



Warriors honoured

The annual Warrior's Day parade was held in Georgetown last week with local Legion members and veterans taking part in a parade from the Legion to Remembrance Park. Members from Legion Post 40 in Plymouth, Massachusetts joined their sister post Branch 120 for the ceremony and a barbecue. (Top) Local veteran Shell Lawr gets a warm greeting from fellow Branch 120 member Marion Carney while (right) highly decorated U.S. veteran George Leyman offers a salute. (Below) Youngster Emery Williams gets a close-up look at a Plymouth veteran as he marches past.



Photos by Shawn McAlpine



CtK students to be joined by construction workers when school resumes

When Christ the King students return to school next week, they will be joined by construction workers.

The Georgetown Catholic high school will be expanded by 12 classrooms this year and construction is slated to begin at the end of summer.

School starts for all 28,000 Catholic students in Halton on Tuesday, September 5. All bus information, including bus stop times, stop location and route numbers will be posted at the main entrance of each school by Tuesday, August 29.

HCDSB anticipates an overall growth in enrolment of approximately 875 students. The projected enrolment figures indicate that 28,505 students (19,265 elementary and 9,240 secondary) will be returning to the 37 elementary and seven secondary schools on opening day, compared to 27,630 last year. The board employs 3,141 staff, with the total number of new teachers hired to date for this school year now at 43 (24 elementary and 19 secondary).

The last day of instruction for elementary students will be Friday, June 29, 2007 and for secondary students, the last day of instruction will be Thursday, June 28, 2007. Examinations for secondary school students have been scheduled for January 25-31, 2007 and June 21-27, 2007. The total number of instructional days is 190, plus six professional development days.

The statutory holidays and school break periods for 2006-2007 include:

- Oct. 9, Thanksgiving Day

- Dec. 23-January 7 (Christmas Break)

- March 9-16, March Break
- April 6, Good Friday
- April 9, Easter Monday
- May 21, Victoria Day

"The Halton Catholic District School Board continues to recognize the importance of student learning in the early years," said Director of Education Lou Piovesan. "The Primary Class Size Reduction initiative, now in the third year of a four-year implementation plan, will effectively continue to reduce class sizes in the JK to Grade 3 classes in order to achieve the government's 20:1 class size for the 2007-2008 school year."

The Board's web site (www.hcdsb.org) provides relevant information on board issues and links to individual school pages.

Second candidate seeks chair's job

Another candidate has signed on to run in the upcoming municipal election.

Robert Plaschka of Elmhurst Cr., Burlington filed his nomination papers last Wednesday for the position of regional chair.

To date there are only two candidates vying for the region's top job—Plaschka and Gary Carr, also of Burlington.

Candidates have until September 29 to declare nominations for the election set for Monday, Nov. 13.



On the buses


Marilyn Madill, a driver with Laidlaw Education Services, gives some safety tips to Dylan Spencer, 4, while his mom Linda (right) looks on Saturday at Georgetown District High School. The Halton School Bus Safety Committee held the free sessions, with the help of school bus company safety officers and bus drivers, to discuss overall bus safety with new riders and parents.

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