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It's Fire Prevention Week so Watch What You Heat

Halton Hills firefighters will be in Georgetown Marketplace this week getting the message out that everyone should use safe cooking practices because cooking equipment is the number one cause of preventable home fires in Ontario.

"Prevent Cooking Fires— Watch What You Heat" is the theme for Fire Prevention Week, which runs from Oct. 8 to 14.

Throughout the week firefighters from Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services will be on hand at their display in the mall offering up fire prevention tips,

brochures, pamphlets and booklets.

Area residents can check out a mock-up display of the devastating effects a kitchen fire can have in their home and see how a small fire on the stove can quickly escalate into a fire causing thousands of dollars in damage.

There will also be lucky draws for a 20" television, DVD player and a backpack full of special items for children.

The services' antique 1926 Studebaker pumper, L'il Squirt and Freddie the Fire Truck will also be on display.



Atlas launch

At a recent Hearthsides Dinner series at Halton Regional Museum, Halton Museum Foundation chair Tim Kingsbury (left) presented Halton resident Susan Tor with one of the first nine leather-bound reproduction atlases to be sold. The atlas, an exact reproduction of the 1877 Halton County Atlas, has been printed in a limited run of 500 standard quality, and 150 numbered limited editions, which are bound in leather, come complete with an exclusive cloth jacket, wooden case and are signed by all the mayors and others in Halton Region. The standard atlas sells for \$99.99 and the limited edition leather-bound atlas is priced at \$450. Anyone wishing to purchase either can contact Halton Regional Museum at 905-875-2200.

Photo by Ted Brown

Community plan gets support from Region

MELANIE HENNESSEY
Special to The IFP

After more than a year of public consultation and research, a community plan that supports Halton's non-profit and voluntary sector is ready.

The initiative, which received support from the Region's health and social services committee recently, was crafted to help move the sector from potential crisis mode to long-term sustainability.

Created by the Chairman's Roundtable on the Non-Profit and Voluntary Sector, the plan contains 15 recommendations that respond to current trends and issues, ranging from raising awareness about the importance and value of volunteerism to reducing the competitive environment around fundraising.

Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline applauded the document, calling it a "made-in-Halton solution."

"It is truly one-of-a-kind," she remarked. "I think it (the plan) was a real passion for all of us. It was really a hands-on group."

Burlington Councillor Joan Lougheed spoke about the public forum recently held to present the roundtable's findings and recommendations to the community— an event that was attended by over 300 people.

In addition to endorsing the plan, the committee also supported having Savoline request meetings with applicable federal and provincial ministers to review the plan and seek support for the actions within it.

Another community forum will be held November 1 to launch the plan.

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