

# Talks break off between Region, nurses

Talks between the Region and the Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA) have broken down over a new contract for the health department's permanent part-time nurses.

According to the association, the two sides don't see eye-to-eye when it comes to wages, benefit packages and more for the 120 affected registered nurses and nurse practitioners in Local 1.

Negotiations have been under way

since the last three-year contract expired March 31, 2006 and recently ended after the union didn't accept the Region's final offer.

The ONA indicated it will soon apply to the Ontario Labour Relations Board for conciliation—a mediation process.

But if that process fails, both sides agree the nurses will then be in a legal strike position.



## Home sweet home

Residents Bill Somerville and John Meyer celebrate the recent grand opening of the sales office for the seniors condominium building The Gallery Bennett Village, that will begin construction next month at 200 Halton Hills Drive. Somerville has bought a corner unit that will soon be his home, right above Meyer's.

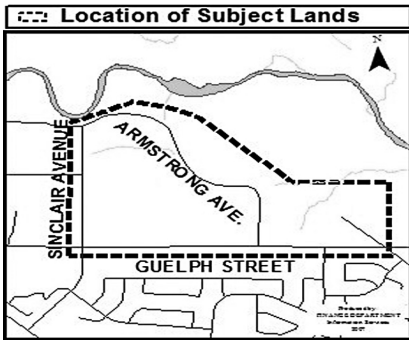
Photo by Sabrina Byrnes

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

#### CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Guelph Street - Armstrong Avenue Stormwater Management Plan

The Guelph Street - Armstrong Avenue drainage area, located in the north-easterly section of the Georgetown Urban Area of the Town of Halton Hills, encompasses a total of 57 ha. of industrial and commercial lands bounded by Guelph Street, Sinclair Avenue and McFarlane Drive. The area is currently serviced by a stormwater drainage system which outlets through stormwater management facilities to a tributary of the Credit River. Several sections of this tributary downstream of the stormwater management facilities are experiencing erosion, sedimentation and a reduction in water quality.



The Town of Halton Hills has retained Clipsham Limited to carry out a Class Environmental Assessment to review the operating conditions of the existing stormwater drainage system and to evaluate alternatives to provide improved stormwater management and erosion control facilities in the area.

This project is being planned under **Schedule B** of the **Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (June 2000)**.

You are invited to attend a **Public Information Centre** for this project scheduled for:

**DATE:** Tuesday, May 8, 2008  
**TIME:** 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** Halton Hills Civic Centre  
 1 Halton Hills Drive

The purpose of this Public Information Centre is to present the study processes, existing conditions, the proposed alternative solutions and the next steps for the Study. The Information Centre will also provide area residents, business owners and other stakeholder groups an opportunity to provide comments regarding the Study.

Public participation in this Study is encouraged. If you wish to be put on the mailing list to be advised of future project activities or require further information, please contact:

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 Town of Halton Hills  
 1 Halton Hills Drive  
 Halton Hills (Georgetown), Ontario L7G 5G2  
 Phone: (905) 873-2601, ext. 2301  
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 Halton Hills (Georgetown), Ontario L7G 4K1  
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### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**PART-TIME POOL MAINTENANCE OPERATOR GELLERT COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Posting No. 200717

This position assists the facility full-time maintenance staff in providing service for the Gellert Community Centre.

#### Responsibilities:

- Cleaning and maintenance of facility.
- Maintain the pool mechanical system as required.
- Responsible for health and safety standards and the security of the facility.
- Provide exceptional customer service to all facility users.
- Maintain and monitor maintenance records.

#### Qualifications:

- A Secondary school diploma.
- Experience in building maintenance and commercial swimming pool operations.
- Current First Aid/CPR preferred.
- Valid Ontario Driver's Licence (Class G).
- Strong swimming ability (certifications preferred).
- Willing to work weekends and some evenings.
- Willing to provide a criminal record check.
- Physically fit, some heavy lifting and occasional work at heights involved.

#### Salary:

The hourly rate for this non-union, part time position (10-18 hours/week) is \$14.51-\$17.28/hour.

Qualified candidates may submit a detailed resume in confidence to the undersigned by **4:30 p.m., Friday, May 11, 2007**. Please quote **Posting No. 200717** on your resume.

Ms. Jacqueline Kerr  
 Manager of Human Resources  
 Town of Halton Hills  
 1 Halton Hills Drive  
 Halton Hills ON L7G 5G2  
 Fax: 905-873-1431  
 Email: humanresources@haltonhills.ca

*Personal information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 (S.O. 2001, C.25) and will be used to select a candidate. Questions regarding this collection should be directed to the Manager of Human Resources. We thank all candidates for their interest, however, only those individuals selected for an interview will be contacted.*

#### AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

### BID DOCUMENT

Offers clearly marked as to contents will be received by the Manager of Purchasing, Finance Department until **2:00 p.m., Thursday, May 10, 2007** for:

Bid No. Q-057-07

**2007 CONCESSION OPERATIONS PROSPECT PARK, ACTON**

The Recreation and Parks Department wishes to contract out the operations of Concession Services at Prospect Park, Acton for the 2007 park season.

Terms of Reference and Bid Form can be viewed or obtained by contacting Simone Gourlay, Manager of Purchasing at 905-873-2601 ext. 2210 or downloading the bid from the Town's web site at: <http://www.haltonhills.ca/business/tendersCurrent.php>

Fax and email bids will be accepted. Highest or any bid will not necessarily be accepted.

# Town to spend more than \$100K to aid the physically challenged

**CYNTHIA GAMBLE**  
 Staff Writer

Just over \$100,000 will be spent this year to make Halton Hills more accessible to the physically challenged.

Council approved the Accessibility Advisory Committee's 2007 work plan, which calls for spending of \$70,000 on capital works and \$43,000 from the operating budget.

The Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act 2005 requires municipalities to improve accessibility in their community through a committee and annual work plan.

The \$70,000 will be used to retrofit town buildings, as outlined in a facility audit done by a consultant hired last year, as well as to install four audible, vibro-tactile pedestrian traffic signals with countdown timers at four main intersections in Halton Hills. The committee will also work on a safe sidewalk review that will identify, repair, retrofit and remove hazards to allow wheelchair and power chair users to travel public sidewalks.

The committee will spend:

- \$10,000 for Centralized Interpreter Service to enable the deaf to participate in all Town programs such as aquatics, library story time and accessibility advisory committee;
- \$4,000 for four accessibility awareness

workshop sessions to train Town staff to better understand disability issues— about 120 staff have already received the presentation— and another \$4,000 to educate local businesspeople on the licensing requirements of providing accessible premises;

- \$16,000 on closed-captioning of the council meeting;

- \$2,000 for education materials to be sent to businesses regarding the licensing requirements to make premises accessible;

- \$1,000 for "\$5,000 Maximum Fine" signs for disabled persons parking spaces located in commercial parking lots;

- \$2,000 to host the annual joint meeting with Halton Region and the four area municipalities to discuss common issues;

- \$1,000 for Awards of Merit for making accessibility improvements to businesses in Halton Hills;

- \$1,000 for advertising and refreshments for the annual Community Open House and Awards Ceremony in honour of International Day of Disabled Persons.

- \$1,000 to host the annual Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion event June 10.

Activities last year included the first-ever Rick Hansen Wheels in Motion event, which raised \$12,000, and closed-captioning of council meetings.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Tuesday, May 15, 2007**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Mold-Masters SportsPlex**

All members of the Georgetown Skating Club are invited to join the Board of Directors for the Annual General Meeting.

Stick with your high blood pressure treatment, or you may be in for a nasty surprise.

Canadian Coalition for High Blood Pressure Prevention and Control  
<http://aorta.library.mun.ca/bp>