

Adult says give youth a chance

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housed at Trinity United Church. The program helps youth who may be struggling academically or in their relationships. The strengths-based program gives youth coping tools to deal with the often hectic life around them.

"She is always there if something goes wrong and she is easy to talk to," says Grade 11 student Jessica Payne. "She has lived through what we are going through and she knows how to help us through it."

Legere offers important advice for adults in their relationships with younger community members. "Bottom line— give them a chance. Some people may not believe they can turn out to be these great adults who can have successful lives. Give youth a chance to be unique and to show their true colours."

Judy Robinson and Amanda Kostjuk are also award winners. The two youth workers co-ordinate programming at the Off The Wall youth centre. At the centre, youth can hang out or participate in activities such as pool, foosball, computer games, crafts and positive discussions. The centre has couches and TVs for watching movies or playing video games.

Spencer Pestell spends his Wednesdays at Off The Wall. He's thankful for a place to hang out that is both safe and fun.

"It gives me something to do," he says. "Amanda and Judy are really good youth workers. They are very friendly and make us feel welcome."

Also receiving an award is Shawn Brown, a teacher and guidance counsellor at Acton High School who was nominated because of his easy-going nature and approachability when working with his students. The youth have described him as someone with a great sense of humour who you can talk to about anything.

The Acton Youth's Chance for Change event represented the efforts of youth in Acton with support from Halton Region, Our Kids Network, Recreation and Parks, Links2Care (Off The Wall) and Halton Regional Police Service. Additional support was provided by POSSE, Acton High School, McKenzie-Smith Bennett and St. Joseph School.

Local Acton couple opens art gallery

Philip and Karen Aline Taylor of Acton are collectors of original contemporary fine art, and recently have opened their home as a free public fine art gallery in Halton Hills

The Taylor Fine Art Gallery will display original art from their collection of modern masters, including the works of Gerard Priault, Marc Nerbonne, Tony Mascardelli, Louise Dandurand, David Rankine, Carol Currie, Michael Pape, Tiffany Hastie and more.

The gallery is open by appointment. Please call 905-875-8348 or e-mail hadentaylor@gmail.com.

The website is <http://taylorart-gallery.blogspot.com>

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Walk and Treasure Hunt

HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR JUNE 22ND

Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to postpone our walk.




The Upper Credit Humane Society needs walkers and sponsors for our annual Walk and Treasure Hunt which is being held on Sunday, June 22nd from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.


You don't need to have a dog to join in. There is a short walk around Cedarvale Park, then lunch. After lunch we will be having a Treasure Hunt, which includes working out clues to get to your final destination. We will have games for the dogs which is always a lot of fun. There are some great prizes to be won. Also, there will be a Silent Auction and raffle items.

Please think about joining us on Sunday June 22nd, it's a great way to spend time with your dog and to help the more unfortunate animals in our area.




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Turkey Rhubarb is based in Hamilton, Ontario. Turkey Rhubarb is Dale Behnke, mandolin; Gerry Dion (guitar) and Paul Fralick (guitar). They bring a fun approach to performing traditional children's folks songs in English, French and Spanish from all over the world.

The Funky Mamas have been shaking up the adult friendly children's entertainment scene since 1998. These musical women are hip and bring to the stage professionalism, experience, and a colourful and memorable performance.

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