

# EDUCATION

## Recycling brings bucks to AHS

Acton High School Technological Design teacher Norbert Axtmann recently received a cheque for \$320 from Chris Burt, Divisional Sales manager of Staples Business Depot in Milton.

Under Axtmann's initiative, the school participated in the Recycle for Education program that is designed to educate adults and kids on the

benefits and importance of recycling ink and toner cartridges.

The school has been involved in the program for the past year and the program is expected to raise \$225,000 in total for participating schools.

Halton Hills residents can help raise funds for local schools by simply dropping off your empty ink and toner cartridges at any Staples Business Depot or at the high school. Every eligible ink and toner cartridge donated will return one dollar to local schools registered in the program.



## St. Brigid aids the food bank

Tracey Reid, (left) facility manager at Georgetown Bread Basket food bank recently dropped by St. Brigid's School to pick up a large food donation of 2,300 items, collected by the Grade 7 students as part of their month-long Making Poverty History campaign. Teacher Erin Smith (right) presented the donation on behalf of the students.

Photo by Ted Brown

## Scholarships available to hard of hearing pupils

Scholarship application forms are now available for students needing assistance for the 2007-2008 academic year.

Through the CHHA (Canadian Hard of Hearing Association) Scholarship Program, two \$1,000 scholarships are awarded annually for hard of hearing, deafened and oral deaf post-secondary students. The CHHA Scholarship was established to offer financial assistance and recognition to hard of hearing and deafened students registered in a full-time program at

a recognized Canadian college or university, in any area of study, with the ultimate goal of obtaining a diploma or degree.

Applications for both scholarships will be accepted from any hard of hearing, deafened or oral deaf student registered in a full-time program at a Canadian post-secondary institution. The deadline for submissions is January 31, 2007. For more information, please visit the CHHA website: <http://chha.ca/chha/scholarships-index.php>

## AHS annual craft sale set for Nov. 25

The 11th annual Acton High School craft sale will be held on Saturday, Nov. 25, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the school, 21 Cedar Rd.

Up to 50 vendors will be offering a wide variety of items, just in time for Christmas shopping. There will be a bake sale and raffle of items donated by our vendors. Lunch and refreshments are available too.

This sale is sponsored by Acton High School Advisory Council and students will be assisting the parents to make this a memorable event.

All proceeds from table rentals, admission, bake, raffle and refreshment sales will directly benefit student activities.


Admission is \$2 adults and children under 12 are free. Please contact Acton High School for more details, 519-853-2920.



## Families donate to Stewarttown School

Thanks to the efforts of some parents at Stewarttown Middle School, the school now has a new beach volleyball court in the back yard, at a significant reduction in cost. Gabrielle and Bob Allison of Allison's Farm Market, and Dave and Anne Clifford of Accent Landscaping Services, volunteered their time and equipment on Thanksgiving weekend to construct the court, with materials from CBM Aggregates Division of Limehouse. The donors were formally recognized for their time and efforts at a school assembly.

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**Exciting News about One on One Tutoring and how it will help your child!**

There is exciting research to support the benefits of one-on-one tutoring in improving students' grades, study skills, and self confidence. (Vadasy, Jenkins, Antil, Wayne, & O'Connor, 1997). As parents, we all want what is best for our children, and hiring a trained, dedicated private tutor is a growing habit of many parents. One on one tutoring will do much more than merely benefit the student who is experiencing difficulty with a particular subject. Private tutoring can also help the following students in the following ways:

- Private tutoring can help students with learning disabilities to master subjects and study skills while boosting their self confidence and allowing them to find and work within their academic strengths.
- Private tutoring can help academically and intellectually advanced students remain challenged and, therefore, interested in their education—and, because it is customized, one-to-one instruction, private tutoring can go at the accelerated pace necessary for such students (as reported by Dr. Charlton in "The Story of My Life" in Charlton, Marolf, & Stanley, 2002)

**One on one tutoring** will ensure that students have a firm grasp on academic basics so they will be prepared for standardized testing, and end of year exams, while acquiring "good work habits" necessary for success in school and in life!


And, yes, private tutoring will also help students who are having difficulty with a particular subject—for as we all know, few of us are equally good at every subject: some of us enjoy math, while some of us prefer language arts or history. Customized one on one tutoring ensures your child is getting individualized, curriculum appropriate learning, with no distractions, and maximum results!

Most importantly, a qualified educational tutor will instill confidence in your child, while ensuring key learning concepts are reinforced, and that your child is able to apply these concepts to their daily academic life. As the research shows, there is no better alternative to personalized, customized, one to one learning. Your child will thank you!

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