

Youths recognized for community spirit

Three local youths were among more than 100 nominees for this year's Ontario Community Newspaper Association (OCNA) Junior Citizen of the Year Awards.

Nominated in Halton Hills were Laura Crawford, 14, Heather MacKinnon, 17, of Georgetown and Noah MacDonald, 10, of Acton.

The youths, nominated through *The Independent & Free Press* are recognized annually by the Ontario Community Newspapers' Association (OCNA) and its Junior Citizen of the Year competition, for their outstanding contributions

to their communities as leaders of tomorrow.

None of the three Halton Hills nominees were selected as winners in the competition. There were 12 winners from across the province.

Crawford is a member of the 756 Wild Goose Squadron, Royal Canadian Air Cadets and the Precision Drill Team.

At school she is enrolled in the International Prep program and is a member of the Athletic Council, School Band, Junior Girls Varsity Basketball Team and also plays recreational soccer.

Last year she was also chosen to attend the U.S. Space and Rocket Centre in Huntsville, Alabama for a week where she was named the "Astronaut with the Right Stuff."

Last year while in Grade 8, Crawford won the Mathematics and Science award. Through her involvement with the Cadets she carries out citizenship duties including poppy sales for the legion, Remembrance Day parades, serving at veteran's and legion award dinners, and as a band member in Santa Claus parades. She has also participated in the Bell



The Ontario Community Newspapers Association, through *The Independent & Free Press*, recently honoured three local youths with Junior Citizen of the Year certificates for their community involvement. Accepting the certificates from *Independent & Free Press* managing editor John McGhie, were, from left, Noah MacDonald, Laura Crawford and Heather MacKinnon. Photo by Ted Brown



NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

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Concerning Applications to Amend the Town of Halton Hills Zoning By-law For land located at 89 Mill Street Part of Lots 26 and 27, Block 5 Registered Plan 31 Town of Halton Hills (Acton)

Town of Halton Hills Files D14ZBA07.002 (H.E.L.P. Safety Services, 89 Mill Street)

Further information is available in the Planning Department, Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, Ontario L7G 5G2 or contact the Planner assigned to the file, David VanderBerg at 905-873-2601, ext. 2214. A copy of the related Staff Report will be available on Friday March 16, 2007 on the Town's website at: http://www.haltonhills.ca/hap_news.asp

ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS ARE WELCOME.

DATE/TIME: MONDAY March 19, 2007 @ 7:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Council Chambers, Civic Centre
FILE NOS: D14ZBA07.002 (H.E.L.P. Safety Services, 89 Mill Street) 19

OVERNIGHT PARKING RESTRICTION

Uniform Traffic Control By-law No. 84-1 prohibits parking:

**2:00 A.M. – 7:00 A.M. (Daily)
November 15, 2006 to April 15, 2007**

On all streets under the jurisdiction of the Town of Halton Hills, unless authorized signs indicating otherwise are specifically posted. Motorists are reminded that By-law No. 84-1 also prohibits the parking of a vehicle on all Town or Regional Roads for longer than 3 consecutive hours at any single location, unless otherwise specifically posted.

On-street parking hinders snow clearing and other road maintenance operations. Your co-operation is requested. Please comply with the requirements of this By-law.

AUTHORITIES MAY HAVE VEHICLES TICKETED OR TOWED AWAY AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE.

Motorists should note that Town By-Law Enforcement Officers will be on patrol through the duration of the parking restriction period and will ticket and/or have the offending vehicle removed. Enforcement Officers will not enforce parking on sidewalks between 2:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. where the Town does not clear the sidewalks.

SNOW REMOVAL

The placing or pushing of snow or ice onto roadways or cleared sidewalks will obstruct or encumber vehicular and pedestrian traffic. Do not push snow across roadways because the trail of snow does turn to ice. The Town's Obstruction, Encumbering or Fouling of Highways By-law No. 90-68 prohibits such action.

Improper snow and ice clearing can be a serious hazard to motorists and pedestrians. Your co-operation is requested. Please comply with the requirements of this By-law.

Be alert for snow plows and stay back at least 15 meters behind snow plow trucks. Please avoid parking on streets during snowstorms to assist Public Works operations staff with providing safe, passable roads.

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Public Works & Building Services 20

Walk for Kids helping to raise money for the Kids Help Phone.

MacKinnon received the nomination for being a "self-motivated, community driven, people person."

She was the valedictorian of her Grade 8 class, was appointed to the Halton Catholic District School Board as a student trustee for the 2006/07 school year and her involvement as a volunteer on various initiatives such as Crop for Cancer, Relay for Hope, Walk for Prader-Willi Syndrome and North Halton Women's Institute.

Recently MacKinnon and her sister Karen hosted a successful fundraiser in town raising more than \$7,550 in total to be split between three different charities. They held the fund-

raiser because their brother, Alex Ringuette, suffers from acute lymphoblastic leukemia.

MacKinnon has also supported her family through difficult times in their lives, is involved in the North Halton Women's Institute and has consistently maintained an academic average above 80 per cent.

Although not the oldest, MacDonald is considered a leader in his family of six siblings (four brothers and two foster-brothers), he sets a good example for his brothers, helps them mediate disputes and

models good sportsmanship.

He was recently elected class Prime Minister by his classmates based on a campaign on anti-bullying and respect for all students, and is an altar server at St. Joseph Church in Acton.

This past summer MacDonald ran a charity campaign to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy research. His young nephew Ben suffers from that disease. He called the campaign "Buzz for Ben" and he and friends shaved their heads raising more than \$1,500 to donate to the Canadian Muscular Dystrophy Association.



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