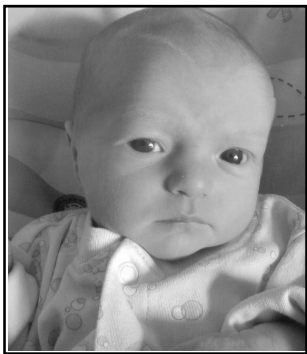


BIRTHS

A Girl!



MURPHY

Shawn and Karen (nee Edgar) are thrilled to announce the safe arrival of their baby girl, Fallon Mary Catherine, born April 4th, 2008 at 6:13 pm, weighing 6 lbs., 8.5 ozs. Elated grandparents are John and Mary Edgard. Ecstatic aunts and uncles are Brian Edgard, Heather Murphy and Gordon McVeigh, Dona and Bill Harper, Debbie Murphy and Paul and Beth Murphy. She is also welcomed by numerous cousins and extended family.

IN MEMORIAM

CROWHURST, Kathleen (Molly) - In loving memory of a dear Mom, Grandma and Great Grandma, who passed away three years ago on April 23rd, 2005.
Too dearly loved to ever be forgotten.

*Marlene
Jamie, Jody, Paige, Loghan and Wesley
Shawn, Kelly, Aaron and Allyson*

WARD, David Lewis - In memory of a beloved son who passed away 25th April 1993.

*We miss you David.
"Loving memories last forever"
Mom and Dad*

PERKINS - In loving memory of Gerry on April 21st, 2006 and Kim on May 4th, 2007.

*In a quiet, peaceful cemetery,
Where gentle breezes blow,
Rest the ones we loved so dearly,
Whom we lost not long ago.
Our thoughts are always with them,
Their place no one can fill,
In life we loved them dearly,
In death we love them still.
Missing them and loving them dearly,
Bette and family*

CUNNINGHAM - In loving memory of our dear parents, Robert - March 19th, 1974 and Dorothy - April 25th, 1996.

*May the winds of love blow softly,
And whisper for you to hear,
That we miss you dearly,
And wish that you were here.
We hold you close within our hearts,
And there you will remain,
To walk beside us all our lives,
Until we meet again.*

Your loving family.

Garage SALES

INDOOR GARAGE SALE
Friday April 25th - 5:00pm to 8:00pm
Saturday April 26th - 8:00am to 1:00pm
CHURCHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH
14406 Churchill Road North, Acton
(corner of 3rd Line and Erin - Halton Town Line)
BBQ, Plant, Bake and Vendors Tables, Raffle,
Silent Auction, Penny Sale and Kid's Activities
All Proceeds Going to the Church

IN MEMORIAM

HOLMES, Myrna (nee MacLeod)
March 28th, 1957 - April 23rd, 2003

*In loving memory of a precious daughter and sister.
We miss you in so many ways,
We miss things you used to say,
And when old times we do recall,
It's then we miss you most of all.*

*Love always,
Mom, Lorne,
Allister, Coleen, Linda and Reid*

DEATHS

SMART, Florence May (nee Herbert)

Passed away peacefully in her 92nd year at Georgetown Hospital with family at her bedside. Devoted wife, mother, Granny, and great grandma, she is predeceased by her husband Ross, her five brothers and two sisters, her son-in-law Colin, and her grandson Tommy. She is survived by her sister Marjorie Robinson, her sister-in-law Elizabeth Herbert; her three children, Terry Smart (and Shirley), Patricia Ono (and Mark), and Linda Baynes; her grandchildren, James Smart (and Angie); Christopher Ono (and Marianne), Matthew and Amanda Ono; Elizabeth, Jeremy, and Heather Baynes; and her great grandchildren, Beren and Greyson Smart; Ian and Niall Ono. She led a full and active life as a commissioner of Girl Guides, a talented artist who taught painting, and as an active member in the United Church in Capreol and in Acton. She was a good and faithful servant. The family received friends on Monday, April 21st, from 7 -9 pm and on Tuesday, 12 - 1 pm at the MacKinnon Family Funeral Home at 55 Mill Street, Acton (1-877-421-9860). The funeral service to celebrate Granny's life was held at Trinity United Church at 70 Mill Street, Acton, on Tuesday at 2:00 pm. The family thanks the wonderful caregivers at the Bennett Healthcare Centre and The Georgetown Hospital for their support, their caring, and their love. On line condolences and donations may be made at www.mackinnonfamilyfuneralhome.com

BRIGGS, Kenneth

Suddenly in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia on Saturday, April 19th, 2008. Ken Briggs, formerly of Erin, in his 66th year. Beloved husband of the late Sandra (nee Barry) Briggs (2000). Dear father of Tammy (John) Barnhart of Erin and Troy (Kelly) Briggs of Eagle Lake. Cherished Poppa of Cody, Ryan, Marissa and Brianna Barnhart and Kendra, Larry and Kenny Briggs. Brother of Connie (Donnie) MacDonald; Danny (Judy) Briggs; Marilyn (Jack) Popwell; Joanie Aucoin (Eddie); George (Margaret) Briggs; Sheldon (Diane) Briggs and predeceased by Gerald and his wife Annie Briggs. Brother-in-law of Phyllis (Ed) Discepolo; Glenda (Al) Barrett; Jeff (Pat) Barry; Linda (Chester) Dickie; Donna (Jim) Muir; Lovern Beaudrie and Nancy Smith. Predeceased by Dennis Barry and Colleen Beaudrie. Ken will be sadly missed by his partner Shelley Budden and fondly remembered by his many nieces, nephews and friends. A celebration of Ken's Life will take place at St. John Brebeuf Catholic Church, 24 Millwood Street, Erin, where Ken was a faithful member for many years, on Friday, April 25th, 2007 at 11:00 am. Burial at Erin Union Cemetery. Visitation will be at the Butcher Family Funeral Home, 5399 Main Street, South, Erin on Thursday from 2 - 4 and 7 - 9 pm. If desired, donations to St. John Brebeuf Church or the Lung Association would be appreciated as expressions of sympathy.

SPRING MOM-TO-MOM SALE

St. Alban's Church, Acton
19 ALBAN'S DRIVE
Saturday April 26th 9:00am to 12:00pm
Children's / infants' nearly new toys, clothes, furniture, etc.
Admission: Adults \$2.00, Children Under 12 are Free
For information call Sue at: 519-853-0390

THE GREAT BIG GARAGE SALE

Largest Garage Sale in Canada
Saturday April 26th 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
5192 WINSTON CHURCHILL BOULEVARD
(Mississauga Road, North to King Road - follow green signs to Sameday Farm)
Antiques, collectibles, hardware, electronics, furniture, bake table, books, toys, perennials, refreshments.
Admission \$2. Children free.
All proceeds to The Coalition of Concerned Citizens. 905-838-4333.



Salon 51 team members at 51 Main St. S., Georgetown are brushing up on their spelling with The Spelling Bee (Kath Beaven) to once again compete in the event May 1. Team members (from left) Lorraine Teeter, Shelley Allison, Pam Welsh and Alma Wilkinson were quite successful last year and hope to surpass the \$730 they raised in pledges last. Tickets to the event are available at Salon 51.
Photo by Ted Brown

Local salon supports literacy at 'Groan-Up' spelling bee

More than 25 well-known Canadian authors and celebrities such as Margaret Atwood, Anne Murray and Stephen Lewis have stepped forward to support North Halton's fifth annual Grate Groan-Up Spelling Bee.

The Literacy North Halton fundraiser helps support adult local literacy programs. The personalities have each donated a book either written by them or recommended because of a relevance to the cause.

One children's author, Kathy Stinson of Rockwood, chose a particularly poignant story she wrote based on a friendship she developed with an older gentleman. Stinson writes that with 26 books under her belt she has never been faced with the challenges of struggling to read and write. It was while she did a stint as a visiting author at a primary school that she got to know a caretaker who as a grandfather had recently learned to read. *King of the Castle* is not based on this man "but on someone like him and the many adults in our country who, for one reason or another, were not lucky enough to learn to read as children."

Bee organizer Theresa Macdonald wants to remind everyone that ultimately the fun event is about raising funds and awareness of the long-ranging affects of low literacy in adults.

"Literacy programs can combat nutrition and health problems, high school drop-out rates, teen parenting, joblessness, welfare dependency and social alienation," she says.

The Grate Groan-Up Spelling Bee will be held Thursday, May 1 at 5:30 p.m. at Halton Hills Banquet Hall, 3090 Steeles Ave. W., Milton.

The corporate bee pits teams of three from local businesses, agencies and organizations against each other in a hilarious night of costumes and antics.

Audience members are invited to attend and cheer on their favourite spellers. Tickets are \$30 and include dinner and the show. Tickets are available at Elsley Optical 55 Ontario St. S., Milton and at Salon 51, 51 Main St., Georgetown.

For additional information about the Bee and Literacy North Halton contact 905-873-2200 or literacy@bellnet.ca.

Special May 24 event in the works

Acton youth group seeks nominations

On Saturday, May 24, Acton youth will seize their chance for change by hosting a day-long celebratory event in Prospect Park that highlights the talents and interests of local youth. The event is called Acton Youth's Chance for Change.

"We're going to be celebrating Acton youth as important members of our community," say planning committee members Dallas Shewfelt and Alannah Bowes. "There will be many great events throughout the day, for all ages, and some specific to showcasing local youth's talent."

A nine-member committee, led by Acton youth, has been meeting weekly to plan the activities.

"There are specific contests designed to give youth a chance to voice their opinion, and perspective about life in Acton," say Bowes and Shewfelt.

Through a photography contest, for example, the committee is inviting youth to photograph positive aspects of their community as well as what they see as opportunities for change.

"We see the event as being a great opportunity to not only show off the talent of local youth but to also recognize adults in the community who we feel play an important role in supporting youth," say Bowes and Shewfelt.

The committee is asking Acton youth to recognize those Acton adults who have made a difference in their lives by nominating them for a youth supporter award. As well, businesses, charities and agencies that serve youth or have volunteer opportunities for youth are invited to set up a table display at the event.

Additional activities planned for May 24 include a feature performance by comedian and Acton native Jeff McEnery, as well as art displays, an open mic for those spontaneous performers, local band performances, improvisational activities-and even an inflatable Joust game and a jumping giraffe for all ages!

Community members-youth and adults alike-can become involved in the event's planning activities by:

- Volunteering to help with the activities
- Entering the photography contest
- Nominating a youth supporter
- Displaying and selling artwork at the event
- Sponsoring a youth supporter award

For more information, e-mail Jennifer at chance4change@hotmail.com, or visit www.chance4change.blogspot.com or search Acton Youth's Change for Change on Facebook.