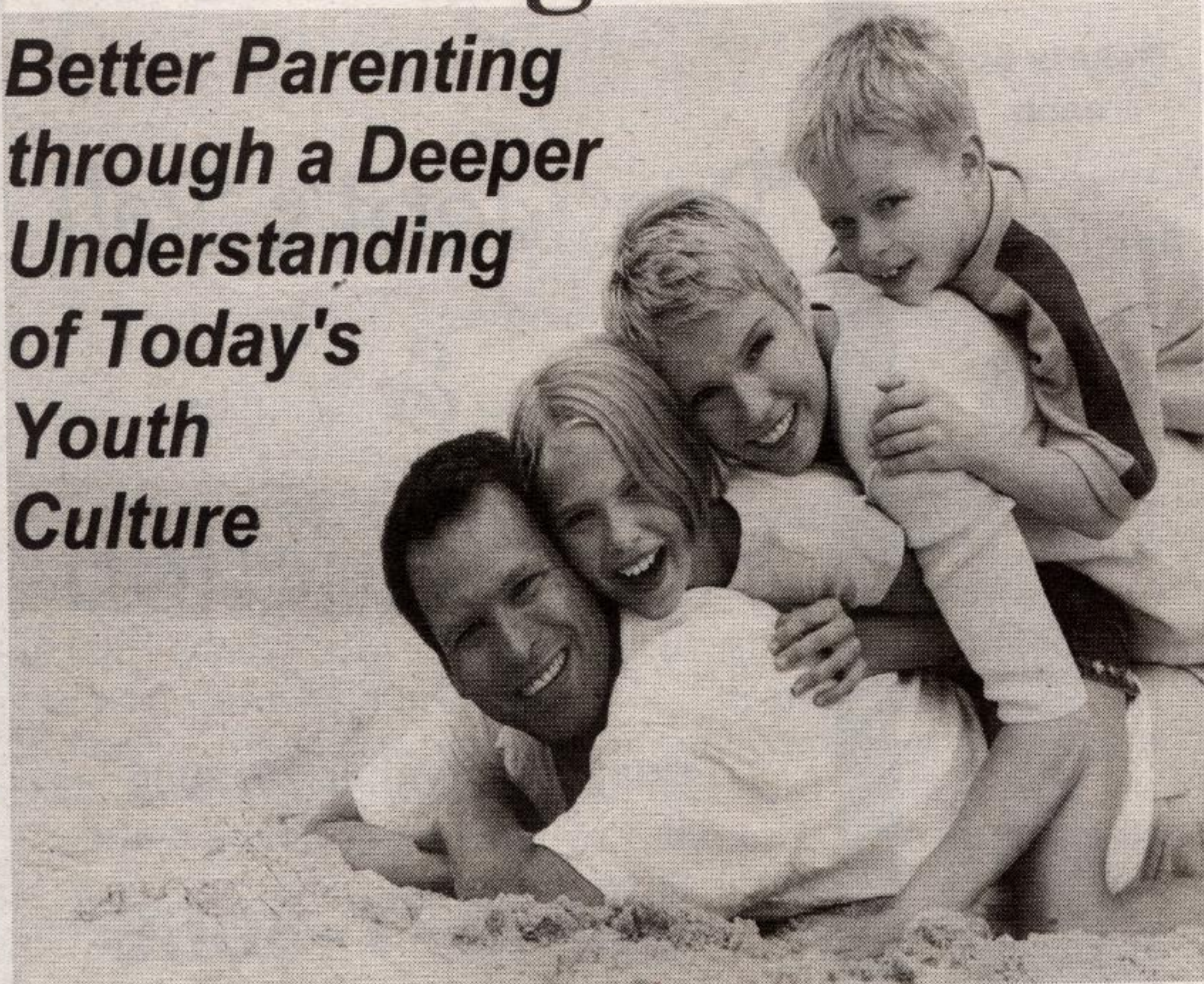


Beginning Thursday September 22nd Parenting Seminars

**Better Parenting
through a Deeper
Understanding
of Today's
Youth
Culture**



Seminar Speaker: Paul Robertson

- "Understanding Why They Do The Things They Do"
Thursday September 22 7:30PM @ Christ The King High School
 - "Understanding Why Music is More Than Noise"
Thursday September 29 7:30PM @ Georgetown High School
 - "Understanding Media in the Minds of our Kids"
Thursday October 6 7:30PM @ Georgetown High School
 - "Understanding the Power of Permissive Friends"
Thursday October 13 7:30PM @ Georgetown High School
 - "Understanding Postmodern Youth Culture"
Thursday October 20 7:30PM @ Georgetown High School
- For More Info or to Register Call 905-873-9652 or
www.georgetownchristianfellowship.com**

New rules in effect for pit bull owners

Most dog owners are responsible people who comply with bylaws pertaining to dogs, and the Dog Owners' Liability Act.

Unfortunately, there are times when dogs do bite other animals or humans. Those incidents can become the focus of an investigation, or the media. As a result of such attention, there have been amendments to the Dog Owners' Liability Act (DOLA), which took effect on August 29.

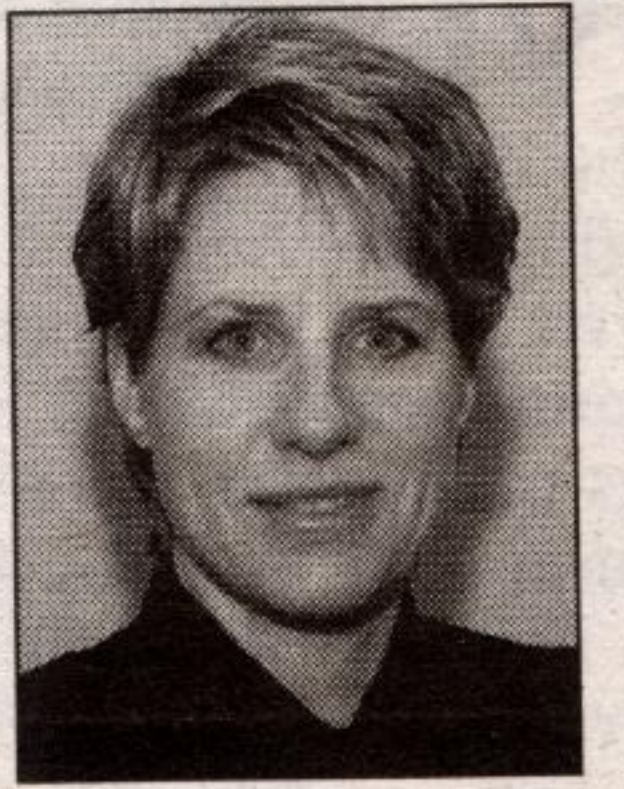
The amendments will prohibit anyone from owning, breeding, transferring, importing, fighting or abandoning pit bulls in Ontario. The definition of a pit bull includes: pit bull terrier, Staffordshire bull terrier, American Staffordshire terrier, American pit bull terrier or a dog that has an appearance and physical characteristics that are substantially similar to any of the aforementioned dogs.

There are exemptions to the law for Ontario residents who already own a pit bull. The "grandfathering" clause allows existing pit bulls to remain in Ontario, provided that the owner can prove that the pit bull was in Ontario prior to August 29, 2005 or born within 90 days of August 29. The most effective way to prove that is to have the dog(s) licenced by the Town of Halton Hills prior to that date. The other benefit to having them licenced by the town is to ensure their return if they become lost.

"Grandfathered" pit bulls must be leashed and muzzled in public, and spayed or neutered by Oct. 28, 2005. The onus of proof that a dog is not a pit bull will lie with the owner of a dog, if breed becomes an issue.

A mandatory destruction order will be issued by the court if a pit bull owner is found to have contravened a provision of the DOLA, or their dog has bitten, attacked or posed a menace to public safety.

**911/
411**



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There is a 60-day transition period, which began Aug. 29, for owners to comply with this new legislation.

If you would like to find out more about the changes to the DOLA and regulations, you can visit www.attorneygeneral.jus.gov.on.ca.

This weekend is the Georgetown Fall Fair. I have a suggestion for parents who have kids old enough to attend the fair on their own. Make arrangements in advance to pick them up somewhere outside the fairgrounds.

The fair closes at 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday and the public will be moved out of the grounds at that time; no cars will be allowed to enter. It will be very difficult to find individuals in the crowd, so arrange to meet at an intersection or landmark in the neighbourhood, rather than inside, or at the entrance.

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

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



Georgetown District Senior Centre Open House/Registration Week September 12 to 16

318 Guelph Street (Indoor Mall)
905-877-6444

- MONDAY, SEPT. 12**
- 9:00 am - Carpet Bowling - Come out & learn
 - 9:00 am - Woodcarving Demo
 - 9:30 am - Stretch & Tone Demo
 - 1:00 pm - Computer Course Demo
 - 1:00 pm - Bid Euchre
 - 1:30 pm - Scottish Dancing

- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14**
- 9:00 am - T'ai Chi Demonstration
 - 10:00 am - Line Dancing Demo
 - 10:00 am - Mingle & Chat - join us for coffee and conversation
 - 10:00 am - Paper Tole Demo
 - 11:00 am - T'ai Chi Fan Demonstration
 - 1:00 pm - Euchre/Social Bridge
 - 1:00 pm - Art Club

- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15**
- 9:00 am - Sizzlin' Seniors Demo
 - 10:00 am - Coffee Time with The Band
 - 12:45 pm - Chess
 - 1:00 pm - Darts
 - 1:00 pm - Cribbage/Shuffleboard

Everyone 55 plus Welcome!

- TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13**
- 9:00 am - Easy Does It Demo
 - 9:00 am - Crafts - come out and join us
 - 9:00 am - Qi Gong Demonstration
 - 10:00 am - Travel Desk
 - 12:00 noon - Open House BBQ and Musical Entertainment
 - 1:00 pm - Card Games
 - 2:00 pm - Square Dancing Demo

WELCOME BACK BARBECUE
Tuesday, Sept. 13

Hot Dog -	\$1.00
Corn on the Cob -	.50
Coffee/Tea, Lemonade -	.50
Pop -	.65

Open House Draws
50/50 Draw
Tour Facility and participate in Instructed programs

- FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16**
- 9:00 am - Crafts
 - 9:00 am - Carpet Bowling
 - 11:00 am - Draws
 - 12:30 pm - Duplicate Bridge
 - 1:00 pm - Card games - come out and join us

**Billiards Monday to Friday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm**

First Time Memberships valid from September 2005 to December 31, 2006 - Cost \$33.00
Anyone Renewing their Membership for 2006 - Cost \$25.00

