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FRIDAY...

The supervisor of a local nursery school is retiring Friday after 38 years of looking after thousands of local children. For details see Friday's paper.

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Pretty as a picture

C.J. Geissler of Rockwood takes a snapshot of a souped up Mercedes Benz at the annual Classics Against Cancer car show held Sunday at Cedarvale Park. The 20th anniversary of the show drew 229 cars and more than 2,000 car fans. The event raised more than \$14,000 with all proceeds going to Cancer Assistance Services-Halton Hills.

Photo by Yves Desjardins

Council likely to say no to energy-from-waste facility

MELANIE HENNESSEY
Special to The IFP

Local environmentalists were all smiles last week after a regional committee unanimously supported taking the controversial energy-from-waste (EFW) proposal off the table—at least for now.

After hearing from the residents largely concerned with the negative health and environmental impacts the facility could have, the planning and public works committee endorsed a motion that says the Region won't become the proponent for EFW now, but rather five years down the road.

It also calls for staff to work with other area municipalities and the Province to develop and implement effective waste reduction and diversion initiatives that promote environmental sustainability.

Regional council will consider the recommendation today (Wednesday) at its regular meeting.

The resolution is along the same lines as one suggested by Halton Hills-based Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources (POWER), which appeared before the committee to urge councillors to rethink going ahead with the EFW concept.

Barbara Halsall, past president of POWER, emphasized incinerators destroy materials that must then be replaced, in turn producing more waste.

"If I burn a piece of paper instead of recycling it, someone has to manufacture a new piece of paper from raw materials," she said. "This is tremendously wasteful because manufacturing one tonne of paper creates 98 tonnes of waste products."

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BARBARA HALSALL

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