## Deidre Doll cards on sale in fundraiser

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hristmas is a time of giving. And with four holiday cards designed by the Deidre and Friends Foundation, the gift can be one of health and life.

Clem Scholtz will sell the cards at Milton Mall tomorrow. They can also be purchased at North End Nissan and Milton Chrysler Dodge as well as Don Cherry's Grapevine and Heady's, both located at the mall.

Deidre Scholtz could count her age on the fingers of one hand when her battle with severe idiopathic aplastic anemia hit the front pages in town. At the time, the tike's lifeline was lassoed to the hope of finding a suitable donor for a bone marrow transplant.

And that process can best be likened to finding a needle in a haystack. But a donor was found and now Deidre is a happy, healthy nine-year-old, reported her mom, Liz.

"Deidre is a miracle. She truly is," said Ms Scholtz. "She's so well. If you saw her, you'd never know she was ill."

Extensive chemotherapy, radiation and drugs used to conquer the condition have left their mark on the child, who will always be on guard for fallout from her childhood illness.

But lately the brittle fear of a reoccurrence has faded.

"Something attacked her bone marrow and left her with this dead bone marrow," said Ms Scholtz. "But we don't know what caused it."

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And that means it could return. But after five years, the marrow transplant is considered to be successful.

So these days the family is focused on providing information and emotional support for families in the grim grips of bone marrow diseases. And once the foundation really gets rolling, they're hoping to add financial support as well.

"We ran into some frustrating situations at the time," said Ms Scholtz. "Hopefully we'll be able to assist people. It's kind of exciting."

The Christmas cards all feature the Deidre doll, a pink and purple-garbed wooden doll that has become synonymous with the real child's ferocious fight for her life.

A package of eight cards, featuring two of each design, retails for \$10, with all the proceeds going to the Deidre and Friends Foundation. The cards sold out last year, which was the family's first go at it.

This year, 4,000 have been printed and hopes are high to sell out once more.

Deidre herself helps out, but it's too soon to say whether she'll be at the mall with her dad to sell cards this Saturday, said Ms Scholtz.

"She is a great little salesman," she said.
"She'll probably be in and out and about.
We try not to make her the focus so much."

The little girl also likes to help others going through bone marrow transplants.

When the family visits the hospital for her now annual check-up, she wanders up and down the hall, looking in on patients.

"She'll go in there and say, 'Hang in there. It gets better. Look at me," said Ms Scholtz. "She has a wisdom beyond her years."

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LIZ SCHOLTZ

Deidre may have won her life, but she already knows too much about loss.

In the depths of her ailment, she became fast friends with two others fighting bone marrow conditions.

With desperate illness in common, the children and their families linked up. The

kids were called the three musketeers.

But of those brave musketeers, only Deidre has survived.

The memory of the lost musketeers is honoured with the symbol of the Deidre and Friends Foundation, which depicts a tear drop and a broken heart which, when turned on its side, becomes the number three.

"You're happy for your success but we wonder how did it work that we were successful and others weren't," said Ms Scholtz.

For more information on the Deidre and Friends Foundation, call 878-3401 or fax to 693-0743.

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Expropriations Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.26

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO EXPROPRIATE LAND

IN THE MATTER OF an application by The Regional Municipality of Halton for approval to expropriate lands described in Schedule "A" hereto, being in the Town of Milton, in the Regional Municipality of Halton for the purpose of widening and reconstructing Guelph Line from No. 10 Side Road northerly to No. 15 Side Road.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the land described as follows in Schedule "A" hereto:

Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given who desires an inquiry into whether the taking of such land is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority shall so notify the approving authority in writing.

- (a) in the case of a registered owner, served personally or by registered mail within thirty (30) days after the registered owner is served with the notice, or, when the registered owner is served by publication, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice;
- (b) in the case of an owner who is not a registered owner, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice.

The approving authority is:

The Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, Ontario L6M 3L1.

The expropriating authority is:

The Regional Municipality of Halton, c/o Joan Eaglesham, Regional Clerk, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, Ontario L6M 3L1.

Joan A. Eaglesham Regional Clerk

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## SCHEDULE "A"

All and singular the lands in the Geographic Township of Nassagaweya, in the Town of Milton, in the Regional Municipality of Halton, being composed of parts of those lands described as Parts of Plans deposited in the Registry Office for the Land Titles Division of Halton (No. 20), more particularly described as follows:

Part of Lot(s)	Concession(s)	Part(s)	<u>Plan</u>	Pin(s)(LT)
5	4	1	20R-12204	24979-0072
14	3 and 4	1-2 and 4-6	20R-12205	24979-0083
				24979-0085
				24981-0083
				24981-0084
				24981-0085
13	3 and 4	2 and 3	20R-12206	24979-0091
				24981-0089
12	3	1 and 2	20R-12207	24981-0099
				24981-0095
11	3	2-3	20R-12208	24981-0100
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11	3	1-6	20R-13304	24981-0102
14 and 15	3	1 and 2	20R-13307	24981-0077
				24981-0081



