

## Construction begins on Main Street

The mammoth, million dollar Main Street reconstruction project is underway, and when it's complete, approximately one kilometre of brand new road (with new water and sewer pipes underneath some areas) will replace what one local politician called a "cow path."

Ron Goddard, the Town's Manager of Engineering, Design and Capital Works said King Paving and Material's plan is to keep the road open throughout the whole project, and to minimize traffic delays.

The \$1.3-million project to reconstruct Main Street from Knox Street

to Acton's southerly limit near the entrance to Superior Glove, is a joint contract with Halton Region which is replacing water and wastewater pipes in some areas. On Monday, Goddard said they would work on the Knox Street to Church Street area first.

"Then, they'll do some storm sewer

work on Vimy Street, which is also part of this contract, and that will be following the first section on the water and sanitary (pipes)," Goddard said, adding then they'll begin work on Main Street.

The work should be complete by the end of October.







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# Halton's booming with babies



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CNE CONTEST: Costumed as zombies, three Acton dancers Monique Lalande (left) Amber Piette and Amber Price will perform their dance "Haunted" at the Rising Star 2007 dance competition at the CNE in August – Submitted photo

### Still space in Acton summer camps

By Frances Niblock

While there's been an increase in the number of campers signed up for Town recreation and parks programs in Acton this summer,

there are still spaces in programs being offered next week and in August.

"Although the most popular camps are filling up fast, it's not too late to sign up

for many of the camps," said Mandy Duncan, the Town's recreation supervisor on Monday, adding they'll put names on a waiting list, if necessary.

"One of the really popular programs this summer is the Creative Kids Camp – an arts and crafts program – and there's space in the August 7

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#### Milton leads the pack with 16% hike

New 2006 census numbers show Halton has experienced remarkable growth in children 0 to 6 years of age in the past five years.

Halton has had a 17% increase in the population of young children (0 to 6 years) which means that there are over 5,700 more young children in Halton. In comparison, the growth rate in the population of young children in Ontario was -3% over the past five years.

Halton's population of babies (under one year) has also increased by 32% resulting in over 1,300 more babies in Halton over a five-year period.

While all four municipalities have seen increases in the numbers of young children, Milton has experienced tremendous growth. Milton has seen a 163% increase in the number of children aged 0 to 6 years. In 2001, there were about 2,300 young children which compares to 6,000 in 2006. Milton's population of babies has gone from 280 in 2001 to 1045 in 2006 which represents a 273% increase in the number of babies.

Funding for the expansion

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