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Volunteers needed for provincial drinking water lead testing program



Halton Region is committed to providing residents and businesses with safe, clean drinking water. Halton has routinely tested for the presence of lead and historically there have been no issues with lead in our municipal drinking water. However, as legislated by the Ministry of Environment, Halton Region must test for the presence of lead in drinking water at consumers' taps. Halton Region is looking for residents and businesses to volunteer for this community-wide drinking water sampling program.

- We are looking for people who live in an older home who suspect they have a lead service connection or lead in their home's plumbing. (Homes built before 1952 may have lead service connections or internal lead plumbing, and homes built before 1990 may have lead solder connecting copper pipes.)
- Halton staff will require access to your property to collect a sample. Testing is free and the results will be shared with you.

Please register for this program by February 13, 2009. For more information call Halton Region or visit the website at www.halton.ca/LeadInWater to register online.

OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE

Greater Toronto Airports Authority Board Of Directors

Halton Region is seeking candidates interested in becoming a municipal representative on the Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) Board of Directors. Membership information, including qualifications and required experience for directors, is available on the Region's website www.halton.ca. Persons having senior financial management expertise with financial operating experience and financial literacy or persons with environmental expertise are particularly encouraged to apply.

A sub-committee of Halton Regional Council will interview all qualified candidates and Regional Council will recommend three (3) qualified nominees to the GTAA Board of Directors for consideration. The Regions of Durham and Peel will also recommend three candidates. Four Directors will be appointed by the GTAA Board, one nominee from each municipality and one At-Large appointment, for a three-year term commencing in May 2009.

To apply: Application forms are available on www.halton.ca, by e-mail to regionalclerk@halton.ca, or from the Office of the Regional Clerk, Halton Region, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, during business hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Completed applications must be received at the Office of the Regional Clerk no later than Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at 4:30 p.m. Completed forms may be submitted on-line, by mail or by fax to 905-825-8838.

REQUEST FOR PREQUALIFICATION

T- 014-09 (A)

Request for Prequalification for Janitorial and Carpet Maintenance Services for the Halton Regional Centre, Woodlands Operations Centre and Halton Region Police Headquarters

Issue Date: Thursday, January 8, 2009
Closing Date: Thursday, January 29, 2009
Closing Time: 2:00 p.m. Oakville Time

Bid documents can be viewed or obtained on and after the issue date from Purchasing Services Halton Region, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, ON, L6M 3L1, during regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For inquiries telephone 905-825-6000, toll free 1-866-442-5866, ext. 7011.

The cost for bid documents is \$15.75 (includes GST), payable to Halton Region, which is non-refundable. Bid documents can be shipped to bidders for an additional non-refundable handling fee of \$10.50 (includes GST). Bid documents available to download from www.halton.ca/shop.

Halton Region relies on this advertisement to provide public notice of this business opportunity and is not obligated to notify any potential bidders in any other manner.

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APPRECIATION: Acton High School teacher Ms. Jen Ross is the recipient of a \$1,000 in gift cards to enhance her classroom teaching by STAPLES Business Depot, part of a Canada wide contest conducted by the company. Ms. Ross, right, was nominated for the award by Bekky Gibson, centre, a student at Acton High. Carolyn Lamouch, left, general manager at STAPLES makes the presentation. - submitted photo

AHS teacher Jen Ross recognized by company

Staples Business Depot invited elementary and secondary students across Canada to participate in a "Show Your Teacher Appreciation" contest and shore how their teacher made learning easy.

Bekky Gibson did just that when she submitted her heartfelt entry on her outstanding teacher, Ms. Jen Ross, of Acton District High School in Acton.

"Ms. Ross is exceptional in every way. She treats every student with respect and love and trust. She was not able to have children, and says endearingly that that doesn't bother her, because she has us. She as diagnosed with MS in her early 20's and has not let that stop her. She spent years in a wheelchair and though she is not cured, and still endures many painful [treatments], she stands, runs, jumps and dances with us every day," Bekky says

"I was delighted to win the STAPLES contest, what was particularly heartening was to be nominated by a student. The creative energy students bring to the classroom gives me hope for the future," said Ms. Ross. When asked about how she plans to invest her winnings in the classroom, she confirmed that she will be using the money to get organized (not her strong point!)

Ms. Ross has been teaching for 18 years. Her motivation for teaching is helping students achieve their potential. "This is a meaningful way to spend your life, it's fun too!"

Bekky was moved to enter Ms. Ross into the STAPLES

"Show Your Teacher Appreciation" contest because of Ms. Ross's outstanding teaching abilities and compassion towards all of her students.

STAPLES also selected winning entries from Brit-

ish Columbia/Alberta, Saskatchewan/Manitoba, Quebec and Atlantic Canada. Each teacher was awarded a \$1,000 STAPLES gift card and the student received a 4G iPod Nano for their winning entry.

BRANCH No. 197 **LEGION NEWS** By James Hayes P.R.O.

Comrades,

Levee Day attendance was good, and with the excellent buffet, and Kent Tocher's music, who could ask for anything more?

The benefit fundraiser that day organized by Dave Maloney was well supported by the membership and I understand \$686 dollars will be added to the branch Support the Troops Fund. Well done to all who contributed time and money to make the day a success, including: Marshall and Barbara Lomax, Tip Top International Liquidators, Isabel McNiely, Joan Maloney, Jason Knight, and Alice and George DeRabbie.

We plan to repeat this effort on Feb. 14; no further details are available at this time.

The New Year's Eve party was well attended and the efforts of the following must be noted:- Connie Bath, Sue Poulsen, Joyce Buchanan, Marg Bromby, Julie Conroy, Rosalee Dawkins, Tom and Janet Grant, Kevon Lumbers, Keith Andrews and his marvellous bar crew.

Honours and Awards, Sunday, Jan. 18. The Branch will be open from 1pm to 6pm. Entertainment and light lunch. Awards at 2pm

Membership Reminder: Comrades, if your 2009 dues are not paid on or before Jan 15th.2009, you will not be eligible to participate in either of the draws at the bar.

Sports: Mixed Darts, Tuesday nights, start 7.25p.m. - Finish approx. 9:30 p.m. Format - Draw doubles Skill level not important, ability to have a good time, the best reason to come out.

*Yours in comradeship,
Jim Hayes, Branch
PRO.*

Ladies Auxiliary News

Hoping everyone brought in the New Year on a happy note. Our next general meeting for the New Year is this Thursday, Jan. 8, at 7:30pm. Please try to attend.

Wishing all the members who are ill a speedy recovery.

*Yours in comradeship,
L.A. President
Annamarie Lowin*