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WEDNESDAY...

The 33rd annual Georgetown Highland Games will be held tomorrow. For a photo wrap-up see Wednesday's edition.

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'X' marks the spot

Nine-year-old Dylan Thring tries his hand(s) and feet at the giant Twister game during Park Public School's year-end Family Fun Day barbecue held last Friday evening.

Photo by Jon Borgstrom

Teen pulled from pool

EAMONN MAHER
Staff Writer

A teenage boy was pulled unconscious by lifeguards from the swimming pool at Georgetown District High School Thursday morning and was later taken to Sick Children's Hospital in Toronto.

The Grade 10 student's condition was not known Thursday afternoon and family members requested his identity not be revealed. GDHS principal Stuart Miller said the student is "recovering" after being airlifted from Georgetown Hospital to Toronto.

A pre-existing health issue may have led to the incident, officials said.

The school's swim team was practising in the Georgetown Indoor Pool, when a lifeguard, a Town of Halton Hills employee, noticed one student go under and pulled him out, said Staff Sgt. Ray Bruce of Halton Regional Police.

Two female lifeguards, who also asked that their names not be released, were on duty at the time. They were able to resuscitate the victim prior to the arrival of Emergency Medical Services at the school.

"We are extremely proud of our staff, who responded quickly and competently," said Joy Thompson, recreation services manager for the Town of Halton Hills.

Growth options laid out

LISA TALLYN
Staff Writer

Five possible new urban growth scenarios for Halton Hills and Milton between 2021 and 2031 have been released by Halton Region—one calling for all the new residential growth in Milton and the others proposing an increase in the population of Halton Hills by 20,000 to 40,000 people.

The five concepts have been whittled down

from nine, and in the coming months the public, municipalities, school boards and conservation authorities will all have a chance to weigh in on them.

The scenarios are part of the planning exercise being undertaken by Halton Region known as the Sustainable Halton Plan.

The Plan is to respond to provincial legislation, which has targeted Halton to grow to 650,000 people by 2021, and 780,000 people by 2031.

With no new urban land available in Burlington or Oakville beyond 2021, Milton and Halton Hills are in line to absorb the growth.

The five concepts are:

- 1. Milton-Centred
All of the new mixed-use/residential development area is located in Milton
- 2a and 2b-Milton-Georgetown (Low)

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