

Election notebook

Advance polls attract 4,700 voters

Over the weekend, 4,766 voters took advantage of the advance polls in the Wellington-Halton Hills riding.

Local returning officer Joseph Kuglin said that was on par with advance polls in the June 2004 election. Nation-wide there was a 25 per cent increase in the number of people who voted early.

The Wellington-Halton Hills riding has 76,979 eligible voters. In the last election there were just over 50,000 people on the voters' list.

Election Day is Monday, Jan. 23. For more information about voting call the local returning office, 1-866-281-5091. It's located at 21 Main St. N. in Acton.

Chong tops students' vote

And the winner is Mike Chong—according to Acton High School students who voted in a mock federal election earlier this week.

Wellington Halton-Hills Conservative candidate Chong earned 34 per cent of the popular vote from students at the school, or 191 votes overall.



Green Party candidate Brent Bouteiller was second with 83 votes and Noel Duignan of the NDP came in third with 45 votes.

Independent candidate Mike Wisniewski placed fourth with 43 votes beating Liberal Rod Finnie who received 38 votes.

Christian Heritage Party candidate Carolann Krusky received one vote.

Polls close at 9:30 p.m.

Voters will have 12 hours to cast their ballots on Monday. Polls open at 9:30 a.m. and will close at 9:30 p.m.

Monday forecast is good

The weather is expected to co-operate on election day with Environment Canada calling for a mix of sun and cloud and a high of 0C and a low of -2C.

Police blotter

Police investigating break-in at school

Halton Police are investigating a break and enter into George Kennedy Public School sometime over the weekend.

A window was broken and a screen was

removed to gain entry into a classroom.

Police say the door of the classroom was locked so the culprit(s) could not get any further into the school.

Nothing was taken.



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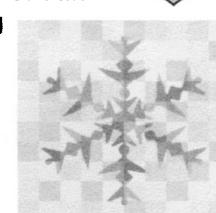
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