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Harm reduction 'pioneer' honoured

By Frances Niblock

For helping kids make positive choices about their safety, Acton's Dave Ford was honoured as a "champion" of the Risk Watch program at a recent Town Council meeting.

Ford, District Chief of the Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services, has been a "pivotal" person with the Halton Hills Risk

Watch program according to Barb O'Connor, a consultant with the Halton District School Board.

O'Connor presented Ford with a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), which recognized Halton Hills as an official Risk Watch Safe Community for 2007.

O'Connor said that recognition, for the second year in a row, would not have happened without Dave Ford's "constant work within our community," helping children of all ages "understand the need for their own personal safety."

Unintentional injuries kill 6,000 Canadian children and disable over 120,000 annually, and Risk Watch, a comprehensive injury prevention education program gives children under

14 information to make positive choices about their personal safety and well-being.

It is a school-based curriculum that links teachers with community safety experts and parents. A Risk Watch Coalition is working to have the program in every school in Halton Hills. Currently, it's available to every Catholic elementary student in Halton Hills and those at Georgetown District Christian School.

Ford, clearly surprised by the recognition, said the success of the program is due to the hard work of the Risk Watch Coalition members - 10 groups including the police, ambulance, Halton, Halton Hills Injury Prevention Committee, Prosperity One, Laidlaw Transport, Cooperators Insurance and Ray Johnson and Associates.

The Risk Watch program includes instruction in eight areas including fire and burn prevention, fall prevention, motor vehicle safety, bike and pedestrian safety, water safety, poisoning prevention, firearms injury prevention and choking, suffocation and strangulation prevention.

"The Catholic (school) board has taken it upon itself to be a leading role within the community, along with Georgetown District Christian School, and without these partners, without our stakeholders, the Risk Watch program would not be possible," Ford said in accepting the plaque.

Future Risk Watch events include infant car seat clinics, school visits by prevention staff and the summer safety blitz scheduled for June 9 in Acton.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Find Out How Cross Connection Control Can Protect Our Drinking Water

Halton Region delivers safe and high quality drinking water to its commercial, institutional and residential customers. Providing clean, safe drinking water is an important responsibility, and Halton is a leader in water purification technology. Halton Regional Council approved the Cross-Connection Control By-Law #157-05 and the related policy, that came into effect January 1, 2006.

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Halton Region is hosting a series of Public Information Centres to provide industrial, commercial and institutional property owners and residents with information on Cross Connection and the steps you can take to prevent contamination of our drinking water supply.

Cross Connection Control Program Open Houses

(All meetings are from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., with a presentation starting at 7:00 p.m.)

Burlington

Thursday, April 26	Mainway Recreation Centre, 4015 Mainway
Tuesday, May 1	Mainway Recreation Centre, 4015 Mainway
Thursday, May 17	Mainway Recreation Centre, 4015 Mainway
Tuesday, June 5	Royal Botanical Gardens, 680 Plains Road West

Oakville

Thursday, April 19	Knights of Columbus, 1494 Wallace Road
Wednesday, April 25	Otello's Banquet & Conference Centre, 2273 Royal Windsor Drive
Thursday, May 3	Knights of Columbus, 1494 Wallace Road
Thursday, May 10	Otello's Banquet & Conference Centre, 2273 Royal Windsor Drive

Halton Hills

Wednesday, May 16	Mold-Master SportsPlex, 221 Guelph Street, Georgetown
Thursday, May 24	Mold-Master SportsPlex, 221 Guelph Street, Georgetown

Milton

Tuesday, April 24	Ramada Conference Centre, 161 Chisholm Drive
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Are you prepared?

Being prepared can make all the difference in an emergency. Halton Region's four municipalities and the Halton Regional Police Service have updated the popular Personal Emergency Preparedness Guide in recognition of Emergency Preparedness Week in Canada which runs until Saturday.

During the critical first hours of an emergency, Halton responders, local municipalities and other public-safety partners must deal with the impact of

the event, providing aid to the citizens immediately affected, while minimizing service interruptions. The Personal Emergency Preparedness Guide provides information on how residents can be prepared to assume responsibility for their own care and well-being during the first 72 hours of an emergency situation. It provides important telephone numbers, and outlines the six basic components that should be included in a family emergency survival kit.

The guide addresses many different kinds of emergencies, provides information on "sheltering in place" (taking shelter inside a house or automobile) and outlines what to do in the event evacuation becomes necessary.

The guide is available at Regional and Local Municipal government offices and facilities. It can also be requested by telephone, toll free 1-866-442-5866 or by e-mail through accesshalton@halton.ca. A version is available in PDF format to download from Halton and Local Municipal government websites.

Halton Region, the City of Burlington and the Towns of Halton Hills, Milton, and Oakville, work with local emergency responders all year round to plan for emergencies and ensure a coordinated response. Municipal and Regional Emergency Management Committees meet regularly to develop effective emergency management programs. For more information about Halton's Emergency Management Program and links to emergency partner sites, visit www.halton.ca.

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