

## They paved paradise...

This has been an historic week for me. You see, they paved paradise and put up a parking lot. Hmmm, that has a familiar ring to it... could make a great song title.

Anyway, for as long as I can remember, (recently, that might be what I had for breakfast this morning,) I've been waiting patiently for the Town of Halton Hills to pave my road.

Okay, now before I get three memos and two e-mails from wannabe engineers out there, saying 'it's not pavement, only a surface treatment,' I have one response.

For the record, I'm saying pavement, and even though it's correctly referred to as surface treatment, you can just deal with it.

Bottom line—it beats the hell outta mud.

Years ago I wrote a column about traffic lights and pedestrian crossing signals and made a tongue-in-cheek comment about how the lights work, giving them human traits—which prompted an engineer from the City of Brampton to send me a full-blown diatribe explaining how traffic lights work. Seems he had *waaay* too much time on his hands.

So once and for all, for those 'lay' people out there, it's pavement, okay?

This 'pavement' is the culmination of decades of lobbying, petitioning, threatening and even shameless groveling, to get the powers that be to apply some sort of a hard surface to my road, thereby eliminating that bath of mud that invariably followed every rainfall—sometimes rivaling a WW1 battleground.

And every year, as I bugged then Town engineer Bob Austin about when it was being paved, he was always apologetic (and usually sympathetic) as he told me it had been 'moved ahead yet again.'

Lately, members of Halton Hills council have been referring to my road as 'Brown's Expressway', but for the record, I'm consider-

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ing lobbying for 'Brown's Line.'

It has a nice historic ring to it...

I know my neighbours have smirked as I amble the little red rocket up the road at a snail's pace to avoid the mud spray.

And I have no problem with them enjoying a light moment at my expense.

I know I'm anal—damn proud of it.

One even joked that if I was that concerned about the mud on my car, why not just install a drive-thru car wash part way in my lane.

Again, I took it all in stride, enjoying the fact that saving my brake calipers, suspension and CV joints from mud was the real reason I crawled up the road, not the paint on the car.

Besides, I'm pretty sure the Niagara Escarpment Commission wouldn't allow me to build a car wash there anyway.

But those days are all gone—I have pavement! (Okay surface treatment for the purists.)

No more potholes, no more washboard, no more mud! No more relatives calling to see if it rained recently before dropping by for a visit—okay, I guess there has to be some sort of a down side to this pavement thing.

But now the little red rocket can meander up the road, comfort in the knowledge her 'under parts' are mud free.

So they've paved paradise... but I ain't holding out for the parking lot.

## Thursday Morning Madness



### at Acton Indoor Pool!

Wake up with a morning workout in the pool or bring your little ones to start their day off with a swimming lesson!

#### Preschool Swimming Lessons

Parent & Tot 1, 2 & 3  
(3 months to 3 years)  
Preschool Levels A/B & C/D  
3 to 5 years  
\$47.63/9 weeks

#### Adult AquaFit

9 to 9:45 am  
\$57/9 weeks

Register the easy way - online with Reg-e at [www.haltonhills.ca](http://www.haltonhills.ca) or by phone with Tele-Reg at 905-873-2498. Family PIN & Visa/Mastercard payment required.



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### CREDIT VALLEY ARTISANS FALL 2005 COURSES

For information and registration, contact CVA registrar Glenda Fillmore: 905-873-7823 e-mail: [gfillmore@hotmail.com](mailto:gfillmore@hotmail.com)



**TRADITIONAL OIL GLAZE PAINTING** - Instructor: Kathy Bailey <http://www3.sympatico.ca/blakat>  
8 Wednesdays, Sept. 21 to Nov. 9, 12:30 - 3:30 PM - cost \$195.00 (CVA members \$183)

**DECORATIVE STAINED GLASS - BEGINNER LEVELS I and II** - Instructor: Susan Kerr  
8 Thursdays, Sept. 22 - Nov. 10, 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. - cost \$136 (CVA members \$125)

**INTRODUCTION TO ACRYLIC PAINTING** - Instructor: Jan Zimmerman  
4 Saturdays, Sept. 24 - Oct. 15, 10:00 am - 1 P.M. - cost \$64.00 (CVA members \$58.00)

**POTTERY FOR ADULTS - BEGINNER & INTERMEDIATE**, Instructor: Frans Rood  
10 Tuesdays, Sept.27-Nov.29, 7:00 - 10:00 P.M. - cost \$198.00 (CVA members \$183.00)

**NEEDLEFELT A GNOME** - create a jolly little elf in one day! Instructor Jane Altobelli  
Sunday, October 23, 10:00 am - 5 pm - cost \$67 (CVA members \$63) Bring a lunch!

**WATERCOLOUR FOR EVERYONE** - Instructor: William Band <http://www.williambandstudio.com>  
4 Mondays, October 3 - 24, 12:00 noon - 3:00 P.M. - cost \$52.00 (CVA members \$45.00)

All courses held in Cedarvale Cottage - located in the park at the corner of Maple and Main. We require pre-registration for all courses! email: [gfillmore@hotmail.com](mailto:gfillmore@hotmail.com) for information



## 2006 EAGLES TRYOUT SCHEDULE

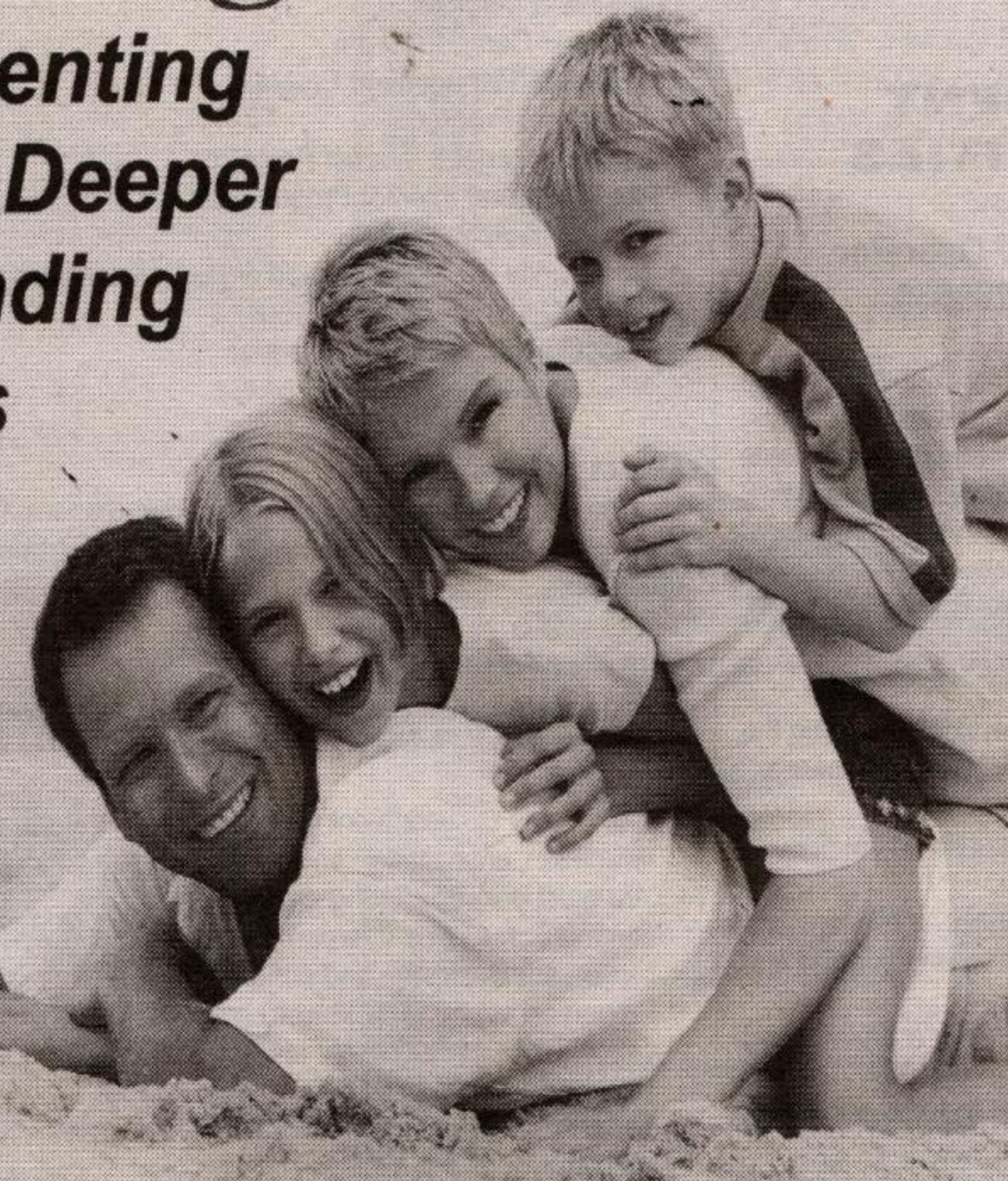
	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> 11 - 1 Gellert # 2	Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> 6 - 7:30 Gellert # 2	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> 6 - 7:30 Gellert # 2
<b>Rookie ball</b> Born in 1997 & 1998			
<b>Minor Mosquito</b> Born in 1996	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> 11 - 1 Gellert # 3	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> 11 - 1 Gellert # 2	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 Gellert # 2
<b>Mosquito</b> Born in 1995	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> 9 - 11 Gellert # 2	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> 9 - 11 Gellert # 2	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> 6 - 7:30 Gellert # 2
<b>Minor Pee Wee</b> Born in 1994	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> 9 - 11 Gellert # 2	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> 9 - 11 Gellert # 2	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> 9 - 11 Gellert # 3
<b>Pee Wee</b> Born in 1993	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> 1 - 3 Gellert # 2	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> 1 - 3 Gellert # 2	
<b>Minor Bantam</b> Born in 1992	Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 Gellert # 1	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> 6 - 8 Gellert # 1	
<b>Bantam</b> Born in 1991	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 6 - 7:30 Gellert # 1	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> 6 - 7:30 Gellert # 1	Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> 10 - 12 Gellert # 1
<b>Minor Midget</b> Born in 1990	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> 2 - 4 Gellert # 1	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> 7 - 9 Gellert # 1	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> 11 - 1 Gellert # 1
<b>Midget</b> Born in 1988 & 1989	Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> 4 - 6 Gellert # 1	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> 7 - 9 Gellert # 1	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> 7:30 - 9:30 Gellert # 1

Any players ages 19-21 interested in playing Junior Baseball should contact Steve Graham at 905-877-2921 or email [sgraham2@cogeco.ca](mailto:sgraham2@cogeco.ca)

GBA Office: 905-877-3748

## Beginning Thursday September 22nd Parenting Seminars

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

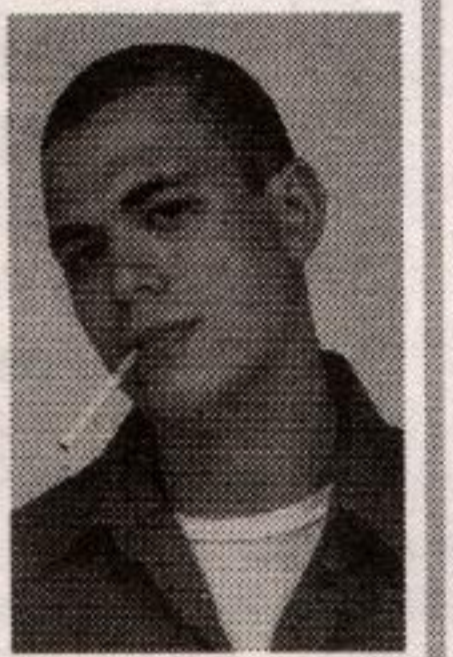


Seminar Speaker: Paul Robertson

- "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](http://www.georgetownchristianfellowship.com)

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