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ACTON SKETCHES: Four pen sketches of well known Acton landmarks by former resident Laura Dittrich were donated to the Town by former Acton resident Lorne Doberthien. Mayor Rick Bonnette left said he's looking for the right spot at the Civic centre to display the drawings held by Councillors Clark Somerville, Jon Hurst and Mike O'Leary. – Frances Niblock photo

Organic lawn, garden project to protect the Credit River

A neighbourhood organic lawn and garden project in Halton Hills aimed at creating a healthier community and protection for the Credit River was started this month

Home owners of the fondly referred to "Mushroom Factory," a newly built community in Georgetown where a mushroom factory once stood, will be encouraged to adopt organic lawn and garden practices

to minimize the chemical burden on the Credit River and watershed.

The project was born when several Mushroom Factory residents approached Healthy Options for People and the Environment (H.O.P.E) for advice on how they could create a healthy community free of traditional lawn care chemicals such as cosmetic pesticides and synthetic fertilizers.

H.O.P.E. has been working

since 2001 to reduce cosmetic pesticide use in Halton Hills. Understanding that the community was new and the time was right to encourage new habits, a project work plan and supporting partners were established.

Under the coordination of H.O.P.E. and with assistance from project partner - Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources (P.O.W.E.R.), the Mushroom Factory's \$10,000 project received nearly \$4,000 of financial support through Environment Canada's Eco-Action Community Funding Program.

Project partners include Environment Canada, P.O.W.E.R, Halton Region - Naturally Green Program, Credit River Anglers Association, Credit Valley Conservation, Organic Landscape Alliance, and the Town of Halton Hills. Project activities include residential workshops for adults and children, a survey to gauge lawn and gardening preferences, a community website and blog where residents can follow the project and learn organic 'how-tos.'

A pilot project got underway in 2006 that included a lawn care survey of previous habits and understanding, educational workshops on organic lawn care and a blog: www.mushroomfactory.ca to help residents access information about the project.

Tell us about Teaching and Learning in Schools

From April 23rd to May 18th, 2007 parents with children in the Halton District School Board will once again be invited to complete a *School Effectiveness Survey*. The results of the survey will provide important data to be used to shape system and school effectiveness planning for improving student learning. Parent survey results will be examined in conjunction with survey results from students, teachers and non-teaching staff.

The survey will be available beginning April 23, 2007 at www.hdsb.ca

Parents may complete the survey on-line from wherever Internet access is available (home, work, or at your child's school). If you do not have access to the Internet, please discuss alternatives with your child's school Principal or Vice-Principal.

<u>NOTE</u>: To log-on, parents must have their child's/children's Ontario Education Number (OEN), a number found on report cards for security purposes.

Further information is available through your child's school or by contacting the Research Department, Halton District School Board at (905) 335-3665, ext. 3280.



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