



HONOURED: Rotarian Bill Sanford is joined by his wife Kathy after accepting the prestigious Paul Harris Fellowship Award for exemplifying the Rotary motto, "Serve Above Self." It was presented at the club's gala auction on Friday night at the Acton Legion. - Angela Tyler photo

Kudos to the province

TWO THUMBS UP to the Province of Ontario! At times, I have been critical in the past, but today I give kudos to the Province. On March 28 the Honourable David Caplin, Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal, announced that the Town of Halton Hills had been awarded \$1.9 million dollars to be used for the reconstruction of the Maple Avenue Fire Station. Council and the Fire Department are all very excited about receiving these funds.

Halton Hills appreciates the funding from Minister Caplin. Funding like this is showing that the provincial government is very interested in assisting municipalities like ours. Councillor Moya Johnson, Chair of the Fire Services and Emergency Planning Committee also welcomed the news by saying "funding like this is an excellent partnership program between the Town and the Province that will benefit the community, environment, and economy."

What a great job so many of you have done in helping to keep our Town clean. Schools, organizations, groups and individuals took time from their busy schedules to pick up trash left over from the winter snow. Too bad we can't get through to people that littering and dumping is simply not acceptable.

Mayor's Corner

By Rick Bonnette



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Speaking of cleaning up our Town, Scott Lord is continuing with his fundraising for the Hospital for Sick Children Sick Kids Foundation by offering his services to the residents of our community for general maintenance such as Spring and Fall Clean-up, yard waste removal, lawn care, planting, weeding, etc. Donations received by Scott will be donated specifically to the Research Fund for Mitochondrial Disease. If you need a helping hand, please give Scott a call at 905-877-6161, or by cell phone at 647-380-1330.

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Some of you may still remember Glen "Skinner" McKenzie, a former long time resident of Acton. "Skinner" is alive and well, and living in French River. He is to get an award in Sudbury later this month for donating blood for the 200th time.

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A reminder to all that the 8th annual door-to-door fundraising campaign for

Cancer Assistance Services of Halton Hills (CASHh) is underway. CASHh provides assistance to families in Halton Hills by providing a long list of services, at no charge. The number of cancer patients in Halton Hills is growing every year, so don't forget to donate to this very worthwhile charity either at the door, or by cheque to Cancer Assistance Services Halton Hills, 222 Mountainview Road North, Halton Hills, L7G 3R2, telephone 905-702-8886.

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Lastly, I know many of you were disappointed with the first week of the Regional GreenCart Program. I, along with Councillors and staff, received many calls that first week. It is an important program, and I know the service by Halton Region will improve as time goes on.

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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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LUCKYLADY: "Grandma" Rowena Manes (sitting) once again crocheted an afghan for Acton Rotary Club's annual gala auction, as she does every year. Margaret MacKinnon was the lucky bidder for this prized Acton craftsmanship at this year's auction at Acton Legion Friday night. - Angela Tyler photo