

Lorne Doberthien's death shock for family, friends

Known for his love of a good joke and his get up and go attitude, family and friends of the late Lorne Doberthien mourned his sudden and unexpected passing at a funeral service on Tuesday at Knox Presbyterian Church, where he served as an elder.

Doberthien died Friday in Milton hospital, days after a minor procedure. His family were stunned by the suddenness of his death – he and wife June were slated to leave for an Alaskan cruise the day after he died – but also appreciative for the tender mercy that he did not linger.

“Lorne would not have been happy tied down in a bed somewhere. He wanted to get going – his famous words were ‘let’s get out of this place and get moving,’” June Doberthien said after the funeral service.

Born in Kitchener, Doberthien moved to Burlington for six months after his marriage in 1956, and then moved to rural Acton where he lived until three years ago when the Doberthiens moved to Milton to be near their daughter Leann Hamilton and her husband and two children. They also have another daughter Lisa, who lives in British Columbia.

In Acton, Doberthien was known for his support of the Canadian Cancer Society and his founding work with ASSIC – the social services umbrella organization now known as Links2Care. He served as chairman of the new organization and helped it grow to serve the needs of Acton.

Doberthien owned a car dealership in Acton for 16 years – it was called L&L Ford after his daughters. He sold it in 1988 or 1989 and then worked for sev-



Lorne Doberthien

eral other dealerships until he fully retired to enjoy travelling.

“We had some wonderful cruises – Lorne sometimes didn’t get off the ship, but he and his friends would find a spot on the deck and enjoy themselves,” Mrs. Doberthien said.

His interest with the Canadian Cancer Society – he was a driver for cancer patients who needed transportation to treatments – and the local Terry Fox Run was sparked by his own bout with ostiogenic

sarcoma, the same type of cancer that took the life of Terry Fox. And like Fox, Doberthien lost a leg to the disease, which repeatedly spread to his lungs before finally being eradicated.

“He was diagnosed 33 years ago and the doctors didn’t give him very good odds – it was something like 1 in 100 or maybe it was one in 1,000 chances of beating it, but despite the cancer spreading to his lungs three times, he did beat it and he never complained,” Mrs. Doberthien said, remembering that her husband told his doctor that he had to live to see his daughters, who were approximately five and seven years old at the time, grow up.

“I have very good memories of him. You could never ask for anyone better than Lorne – I’m going to miss him terribly.”

Doberthien was interred at Fairview Cemetery in Acton.

Bethel again running ‘upbeat’ Alpha course

Bethel Christian Reformed Church is running the Alpha course again, an upbeat 10 week program which gives participants the opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed, friendly setting.

Alpha is now in 155 countries, where millions have completed the course in churches, homes, schools, universities and prisons, according to Diane Leferink, outreach coordinator at Bethel.

“This will be the tenth year we have offered the Alpha course,” Diane says, “and hundreds of men and women have come to the course at Bethel for a variety of reasons. Some come to investigate Christianity, others to discover the point of life. Still others who attend church take the course to get a renewed or better understanding of the faith.”

Many people from Acton and area have

become Christians through the Alpha program. They love to share and talk about what God has done in their lives through Alpha explains Diane.

The course goes for 10 weeks at Bethel and meets once a week, including a special weekend about halfway through, ending with a celebration dinner. Each Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m., beginning this September 22, a dinner will be offered followed by a video on a variety of topics including Who is Jesus? Why did Jesus die?

After the video the group meets for discussion where no question about life or God is seen as too simple or too hostile.

Those interested in finding out more about the Alpha course can go to Bethel’s website www.actoncrc.com or call the church at 519.853.2121.



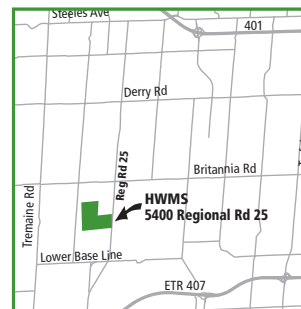
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Annual Fall Compost Give Away Halton Waste Management Site

**Friday, September 18,
Saturday, September 19 and
Monday, September 21
8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

Thanks to the participation efforts of Halton residents, approximately 40,000 tonnes of yard waste was collected last year and turned into rich, garden-friendly compost. Halton residents are invited to come out to the Fall Compost Give Away to pick up some of this compost as a ‘Thank You’ for helping divert a usable material from the landfill, thereby extending its life!

- All Halton households are welcome to collect a maximum of seven bags (or equivalent) of compost.
- Please bring your own containers (garbage bags, yard waste bags, reusable containers, pick-up bed, trailer, etc.) and shovel.
- Residents are responsible for shovelling and bagging their own compost.
- Non-perishable food items or cash donations will be gratefully accepted on behalf of Halton area food banks.



Helpful Hint – When applying your compost to your gardens, ensure you blend it with topsoil or another gardening fill. Recommended application for best growing results is a 60/40 split (60% topsoil and 40% compost).



House cleaning? We can help!

Bring your reusable clothing and household items to the Salvation Army Reuse Depot at Halton’s Waste Management Site.

For a list of acceptable materials and for additional information please visit www.halton.ca/waste



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**TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE
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Acton Fall Fair (Parade)
Saturday, September 19, 2009
approximately 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

From Acton Blvd. to Queen St. to Young St. to Mill St. to Main St. to Knox Blvd. and into Prospect Park.

If you require any additional information regarding this temporary road closure, please contact the Recreation and Parks Department at 905-873-2601 ext 2273.

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It's that time of year again...

Registration for Boys & Girls Clubs at ACTON Bethel Church is about to begin!

GEMS Girls Club and Cadets Boys' Club meet every Thursday 7-9pm, September to May



CADETS is a weekly bible based program for boys ages 7-13. Badges, camping and woodworking are all part of the fun! For more info on Cadets visit www.actoncrc.com/cadets.html or <http://www.calvinistcadets.org>

GEMS (Girls Everywhere Meeting the Saviour) Girls' Club is for girls ages 7-13. Badge work, crafts, games, singing, and learning about Jesus are part of the fun activities at GEMS. For more about this exciting program check out our website www.actoncrc.com/gems.html or www.gemsgc.org



Registration: Thursday, September 17th from 7-8:30pm at Bethel Church (365 Queen St. E.) in Acton
Phone (519) 853-2121 Website: www.actoncrc.com