

## Six bingo volunteers are needed

The Children's Aid Foundation of Halton is looking for a few good volunteers.

Six volunteers are needed to assist in running the foundation's bingo operation in town.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Randy Puma at (905) 333-4441 ext. 214.

## Meeting to address public school board's under-funding woes

### Board challenging provincial funding formula for education

After reviewing Ontario school boards and scrutinizing its own financial records, the Halton District School Board has challenged the provincial funding formula for education, stating it's significantly inadequate to meet the needs of education today. "The funding formula doesn't work, and we have the statistics to support this statement," said Ethel Gardiner, chair of the Halton District School Board. "Boards across Ontario are struggling to match provincial education funding to local needs."

A public meeting will be held next Tuesday at Milton District High School at 7 p.m. to discuss budgeting issues, along with the grade 12/OAC double graduation class of 2003 and at-risk high school credit courses.

According to the Halton District School Board, the provincial government's funding formula, introduced in 1998, determines the amount school boards can spend, which severely limits a local school

board's ability to meet local needs.

The board also states provincial funding is based on 1997 dollars, which is below the cost of education today.

"The Halton District School Board has identified a number of areas where insufficient funding has taken its toll," said Carla Kisko, superintendent of business services.

"Special education is just one example of how this board is struggling to meet local needs with inadequate funding. This board has had to deplete its working fund reserves and defer implementation of other important program initiatives in order to continue to support this very necessary service for our special needs students."

Ms Gardiner said residents of Halton need to be aware of the shortcomings of provincial education funding and the implications that would have on students.

"That's why we're going out to our communities to talk with the public about budget issues," she said.

"Halton District School Board trustees are committed to improving communication with their constituents, and we see this a critical education matter demanding the public's attention."

## Woman charged in bizarre incident on Heslop Drive

A 48-year-old Milton woman faces a dangerous driving charge in connection with a domestic altercation on Heslop Drive Friday night.

According to police, a woman stole a 1987 Oldsmobile from the Royal Canadian Legion on Charles Drive at about 8:20 p.m. and drove it to Heslop Drive.

There, she drove over a 2002 Corvette

while a 33-year-old male acquaintance was inside.

The victim didn't sustain any injuries but the Corvette was severely damaged.

The woman returned the Oldsmobile to the Legion and was arrested a short time later.

She was charged with dangerous driving and will appear in court on March 12.

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### NOTICE OF TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE AND RECONSTRUCTION

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 300 of the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M.45, as amended, 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:

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43 Brown Street  
Milton, ON L9T 5H2  
Tel: 905-878-7252 (ext. 2161)  
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email: [phil.antoniow@town.milton.on.ca](mailto:phil.antoniow@town.milton.on.ca)

### REQUEST FOR BID

#### #02-216 Various minor facility remedial work

**Note: There will be a site meeting on Monday, February 25th at 2p.m. at Town Hall**

#### #02-171 Fire Station #3 Equipment Shelter Construction

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

**Wednesday, March 13, 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 GST) 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](http://www.town.milton.on.ca). Plan takers and current and upcoming bids are also posted on the website.