In an effort to gather public input and increase public awareness, our Green Plan Task Force has added a new "Green Plan" link to its website. Information regarding the Town's Green Plan, as well as other Town environmental initiatives, can be found at http://www. halton.ca/townhall/greenplan.php

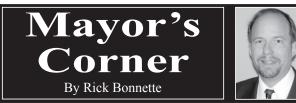
Council is committed to undertake actions that will contribute to the achievement for a healthy environment.

Scouts Clean-up

Way to go to the Georgetown Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers who participated in a clean up of Hungry Hollow in September. We should all take these youngsters lead.

Parents

Hey, it's 4:22 a.m. Do you know where your



15-year-olds are? I had an irate telephone call two weeks ago from a resident who was upset with a bunch of kids who were skateboarding, shouting, etc. at one of the new facilities. I don't blame the resident at all. C'mon parents of these teenagers, take some responsibility.

New Directors

The Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce has just Sworn-In new board of directors for 2008/2008. Past President Helen Mac-Cormack did a fine job of representing the Chamber over the past year, and I will look forward to work-



ing with new President Jamie Schumacker and the new Board.

Construction

The Main Street, Acton reconstruction project is moving along quite nicely. Please remember these merchants when doing your shopping. Wherever you live in Halton Hills, remember to shop local. You will still get the best bargains.

Looooong Walk

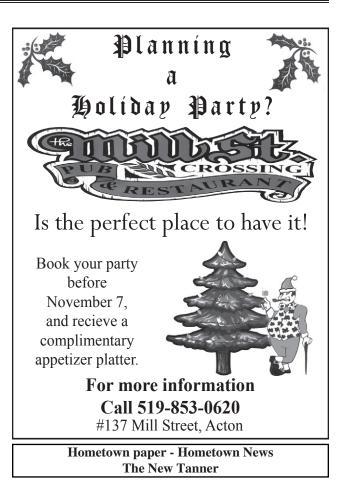
Congratulations to Lauren Boyce on completing a 28-km walk from Civic Centre to Erinoak Kids Rehabilitation Centre in Mississauga. Councillor's Moya Johnson and Jon Hurst also completed the walk. Bet they were sore!

Business Welcome On behalf of Council, I welcome the new business of Ron's Burner Service LTD. to Acton, and extend congratulations to St. Alban's Anglican Church in Acton as it recently celebrated its 135th anniversary.

A Little Artwork

Susan Little, local watercolour artist, is presently showcasing her artwork on Mayor's Artwall. She combines her love of nature and her illustrative graphic design techniques to create colourful and bold landscapes, tropical fish and florals.

Contact Me Keeping it real! I can be reached by telephone at 905-873-2601, ext. 2342, or by e-mail at mayor@haltonhills.ca



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E-Waste Amnesty Week

Monday, October 15 to Saturday, October 20, 2007 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Halton Region residents can drop off e-waste free of charge during the E-Waste Amnesty Week. Acceptable e-waste includes:

- computers
- computer monitors
- computer peripherals (keyboards, mouses, scanners, speakers, etc.)
- televisions and remote controls
- VCRs and remote controls
- DVD players and remote controls
- stereos and speakers
- answering machines
- MP3 players

E-waste from industrial, commercial or institutional settings are not accepted.

E-waste collected during the E-Waste

Amnesty Week will be sent for proper recycling.

E-waste (excluding computer monitors and televisions) are accepted all year at Halton Waste Management Site's Container Station for a small fee.

Discarded electronic waste is accumulating at an alarming rate worldwide. According to Environment Canada, Canadians threw out an estimated 167,000 tonnes of E-waste in 2002. This amount is expected to increase to about

206,000 tonnes by 2010. Today the average life span of both computers and monitors is less than two years.

The E-Waste Amnesty Week is one of the initiatives identified in the Region's 2006-2010 Solid Waste Management Strategy that will assist in reaching a goal of diverting 60% of residential waste away from landfill. Halton Region's E-Waste Amnesty Week coincides with the national Waste Reduction Week.

> Halton Waste Management Site 5400 Regional Road 25, Milton



Waste Reduction Week

Did you know?

• If everyone worldwide consumed as much as we do in Canada, four new planets would be needed to support us all.



• In a lifetime, the average North American will throw away 600 times his or her adult weight in garbage. A 68 kg (150 lbs) adult will leave a legacy of 40,825 kg (90,003 lbs) of trash.

The annual Waste Reduction Week is taking place October 15 to October 21, 2007. This national event encourages everyone to make a difference in the amount of waste materials being processed.

Here are some ways you can reduce the amount of waste your family generates each week:

- Avoid pre-packaged and ready-made foods. Not only are they usually overpackaged, they are also not as healthy as foods you prepare from fresh ingredients.
- Buy in bulk. Not only will this cut down on the amount of packaging you throw away, but it saves you money too.
- Use a reusable bag when shopping.
- Pack a "litterless lunch" for school and work. Use reusable containers to pack sandwiches, soups or salads, etc. Bring your own reusable cutlery and a reusable thermos for your drink.
- Use rechargeable batteries whenever possible.
- Instead of using disposable cups, ask colleagues to "lug a mug" in your office.
- Make double-sided photocopies and use scrap paper for messages.
- Turn off lights, TVs and computers when they aren't in use.
- Turn off the faucet when brushing your teeth. Use a rain gauge because your lawn only needs 1 inch of water a week.
- Don't let your car idle for more than 30 seconds. Idling pollutes our air and wastes gas.
- Take public transit, ride a bike, walk, or carpool with friends and colleagues to help keep our air clean.

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