

# Wanted: nominations for fantastic youth

The Mayor's Youth Action Committee would like to recognize and thank the youth of Halton Hills for their fantastic contributions during the fourth annual Halton Hills Youth Recognition Awards.

The committee is looking to recognize highly motivated, spirited and dedicated individuals who act as a role model to other youth. Candidates must be between the ages of 13 and 18 and be an active leader and volunteer in the

community.

The Recognition Ceremony will take place on Wednesday, May 9 at 7 p.m. at the Civic Centre.

Nomination packages are available at the Recreation and Parks Department in the Town of Halton Hill Civic Centre.

For more information, e-mail [lisal@halton-hills.ca](mailto:lisal@halton-hills.ca) or call Lisa Lewkowicz, 905-873-2601 ext. 2285.

## Friday Night Youth Dance

Youth in Grades 6-8 can enjoy a fun night out at the Gellert Community Centre on Friday, May 4. Paid Recreation and Parks staff with volunteers are in attendance helping ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment.

Tickets sold in advance at the reception counter at the Gellert. Limit of two tickets per person. Keep your tickets safe as they are not refundable or will not be replaced. Info: 905-873-2701, ext. 2702.

## Acoustic Extravaganza

This licensed event at St. Alban's Church hall in Glen Williams on Friday, May 4, features three well-known groups with distinct and original styles.

The lineup includes: Don Ablett and Brent Cooper, well-known fingerstyle guitar players; Second Wind, Wendi Hunter, Suzanne Hnatiw and Sharon Bieck-Shangrow who have precise vocal harmonies; and Kirk Gabel, known locally for his guitar mastery and vocals with the Glen Band. Watch for amazing guitar work and soaring vocals.

Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and the fun starts at 8 p.m.

## Gala Concert

Georgetown Back Chorale and Chamber Orchestra concludes its Spring Festival with its Gala Concert on Saturday, May 5, featuring two local young artists, Hanna and Marina Manierka on harpsichords playing Bach's Concerto for Two Harpsichords and Strings. The concert also includes Pachelbel's famous Canon in D, the single most recorded classical work, and choral works by Handel and Purcell. It will begin at 8 p.m. at Knox

## In Brief

Presbyterian Church, Georgetown.

Tickets may be purchased at Foodstuffs or the Freckled Lion or by calling 905-877-8321 [www.georgetownbachchorale.com](http://www.georgetownbachchorale.com)

## Rising Stars concert

The talented youth of Halton Hills presents Rising Stars, two youth concerts arranged by Lois Fraser on Saturday, May 5. The 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. concerts will be at St. John's United Church (Glen Williams sanctuary). Come and hear future stars, aged 13 to 25, as they treat us to our favourite Broadway songs and music. Tickets \$10. Call St. John's 905-877-2531.

## Sweet Music for Moms!

Treat your Mom and yourself and the whole family to a gracious afternoon of fine music and good food on Sunday, May 6.

Enjoy charming chamber music with Anita Walsh, Principal Second Violins Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony, Marion Samuel-Stevens, Soprano and William Shookhoff, Pianist, followed by a splendid spread of baked goods and teas (or coffee or juice). Includes a special display of fine sculpture and ceramics by local artists.

This event will be held on Sunday May 6, 3 p.m. at Ebenezer United Church, 12274 Guelph Line, north of Campbellville, south of Rockwood.

Tickets: adults \$20, seniors/students \$15. Special prices for families and groups. Call 519-856-4814 for tickets and to reserve your tea!



# Grate Groan-Up Spelling Bee races toward another victory

What do fast cars and phenomenal spellers have in common?

Not much but both continue to be a theme for a popular event run locally every May.

This year's organizers of The Grate Groan-Up Spelling Bee, sponsored by Bronte Corporate Centre and scheduled for May 3 at Halton Hills Banquet Hall, Milton, are thrilled to offer sport car racing fans a chance of a lifetime. Car nuts can bid on a ride at a track in a Ford GT with a 550hp engine that has been modified for even more power and torque.

Proceeds from the live auction will go toward funding local adult literacy programs.

If you want to check out your ride, drop into Gallinger Ford in Milton, the week of April 28. The Milton car dealer is sponsoring the track fees for the car and has agreed to house the GT in its showroom.

"This is such an amazing opportunity for car buffs," says Bee organizer Theresa MacDonald. "The car is even bee-coloured—yellow with black stripes!"

The annual adult spelling bee just keeps getting bigger and better. Last year the event saw the live auction of a

ride in a Ferrari Enzo and through sponsorship, a silent auction and ticket sales managed to raise more than \$20,000. Since it began in 2004, the Bee has raised more than \$40,000 for adult literacy programming.

The hilarious event will see 23 teams of three battling for spelling supremacy. Teams represent a variety of local businesses, non-profit agencies and service clubs. The Royal Bank Milton Mall branch has won the trophy two years running.

Local teams participating are: Rotary Club of Georgetown, Salon 51 (on Main St.), Town of Halton Hills offices and Globe Musical Productions (sponsored by Fraser Direct).

Although all team positions are filled, you can still enjoy the event by coming out to cheer on the players and participate in the Milton Lions Audience Play-a-Long Bee.

Audience tickets are \$30 and include a meal. MacDonald reminds Bee fans to buy their tickets early as space is limited.

Tickets are available in Georgetown at the Literacy North Halton office, 72 Mill Street. For more information on the Bee contact Literacy North Halton, 905-873-2200. or visit [www.literacy-nh.org](http://www.literacy-nh.org)

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