



Grave reality

Robert Bateman High School students Andrei Biltan (left) and Danielle Burke (right) were joined by youth advisor Garmon Kwong as they set up a "Grave Reality" display of a mock cemetery with 16 tombstones to educate youth about the negative impact the tobacco industry is having worldwide. The display, at Georgetown District High School, was part of a campaign by Crave, a group of 18 high school students from the Halton area, who are trying to build awareness to the fact every day 13,700 people die worldwide from tobacco industry products.

Photo by Ted Brown

BACK TALK

By Dr. Gabor Madarasz



"Hey doc, I've got another friend that wants to meet you." "That's awesome Clare, what's her challenge?" I asked. Well, she's had major digestive issues and I told her about coming to get a computer scan and your guarantee." "I'm glad you did that since most people need some reassurance that they won't be wasting time or money."

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Town won't play Milton's road name game

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Staff Writer

Halton Hills council has rejected a Milton proposal to rename three roads shared between the two towns.

Milton wants to rename Fifth Line South, Fowles Rd. (after a Milton veteran) and Sixth Line, Drumquin Rd. (after a former settlement). The roads end in Halton Hills territory at Steeles Ave. Milton also wants Halton Hills to rename Five Sideroad, Campbellville Rd., between Dublin Line and Tremaine Rd. This road is the border between the municipalities and residents living on the south side have a Campbellville Rd. address and those living on the north side have a Five Sideroad address.

Milton wants to make the changes this summer.

But Ward 2 Councillor Joan Robson

called it an identity and cultural issue, wondering how long it will be before Brampton tries to rename Halton Hills roads.

"I don't think they (residents) would like the council and mayor of another town making a decision that affects all of us," she said. "It's a small area... but it could be the thin edge of the wedge."

Mayor Rick Bonnette said there is a cost to renaming addresses and Halton Hills doesn't need to become involved at this time.

But Councillor Moya Johnson pointed out it would only affect small portions of Fifth and Sixth Lines, south of Steeles Ave - and the addresses of four Halton Hills businesses and the Town's own Hornby Park.

"It seems confusing if the road changes half way through when it's just going to end at Steeles," the Ward 3 Councillor said.

Wards 3&4 Regional Councillor Jane

Fogal suggested that the businesses, including Landscape Ontario and the new TransCanada Energy power plant be contacted for their opinion before a final decision is made.

Councillors agreed to not support the Milton initiative at this time, but requested staff contact the affected businesses to inform them about Milton's public meetings (April 10 and April 11) on the issue, and then report to back to council on the outcome. Councillors also asked that an alternative name to Drumquin Rd. be considered.

"I find it offensive that Drumquin Rd. is named after a small community within Milton, and I likewise propose that this become Speyside Way or Hornby Ave.," said Ward 2 Councillor Bryan Lewis. "I think we have as much right to drive it in the other direction."

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Swing Tips

By Cory Gentes

The golf season is upon us and it is time to dig the clubs out of the garage or basement and give them a spring tune-up.

The first component you want to check with your equipment is the grips. Worn or slippery grips can cause you to over grip the club causing tension in the forearms and shoulders. This tension can cause an improper release of the golf club through impact which results in very inconsistent contact and a loss of power. Washing your grips with a mild soap and water solution and then rinsing them thoroughly will bring back some of the tackiness to the grip.

If your grips are too far gone then there are a few questions to ask when you bring them to get re-gripped. First, make sure the salesperson fits the grip to your hand. An improper grip size can cause many different swing flaws. Too large of a grip and you won't be able to release the club properly and an undersized grip will cause over gripping of the club. Second, there are many styles of grips available to the consumer so ask some questions. There are oversized grips available for golfers with arthritis. There are cord grips for those people whose hands perspire and need some extra grip. There are also many different colours of grips for the style conscious.

After checking the grips you should take a look at the golf club shaft for any signs of damage. A dent in a steel shaft or fraying in graphite shafts can mean a weak spot in that shaft and it could break and become a hazard to yourself or those playing with you. Last, you should check the clubhead for any nicks that may cause injury and also that the epoxy still forms a solid bond between clubhead and golf shaft.

Your local professional or golf shop can help you with any club questions or concerns you may have.

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