Halton a World Class Place To Be.

The Regional
Municipality of Halton

The Future of Economic Development in Halton

Halton has launched its Comprehensive Economic Development Study to guide the Region's economic development into the future. The Study will help us sustain a prosperous and balanced economy.

Come out, learn about the study, get your questions answered and make your opinions count!

Date: **Thursday, March 9, 2006**

When: **Drop in session at 6:30 p.m.**
Presentation starts at 7:00 p.m., followed by questions and answers

Where: **Halton Regional Administration Centre,**
1151 Bronte Road, Oakville
South Auditorium

Business Development Centre

We want your business to succeed. The following programs and services are available to help your business.

Youth Opportunities
- Business Plan Competition
- Summer Company

Exporting
- Seminars
- Business Consultant
- Networking Alliance

Start-up
- Seminars
- Business Consultants
- Business Registration
- Resource Library
- Public Use Computers

Business Retention, Expansion and Site Location
- Seminars
- Mentorship Program
- Site Location Assistance
- Workforce Development
- Regional Innovation Networks

Upcoming Seminars/Workshops Include:

Starting a Small Business Information Seminars: Mon., March 6 (afternoon session) and Wed., March 22 (evening session).

Up & Running BizLaunch Program: Just 10 evenings (6:30 – 9:30 p.m.) will help you to build your dream business. The next program starts Tues., March 7.

Building a Marketing System Workshop: Learn how to build a marketing system that will relentlessly generate revenues for your business on Wed., March 22.

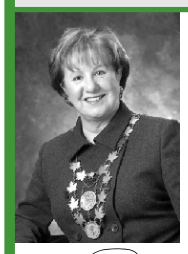
Summer Company: Provides hands-on business training and mentoring, along with awards of up to $3,000, to help students aged 15 to 29 start and run their own business. Deadline for applications: April 10, 2006.

Business Plan Competition: Win up to $1,000 for writing a business plan! Open to all secondary school students. Deadline for submissions from schools: June 2, 2006.

Halton Region - McMaster University Learning Series: A learning opportunity for senior executives. Mark your calendars for lunch on April 27, May 18 and June 7. Topics will be research and innovation, intellectual property and university – industry partnerships.

Contact us for more information on these events and how to register.

Residents encouraged to complete online survey



Chairman
Joyce Savoline

Last week we held the last of our four open houses on the draft 2006-2010 Solid Waste Management Strategy. We also have an online survey available for residents who may not have been able to attend the public forums.

Halton Region, in co-operation with the citizen advisory Joint Municipal/Regional Waste Management Committee has updated the 1999 Strategy in order to identify initiatives to extend the life of our landfill, propose waste diversion activities for the next five years, as well as options for managing our waste beyond 2010. The success of the strategy will be dependent on your participation, so it is important that we hear your thoughts.

To view the draft 2006-2010 Solid Waste Management Strategy and complete the online survey before March 17, please go to our website at www.halton.ca.

Halton Regional Meeting Schedule:

March 21	9:30 a.m. -	Health & Social Services Committee
March 22	9:30 a.m. -	Planning & Public Works Committee
March 22	1:30 p.m. -	Administration & Finance Committee

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Teen seeks vote as People's Choice

ERICA MERCER

Erica Mercer needs your vote. The 19-year-old Georgetown woman is competing this weekend in the Miss Canada Petite 2006 regional competition in Toronto.

Mercer, a graduate of the Mellennia Institute of Aesthetics, will be competing in swimsuit, evening gown, talent, interview and platform statement for the title. If she wins, she will move on to the national competition to be held in Edmonton.

Residents can choose Mercer as their favourite People's Choice award by going to www.misscanada.tv/home and clicking on Erica.

The event is sponsored by Miss Canada Globe Productions.

Masquerade Ball to aid needy dogs and cats

Upper Credit Humane Society will host its major fund-raising event, a Masquerade Ball, on March 25.

This dinner and dance with a silent auction, will feature magician Alan Grose, at the Caledon Golf and Country Club. Cocktails will be held at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $80.

For more information or tickets, call the shelter at 519-833-2287. Tickets also available at: Global Pet Foods, Georgetown, or Graham's Animal Hospital, Hillsburgh.

Acting/Modeling Opportunities

Have you always wondered how people get into Sears catalogues, Walmart and Royal Bank TV commercials, movies, Canadian Tire ads, music videos and more?

It's no secret - many of those people got their start by attending a StarQuest Search.

The film and advertising industry is booming. Scouting all looks, shapes, sizes and ethnicities. Newborn to senior - no experience necessary.

Don't miss this opportunity!

GEORGETOWN - Monday March 6th
North Halton Golf Club - 363 Maple Ave.
Arrive Anytime Between 5:00pm-8:00pm

For more information visit www.starquest-talent.com

ANNOUNCEMENT

LOOK WHO'S BACK!

Georgetown Chevrolet welcomes . . .

Dave Deacon

to our Sales team.

See page 15 for Dave's Super Deals!

Dave welcomes all his past and future customers, friends and neighbours to drop in and say hello.
(Coffee's on Dave)

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