

Woman volunteering in Haiti to help set up a computer network

Miltonian Andrea Long is no stranger to volunteer work.

But now she's stretching her wings to help those quite a bit further from home.

The 30-year-old is set to combine goodwill and business expertise in Haipian, Haiti — where starting Monday she'll help establish a computer network for the community's new radio station.

"I feel really good about this. There's been times when I've been helped out when I was down, so it's great to be able to give something back," said the Laidlaw Transit technical support analyst.

"It will be a good experience for myself."



Andrea Long

Ms Long and Hamilton co-worker Scott Miller will make the trip down with the Men for Missions International program, which operates in conjunction with Oriental Missionary Service International.

The pair's part of the project will last about a week — but both are hoping to bring more than just their knowledge of computer software to the underdeveloped nation.

They're currently seeking financial aid from members of their community, and so far Ms Long has received a generous clothing donation from Amity Goodwill Industries as well as financial backing from Woody's Landscaping and Halton Beauty Supply.

Anyone wishing to make a contribution of cash or clothes can do so by calling Ms Long at 330-0153, or after Sunday by calling her mother Mary Long at 878-8484.

Legion honours local poster contest winners

The Royal Canadian Legion branch 136 recently honoured some local children in its Remembrance Day poster contest.

Kids from Sam Sherratt, Holy Rosary and St. Peter's Schools participated in the contest.

Legion branch president Sharon

McKeown and youth and education chair Joe Lilko presented the awards to the students.

The winners are Peter Borcsok, Chantal Bowness, Siobhan Frank, Taylor Smith, Alexander Hood, Lee Falbo, Vanessa Nickel, Ali Hoyt Fox, Brooke Harper.

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