



Feathered friend?

Crystal Gouravski, 9, of the Halton Hills Recreation and Parks summer Adventure Splash and Fun Camp, wasn't too sure what to think of Chomper, a great horned owl displayed by Jim Aikenhead of Montsberg Conservation. The bird was part of the camp's birds of prey unit which gave kids an insight into the unique capabilities of some of the birds. *Photo by Ted Brown*

Medical centre, Hide House to share parking

The olde Hide House and the new Acton Medical & Urgent Care Clinic will share parking on Town-owned lands on Eastern Ave.

The olde Hide House currently rents the lands for parking for \$2,500 a year. Their rent will now be reduced by \$500, which will be picked up by the soon-to-be built medical centre.

FUTURE SHOP

CORRECTION NOTICE

Pioneer AVH-P4000DVD including free Boyo Vision VTL420 (backup camera) Package 10099471 and 10085717. The August 22nd flyer shows the AVH-P4000DVD with Free Backup Camera, which is a \$194 Value and also Shows a Savings claim of \$194. As this is a package including a free product worth \$194 the Savings claim is incorrect.

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Family loses everything in blaze

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Waller was awakened at the cottage by a phone call from Halton Police about the blaze at 6 a.m. and the couple rushed home.

A spokesperson for Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services said the Fire Marshal's office was called in to investigate the fire, at the time deemed suspicious because no one had been home since Friday evening.

He said due to the extent of the fire in the home, investigators could not determine a burn pattern or pinpoint exactly where the fire started. They did determine, however, it started at the rear of the home.

The spokesperson said the investigation is ongoing, but arson is not suspected and the fire is no longer considered suspicious.

Damage is estimated at about \$200,000.

Waller said the family lost everything except for the items they had taken with them to their cottage. Also, firefighters were able to retrieve her wedding rings and the couple's marriage certificate was also recovered.

Waller said while the family was sifting through the charred remains of their home she was surprised to find one of her children's bibles that had been on an upper shelf lying open on a dresser. The book was nearly completely burned except for the page it was open to, revealing a "Family Prayer."

"I did my crying yesterday," said Waller on Monday, who has decided to adopt a positive attitude about the tragedy. "It's a new adventure."

She is grateful to the passerby that noticed the fire and "approached the home to ensure that no one was home."

She added, "all the generosity

from people has been overwhelming," and she thanks the many people who have already offered to help with donations, etc.

The family had insurance but is in need of a place to live, furniture, clothing, toys, and household items.

"They are going to be needing to rent a place. They don't even have a kitchen table, they have three little kids who need beds," said Klutt.

"They are good people who do a lot for others," Klutt added.

Anyone interested in making a monetary donation can do so at Scotiabank. Donations of furniture, toys, clothing, etc, and offers of trailers or homes (preferably in the rural area to accommodate Simon Waller's truck) can be made by calling Klutt at 905-693-9288 or 416-518-3387.

(Lisa Tallyn can be reached at ltallyn@independentfreepress.com)



Thank You

On behalf of Cathi and myself, Rob Arsenault, we would like to thank the following people and companies for their amazing contributions to our **Extremely Successful 50th Anniversary Party**

Mrs. Marg Tolton - Retired Business Owner Mr. Terry Layton - Lead Tow Truck Operator Mrs. Debbie Layton - Office Manager - Lead Dispatcher Ms. Jacqui Kobow - Night Dispatcher Mr. Shaun Hughes - Tow Truck Operator Shaun's Girlfriend, Ms. Bobbi Forbes - Volunteer Mr. Sean Goodwin - Tow Truck Operator Sean's wife, Shannon and daughter Kendra - Volunteer Mr. Dan Hynes - Heavy Division	Dan's wife Sheila and daughter Natalie - Volunteer Ms. Brenda Tolton, daughter Nicki and partner Mr. Dan Faubert - Volunteers Sach and Debbie Gray - Volunteers Grant and Christine Somers - Volunteers Tess, Irene, Sally, Grace and Jacqueline - Volunteers Erin, Alexandra and Sarah Arsenault - Volunteers Audra and Kristen Jander - Volunteers Julia and Laura-Jean Bonifacio - Volunteers
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Staff who were unable to attend the day of our party (however have worked diligently to contribute to its success)

Mr. Paul Snyder - Tow Truck Operator - and his wife Nola Companies: Halton Hills Radio, MacGregor's Meats & Seafoods Ltd., Maple Lodge Farms, Miller's Scottish Bakery, The Real Canadian Superstore, Georgetown Printing, Adams Rent-All, Fishburn Proctor, Carney Electric, Halton Hills Fire Department, Halton Hills Police Department, The Georgetown Market Place, Zellers, The Independent & Free Press, Boston Pizza, Super Lube, Concept Ford, Georgetown Chrysler, Georgetown Honda, Georgetown Chevrolet, Georgetown Kia, Best Buy/Halton Automotive, Halton Canine, Car Quest - Frank Vandevalk and Don Maveal, Heather's Bakery, Dave's Service Centre, Hassell Automotive, Luma Automotive, Capina's Family Eatery, North Star Dry Cleaners, Shepherd's Crook Restaurant, Cam Pages, Northern Reflections, Canadian Tire Auto Club, Up Your Bike, Northside Auto Detail, Wal-Mart, Yong's Restaurant, Unitec. Funland Amusements, Lou Ricci from Transform Signs, Bob at Country Depot, Silvercreek "Shell" Service Center, E-Z Taxi, Acton Auto Tech, J.S. Jones Funeral Home, BOS Lift Truck, Diesel Doctors, Howell Pipe & Supply, Uptown Collision, Bratin Auto, Danny's Auto, Pete's Auto Paint, Accurate Auto Analysis, Riteway Auto Body, Toth Motors, T & T Auto, Arnie's Collision Centre, Kiyo's, RJ's Muffler, Sunny Motors, D & A Mechanical, Howse Automotive and The Canadian Military Studies Museum.	Mr. John Guerra - Heavy Division - and his family
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If we have missed your name please accept our deepest regrets. We were able to raise over \$2,000.00 for the CASHh (Cancer Assistance Services of Halton Hills) program here in town. Please stay tuned to The Independent for an upcoming photo presenting the **GRAND TOTAL** to CASHh.

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Jenah Thompson

on receiving your Honours Business and Commerce Degree from the Ottawa University, Telfer School of Management. We wish you continued success in your career as the Graduate Marketing Coordinator for the Telfer School of Management.

We are so very proud of you!

Much Love,

Mom, Dad and Mitch

