

Take 1,776 steps to fight global warming

Thousands of people from across the GTA will put their fitness to the test as they race up the world's tallest building in the Canada Life CN Tower Climb for WWF-Canada at the end of this month.

This year, money raised will help fight global warming—the biggest environmental threat to our planet—so climbers can get fit while helping our planet.

The climb isn't as scary as it sounds—the average climb time of the 1,776 steps is approximately 25 minutes and people of every age and fitness level participate. Last year, ages ranged from five year olds to 85-year-olds! And, with two different events to choose from there really is something for everyone.

The most popular day is the Public Climb which happens on Saturday, April 28. More than 5,000 people will tackle the tower this year and prove how much they care about our planet. Bring your family and friends or come alone and set a new personal best time. You'll have fun and get the chance to win some great prizes based on your fundraising efforts.

If you are more of a team player, then come to the Team Climb on Thursday, April 26. This is for groups of four and participants must fundraise at least \$500 to enter. It's a great opportunity for work colleagues or gym buddies to put themselves and each other to the test and compete for great prizes including fastest team, most fundraising, and many more.

As an added bonus, all participants will have the chance to win a trip for two to Cuba supplied by Horizon & Co. Climbers will get an entry for every \$100 submitted prior to noon on April 20.

Canada's Arctic is warming faster than anywhere else on the planet. Nearly one million square kilometres of ice have already disappeared, posing serious risks for seals, polar bears and entire Arctic communities. So help keep your community and your planet healthy and tackle the tower.

For more information visit wwf.ca or call the event hotline at 416-484-7716.



Spring cleaning

The third annual Halton Hills 20-Minute Makeover is set for Friday, April 20. Free garbage bags and gloves will be available from the Town Works Yard, The Acton and Georgetown BIA offices and the Chamber of Commerce office at 328 Guelph St. in Georgetown. Participating businesses and schools are asked to register with Pubic Works by calling 905-873-2601 ext. 2610 so that the Town can acknowledge their efforts. Jane Fogal, Chair of the Litter-Free Task Force, and Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette did their part last year and will once again be participating this year.

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Hometown Heroes recognizes efforts of local leaders

Do you know someone in your community who leads others towards a more sustainable future?

Perhaps you yourself are involved in raising awareness around environmental issues, fundraising, co-ordinating volunteer efforts or educating others.

The Hometown Heroes Award was established in 2004 by Earth Day Canada to acknowledge those dedicated community leaders who have worked tirelessly for the benefit of the environment at a grassroots level.

To be considered for the 2007 Hometown Heroes Award, candidates may be nominated, or may apply on their own behalf. Potential candidates include individuals of all ages, as well as school groups, municipalities, non-profit organizations, First Nations organizations and community groups.

The Hometown Heroes Award winner will be honoured at the fourth annual Earth Day Gala in Toronto, on June 1.

If you share in Earth Day Canada's vision to promote constructive and sustainable environmental values, actions and solutions, organizers of Hometown Heroes want to hear about it.

Applications must be received by Earth Day Canada on, or before Friday, April 20.

Please visit www.earthday.ca/hometown or call 1-888-283-2784 for application details and eligibility requirements.



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