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'Big Pipe' getting closer and closer

By IRENE GENTLE

The Champion

The bad news is traffic may be snarled on Regional Road 25 for a while.

But the good news is the project to bring lake water to Milton, allowing for a population surge unlike what this small town has ever seen, is about half way through.

And it's more or less running on schedule.

An open house at the Halton Region administrative centre in Oakville Thursday night aimed to give residents a heads up on the progress of what has been nicknamed the 'Big Pipe'.

And if it was slow going — just 10 people showed up — it could be because residents have been kept informed via everything from a 24-hour hotline to a frequent-

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ly-updated web site.

It's a policy that, despite traffic delays, seems to have kept residents reasonably content with the process, said Halton's project manager of the Halton Urban Structure Plan David Ohashi.

"Primarily, there's just a lot of interest from real estate agents, to be honest," he said.

As promised, businesses and homes affected by the construction have been warned ahead of time that crews are on their way.

And steps are taken to ensure the disturbance is kept to a minimum.

"We've worked around them," said Mr. Ohashi.

"We've had no business complaints."

What the Region has been unable to do is keep two-way traffic open at all times, which had been the original plan.

The reason, said Mr. Ohashi, is worker safety, which would be hampered if both lanes were open in all cases.

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Mill Pond project flowing

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A long-awaited project to rejuvenate the weed-choked Mill Pond is poised for take off.

The latest design was approved June 26 by the Town's administration and planning committee. Final approval is expected at tonight's council meeting.

That's one day before construction is set to start on the project, which aims to dredge the pond of about 30,000 cubic metres of sediment in order to eradicate the roots of the invasive weed European Milfoil.

A public meeting to gather comments on the plan was held earlier this month.

That resulted in minor tinkering to the design, including the scaling back of a 3,500-square-metre wetlands area.

That would help push it away from a look-out point near the pond's Margaret Street entrance.

And the channel leading into the pond

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Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

Moving day has arrived for Peter and Mary Korchuska, the first occupants of the Marian Courtyard residences. Board of Directors Chair Martha Gleeson (left) was happy to help.

Marian Courtyard on its way

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It's fortunate that the freshly-constructed Marian Courtyard condominium project is linked via a covered walkway to the neighbouring Holy Rosary Church.

That's because both new resi-

dents and the steering committee that boldly dreamed up the project and waited eons for it to take root are liable to get down on their knees in praise that it's finally ready to roll.

"Oh, we waited, you don't know," said Mary Korchuska, who along with her husband Peter are the first couple to officially take residence in the four-

floor adult community building. "I said 'is it coming, is it coming?'"

The almost finished project is the concrete reality of a sweeping venture dreamed up by Holy Rosary parishioners seven years ago.

"There's such a need in Milton," said Martha Gleeson,

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TIP OF THE MONTH:
 Fleas are small blood sucking insects that feed on the blood of cats, dogs and man causing irritation, skin disease and allergic reactions. Fleas transmit tapeworms to your pet. Flea season in Southern Ontario begins when the weather gets warm and lasts until the second hard frost in November. The peak months are August, September and October. Yet fleas may live in our homes all year round. New innovations in flea control have made flea collars and sprays practically obsolete. Come and visit us for the most up to date and effective methods of flea control.

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