

## DEATHS

### PAKKALA, Valerie Margaret (nee Dopson)

Passed away suddenly at home on her own terms, Friday August 24th, 2007 at age 52 after a courageous 4 year struggle with cancer. Val was the beloved wife of Wayne, loving mother of Luke and Mark all of Georgetown. Daughter of Dorothy and Richard (deceased) Dopson, daughter-in-law of Gloria and Andy (deceased) Pakkala all of Sudbury. Val will be greatly missed by her many sisters, brothers, brothers and sisters in-law, nieces and nephews as well as her and Wayne's many friends and associates. A webmaster and graphics designer at Yamaha Motors Canada, Val was also extensively involved in many business and volunteer organizations in Georgetown throughout her life including the Chamber of Commerce and the local baseball scene. She founded the Halton Hills Women in Business Association and was involved in setting up the North Halton Athena Foundation, an organization dedicated to supporting, developing and honouring women leaders and inspiring women to achieve their full potential in the community. Born and raised in Sudbury, Val loved getting away to the family camps on Long Lake and spent as much time as possible there. Her personal strength of character and will power carried her on throughout this summer allowing her to accomplish goals of renewing relationships and visiting childhood haunts and friends along with going to Camp Manitou in August 2007. Val became passionate in her support of the "Weekend to End Breast Cancer" walk for the Princess Margaret Hospital Foundation, participating in 2 walks and planning a 3rd in spite of declining health. The family asks that those wishing to honour her memory make contributions to the Princess Margaret Walk to End Cancer in lieu of flowers. Her personal web page can be found on [www.Endcancer.ca](http://www.Endcancer.ca) - Toronto - sponsor a participant. The family will receive friends at the Jones Funeral Home, 11582 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown 905-877-3631 on Wednesday August 29th, 2007 at 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. A funeral service will be held at Norval United Church, 486 Guelph Street, Norval Ontario at 2:00 pm Thursday August 30th, 2007. To send expressions of sympathy visit [www.jsjonesandsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.jsjonesandsonfuneralhome.com)

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### BESSEY, Prairie Willow (nee McBride)

Peacefully passed away on Monday August 27th, 2007, in Eden Mills, at the age of 88. Beloved wife of the late Wray Bessey. Predeceased by her sisters Mary Hunter, Margaret Tost and Jean Job. Prairie will be missed by her many nieces, nephews and friends. Prairie was a long time residence of Georgetown until the last few years of her life, where she has been residing at the Eden House Nursing Home in Eden Mills. Prairie will be resting at the J.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home, 11582 Trafalgar Road, north of Maple Avenue, Georgetown 905-877-3631 on Wednesday from 7-9 pm. Funeral Service will be held in the chapel on Thursday August 30th, 2007 at 11:00 am. Cremation to follow. As expressions of sympathy memorial donations to Heart and Stroke Foundation or the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated by the family. To send expressions of sympathy visit [www.jsjonesandsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.jsjonesandsonfuneralhome.com)

## IN MEMORIAM

### BECKETT, BARBARA

In loving memory of Barbara Jean Beckett (Lyness) who passed away on August 30th, 1989.

You can't pluck a rose all fragrant with dew,  
Without part of its fragrance remaining with you.

Sadly missed by the Beckett family.

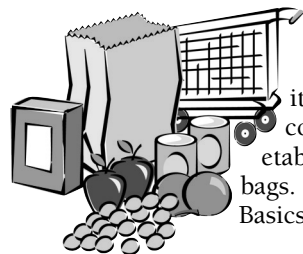
## GARAGE SALE

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Saturday September 1st  
35 HARLEY AVENUE  
8:30 am - 12:00 Noon

Rain or Shine

Books, Toys, Clothing, Bunk Bed,  
Trampoline, Motorcycle and Accessories



## Food bank needs help

The Georgetown Bread Basket is very low on several food items— salmon, pasta sauce, skim milk powder, canned Juice, cold cereal, crackers, baking goods, canned meat, canned vegetables, canned fruit, instant coffee and we are also low on plastic bags. Any items could be dropped at the food bins at A&P, Food Basics, Price Chopper or The Real Canadian SuperStore.

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North Halton Distress Centre is now accepting applications for new volunteers. The training sessions will begin Wednesday, Oct. 3 and run for six weeks. Orientation for new volunteers will be held Sept. 26 at the Georgetown police station. Info: 905-877-0655.

Monday Night Cribbage League welcomes anyone interested in joining. Please call Andy Courchesne, 905-873-0135 or Ev Metler, 95-873-2306.

## Wednesday, August 29

**Bruce Trail hike:** Level 1, 5 km hike on local trail. Depart 9:30 a.m. from the parking lot between Zellers and the grey medical building. Bring lunch and snack. Stop after the hike at a local establishment. Leader Maureen, 905-873-9757 [mosmith@cogeco.ca](mailto:mosmith@cogeco.ca)

**Kittens adoption:** Upper Credit Humane Society will be at Wal-Mart-Georgetown, 6-9 p.m. with friendly, socialized kittens ready for adoption to approved homes. The \$140 fee includes spaying/neutering, first set of shots, deworming, micro-chipping and tattooing. The kittens vary in age, only those that have had their surgery and shots may be adopted and taken home directly from the store. Please bring your cat carrier. Info: Cyrie Parker, 416-904-2811.

## Thursday, August 30

**Limehouse euchre:** Limehouse Women's Institute hosts euchre, 7:30 p.m. at the Limehouse Memorial Hall. Admission \$3, lunch provided.

**Parkinson support:** North Halton Parkinson support group meets last Thursday of the month at Georgetown Seniors Centre, 7:30 p.m. If you or anyone you know has Parkinson, come join us for a meeting to help ease the burden. Info: Zeger, 905-702-9855.

**Healthiest Babies Possible:** Is there a baby in your future? Halton Region Health Department Healthiest Babies Possible prenatal program is accepting registration for its six-week program at Ontario Early Years Centre- Georgetown, 96 Guelph St. To register: 1-866-442-5866. Info: [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca).

## Saturday, September 1

**Feed the Ostrich:** Fundraiser for Upper Credit Humane Society to be held at White Rock Ostrich Farm, Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. White Rock Ostrich Farm will donate all proceeds from Feed the Ostrich to the Upper Credit Humane Society. Each cup is \$2 and White Rock will match each \$2. The funds will be donated to Trooper's Fund to help the special needs animals that come to the Shelter. The farm is located at 13085 Fourth Line, Rockwood, just west of Acton, 519-856-2629. Directions are posted at [whiterockostrichfarm.com](http://whiterockostrichfarm.com) General admission: adults \$5, kids 18 and under \$3.

**Euchre:** is held every Saturday night at the Hornby Co-operative Nursery School on Steeles Ave. at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

**Overeaters Anonymous:** Halton Hills residents are welcome to: 10 a.m. Saturdays at Claude Presbyterian Church, 15175 Hurontario St. (Hwy 10, north of King Rd.), Caledon. Info: Sue, 905-951-7227.



## Sunday, September 2

**Music in the park:** 6-8 p.m. at the gazebo in the Old Seed House Garden in Dominion Gardens Park. An evening of music, 50s-60s, country and oldies. Bring your lawn chairs. Info: Jim, 905-873-0310.

**Georgetown Runners:** are a group of local runners who meet at the Atlantis Family Athletics at the corner of Guelph St. and Mountainview Rd., 8 a.m. Sunday mornings as well as on Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m. at the Georgetown Dental Clinic (211 Guelph St.) for club runs. Smaller groups meet at various other times and locations for social or training runs. Our current members vary in fitness levels from the novice who is just beginning a new running/fitness program, to the more seasoned athlete who has been running for many years. All are welcome to come and join us for our runs. Info: [www.georgetownrunners.ca](http://www.georgetownrunners.ca) or call Jim Baidacoff, 905-702-1162.

## Monday, September 3

**Chicken barbecue:** Ballinafad United Church will host a chicken barbecue and silent auction from 5-7 p.m. Cost is \$12 for a half chicken dinner, \$9 for a quarter dinner.



Hotdog dinner free for kids under 10. Tickets 905-877-4072 or [www.wondercafe.ca/churches/ballinafadbu](http://www.wondercafe.ca/churches/ballinafadbu) [news@sympatico.ca](mailto:news@sympatico.ca)

**Choral Society auditions:** Georgetown Choral Society opens its doors to new members at open rehearsals on September 3 and September 10. Male voices are especially welcome. All singers will be expected to go through a short audition to assess voice quality and range. Rehearsals are held at Knox Presbyterian Church, lower hall from 7:30-9:30 p.m.

## Tuesday, September 4

**Georgetown Fireflies:** meets 8 p.m. at the Halton Regional Police Station, 217 Guelph Street in Georgetown. Any interested campers are welcome to attend.

**Fashion show:** Think fall with a fashion show featuring Geri Fashions, 2 p.m. at Acton Seniors Centre in the Acton Arena and Community Centre. Clothing on display prior to the show.

**Library preschool:** Registration for Halton Hills Public Library preschool programs begins. Go to [www.library.hhpl.on.ca](http://www.library.hhpl.on.ca) for details.

**Calling New Parents:** is a free program for parents and babies (six months and under). Each week, the group with a Public Health Nurse, will discuss parenting and infant care. Groups in Acton or Georgetown, Tuesday afternoons. Info: 1-866-442-5866 or [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca).

**TOPS-Georgetown:** If you want to lose weight sensibly and keep it off, join TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at St. Andrew's United Church, Tuesdays; weigh-in 6:30 p.m. and get together, 7:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, September 5

**Women in Business:** Halton Hills Women in Business holds its monthly luncheon at the Ares Family Restaurant. Info: 905-877-7119 or [www.haltonhillschamber.on.ca](http://www.haltonhillschamber.on.ca).

**Bruce Trail hike:** Level 1, 5 km hike on local trail. Depart 9:30 a.m. from the parking

# Community Calendar

Please note: Community Calendar is a free editorial service to non-profit groups, churches, schools, and charity-supported events only.

• **Deadline for submission is noon Monday for the Wednesday edition and 4 p.m. Wednesday for the Friday edition.**

• **A contact name and telephone number must be part of each submission.**

• **We reserve the right to edit the briefs—make sure the five 'Ws' (who, what, where, why and especially when) are included**

• **While every effort is made to publish an event at least once, there is no guarantee. Priority is given to local events and local groups.**

**Submissions are published in chronological order in the space available. If e-mailing, please submit text only— not a flyer.**

• **We do not take community calendar items over the telephone. Fax to Community Calendar: 905-873-0398; e-mail: [cgamble@independentfreepress.com](mailto:cgamble@independentfreepress.com) or drop off at The Independent & Free Press front desk located in the Georgetown Market Place.**

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**Brampton Fibromyalgia Support Group:** meets 7 p.m. at the Region of Peel building, 10 Peel Centre Dr. in the Mississauga room. This evening we will have two guest speakers, Diane Kent, a medical herbalist, and president of the Ontario Herbalist Association and Graham Butler CNPA, who is on the editorial advisory board of *Alive* magazine. Everyone is welcome. Info: Carol, 905-873-2952 or Marianne, 905-791-2032 or e-mail [fibrosupport@rogers.com](mailto:fibrosupport@rogers.com), or [fibrosupport@sympatico.ca](mailto:fibrosupport@sympatico.ca)

## Thursday, September 6

**Referendum question:** An information session regarding the referendum on electoral reform in the upcoming Oct. 10 provincial election, will be held 10 a.m. at the Georgetown Senior Centre. Georgetown resident John Daley, a members of the electoral reform committee, will host the meeting which includes a PowerPoint presentation. Come out. Be an informed voter.

**Coffee Break:** Preserve the past, enrich the present, and inspire hope for the future. From 7-9 p.m. Creative Memories consultant Mary Neal will be holding a Coffee Break to support Alzheimer at her Creative Memories Studio, 269 Kingham Rd., Acton. Come by for some coffee and refreshments and make a donation to the Alzheimer Society. Info: 519-853-5673

**Ballinafad euchre:** Ballinafad Hall Board hosts euchre at the Ballinafad Community Centre, 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$3 per player. Light lunch, coffee and tea served.

**Community Living North Halton:** is holding its annual general meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Gallery of the Halton Hills Cultural Centre, 9 Church Street, Georgetown. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served. Info: Jasmin Adams, 905-878-2337 ext. 22 or [jadams@clnh.on.ca](mailto:jadams@clnh.on.ca)

## Friday, September 7

**161st Annual Georgetown Fall Fair:** will be September 7, 8, and 9. Family fun, entertaining and education weekend guaranteed.

