

McGuinty tries to rally the troops at Liberal fundraiser

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While Ontario's Progressive Conservative Party is scrabbling in a leadership race, Liberal leader Dalton McGuinty is laying the foundation for a future provincial election campaign.

Despite the inclement weather conditions Thursday night, about 220 party faithful — including 22 Liberal caucus members — attended a \$125-a-plate dinner at the Oakville Conference Centre.

The event was a fundraiser for the Oakville, Halton and Burlington riding associations and it kicked off a weekend provincial Liberal policy conference in Oakville.

In a speech that was aimed at rallying the troops, Mr. McGuinty also took several swipes at the Tory's track record over the past two years.

He led off with the role the government admitted to playing in the tainted water debacle of Walkerton.

The room fell silent as he rattled off the numbers of people affected.

"Twenty-three hundred people sick, 65 hospitalized, seven between the ages of 2 and 80 died, children are on dialysis, and some will require kidney transplants. This (Tory) government turned its back on public safety," said Mr. McGuinty.

The Liberals would avoid similar tragedies, he



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said, by hiring more inspectors to ensure Ontario's air and water is safe.

Mr. McGuinty called the tax break given to taxpayers who send their children to private schools a "bad idea" and promised smaller class sizes and improved relations with teachers, students, trustees and parents.

On health care he's a "strong defender of medicare" and intends to "build on its foundations."

It shouldn't matter how much money or who you are connected to in ensuring proper medical treatment, Mr. McGuinty added.

Should he become the next premier of Ontario, Mr. McGuinty said he would eliminate election date guessing games and ensure voters head to the polls every four years without fail. (The last election was June 1999).

"I don't believe in the premier's divine right to

call an election whenever it's advantageous," he said.

No matter which of the five candidates in the Tory leadership election win, little will change, said Mr. McGuinty.

"They are all cut from the same cloth, they've helped shape the decisions we have all had to live through. All of them agreed to cuts to the Ministry of Environment which led to the Walkerton tragedy and said okay to giving corporations a \$2.2 billion tax break," he said.

Locally, John Day has been chosen to represent the Liberals in the Halton riding in the next provincial election.

Since Premier Mike Harris came to power in 1995, the riding has been a Conservative stronghold.



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NOTICE OF TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE AND RECONSTRUCTION

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 300(1) of the Municipal Act, being Chapter M.45 of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1990, that the Council of the Town of Milton, at its meeting to be held in Town Hall, 43 Brown Street, on February 25, 2002, beginning at 7:30 pm will consider the passing of by-laws for the temporary closing and reconstruction of the following roads:

1. ANNE BOULEVARD FROM MEADOWBROOK DRIVE TO BELL STREET
2. ROBINWOOD CRESCENT
3. HARROP DRIVE NORTH OF STEELES AVENUE
4. MAIN STREET EAST FROM JAMES STREET TO COMMERCIAL STREET

Plans detailing these projects are available for viewing during normal business hours at Town Hall, 43 Brown Street, Community Services Department.

Council will hear, in person, or by their counsel, any person who claims that their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said by-laws, and who applies to be heard. Persons wishing to be heard should notify the Clerk's Department in writing, no later than Wednesday, February 20, 2002.

Any Inquiries should be directed to the following:

Phillip Antoniow, Projects Coordinator
Town of Milton
43 Brown Street
Milton, ON L9T 5H2
tel: 905-878-7252 (ext. 2161)
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Employment Opportunity Municipal Law Enforcement Officer – Parking Control

Position Summary

Reporting to the Town Clerk, this position is responsible for enforcement of the Municipal Parking By-laws while on foot patrol and/or driving on public and private properties located within the Town of Milton.

Major Job Responsibilities

- Provide assistance in regard to enforcement of regulatory and licensing by-laws as required
- Respond to and document parking complaints received through the Halton Police Service and/or the Town of Milton's Enforcement unit
- Analyze and determine appropriate section of legislation to lay charges, maintain accurate records
- Authorize, document and register with Halton Regional Police, the towing of vehicles
- Attend court and provide evidence in regard to charges laid

Education and Experience

Applicants should have a High School Diploma. A Municipal Law Enforcement Course would be an asset and/or a college diploma in the field of enforcement. Strong interpersonal skills, resolution skills and excellent written and verbal communication skills are required. Must possess a valid "G" Ontario driver's licence and have use of a vehicle for work-related travel.

Salary range under review

Please respond by February 20, 2002

Interested applicants should submit a resume to:
Town of Milton, 43 Brown Street
Milton Ontario L9T 5H2
Attention: Coordinator, Human Resources
Or fax to: (905) 878-4231

REQUEST FOR BID

- #02-088 Fitness Equipment Maintenance
- #02-209 Roof tile Management Program
- #02-198 Lawn Mowers
- #02-208 Fitness Equipment

Sealed Bids on forms supplied by the Town of Milton will be received by the Corporate Services Department, Purchasing until 11:00 am local time on:

Wednesday February 27, 2002

Specifications and forms may be obtained at the Town Hall, 43 Brown Street, Milton, Ontario, Corporate Services Department, Purchasing. During normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is a bid document fee of \$27.00 (\$25.23 + 1.76 GST) for regular bids or \$54.00 (\$50.46 + \$3.54 for bids with drawings. Payment can be made with cash, cheque, Interac or Visa/Mastercard.

Any inquiries regarding this tender may be directed to the Purchasing at (905) 875-5404. If you would prefer that this bid be couriered to you please complete the Request for Bid Document form on the Town's website: www.town.milton.on.ca. Plan takers and current and upcoming bids are also posted on the website.

Employment Opportunity Regular Part Time Administrative Assistant

Position Summary

The Community Services Department requires an individual to fill the position of Administrative Assistant working an average of twenty-one hours per week. This position will provide program support for areas of community development, including the Milton Community Fund, and support for a variety of programs offered by the Department. Working out of the Seniors' Activity Centre will allow the position to also support facility security and customer service functions during evening hours.

Major Job Responsibilities

- Provide customer service and facility security functions during evenings at the Seniors' Activity Centre
- Provide administrative support for the Milton Community Fund and other Department programs
- Maintain and track data, and prepare statistical reports for Department programs

Education and Experience

Applicants must possess a post secondary diploma in an office / administrative program, or equivalent and current CPR / First Aid certification. Applicants must be proficient in Windows based software and possess a working knowledge of Word, Excel, and Access. Knowledge of office equipment, effective written and oral communication skills, and customer service skills are required.

The range for the position is \$17.29 to \$20.35 per hour.

Please respond by February 14, 2002.

Interested applicants should submit a resume to:
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In accordance with the Freedom of Information and Privacy legislation, applicant information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act and will be used strictly for candidate selection. While we appreciate all applications received, only those invited for an interview will be contacted.