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WEDNESDAY...

The Salvation Army is expected to receive one of the largest living donations in its history from a local couple. For details see Wednesday's edition.

Crazy Outhouse Race leaves runners pooped



Cancer Assistance Services of Halton Hills held its annual Crazy Outhouse Race on Main St. in Georgetown Saturday and among those taking part were (from left) James Monteath, Christine Monteath and Steve Vujnovic from the Merdeka team. (Above) Mike Holmes, star of the *Holmes on Homes* TV show tried his hand at the toilet paper toss.

Photos by Sabrina Byrnes

Hydro plant a possibility for Corridor

CYNTHIA GAMBLE Staff Writer

Either Milton or Halton Hills will likely be the site of Ontario's next hydro generating station, and already one company is proposing to build it in Hornby.

Paul J. Bradley, vice-president of generation development of the Ontario Power Authority (OPA), an agency of the provincial government which ensures the energy needs of Ontario residents are met, spoke about future hydro generating plans to Halton Hills council Monday night.

OPA's mandate includes seeking out new energy generating entrepreneurs. Last year, it put out a call for a 500-1,000 mega-watt hydro generating station to ease the electricity crisis for the western

Greater Toronto Area. Of the initial 13 proposals, OPA has narrowed its competition to six.

These six will now hold public meetings over the summer to gauge public reaction.

The first to announce their proposal is TransCanada Energy Ltd., which is proposing the Halton Hills Generating Station. A public meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday (June 7), 4:30-8:30 p.m. (presentation at 6:45 p.m.) at Pineview Public School (corner of Five Sideroad and Trafalgar Rd.)

The proposal is for a 680-mega-watt natural gas-fuelled, combined cycle power plant, located on the southwest corner of Sixth Line South and Steeles Ave. in Halton Hills' 401-407 Gateway Business Park (401 Corridor).

So far no other companies have publicized their proposals, and due to confidentiality, the

OPA will not release their names, Bradley said. However, he noted that the selected plant (all utilizing natural gas) would likely be located in Halton Hills or Milton since the generating plant will be tied into the Trafalgar Rd. transformer station, which is one of three stations that supply power to the GTA.

Mayor Rick Bonnette, in an interview Wednesday, confirmed one or two other companies have been enquiring about sites in Halton Hills.

While he is concerned that a hydro generating plant could set up in the 401-407 Gateway Business Park, which the Town has designated for prestige development, Bonnette says that industrial location is a better place than urban Acton or Georgetown.

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