

Miltonians asked to help flood victims

The Canadian Red Cross is appealing to Miltonians to help residents left homeless by flooding in Badger, Nfld.

The town of Badger experienced severe flooding Saturday, resulting in an evacuation of the entire town. Since then, the Red Cross has been working closely with municipal and provincial authorities to provide relief assistance to the evacuated residents.

"Initial assessment of the situation indicates that the relief efforts could last many days, and we are appealing to the public for help to meet the immediate needs of the evacuees," said Rhonda Kenney, regional director for

Newfoundland and Labrador Region of the Canadian Red Cross.

"The people of Badger have been forced to leave their homes and belongings behind. Some have needed shelter, while others have required food and clothing. Our appeal will help provide for these basic necessities while they wait for the flood waters to recede."

The Canadian Red Cross has been providing evacuated residents with food, clothing, personal care items and shelter since Saturday. In addition, they have provided support to rescue workers.

"There severe temperatures have complicated

the situation," said Ms Kenney. "The flood waters have been freezing in some places, making it very difficult to assess what may be required for support over the long-term. Therefore, we are limiting our appeal to \$250,000, which we need immediately to provide essential relief. Once the waters have receded, we will re-assess the situation in conjunction with municipal and provincial authorities."

To make a donation to the Badger Flood Appeal, call 1-800-418-1111. You can also donate online at www.redcross.ca, or make a donation at the Milton branch of the Canadian Red Cross at 42 Bronte St. South.

Are you new to Canada?

If you're a newcomer to Canada and looking to learn English and know more about the country, Language Instruction For Newcomers to Canada (LINC) could be for you.

The LINC program in Milton is currently holding winter registrations for levels 1 to 5 of its classes at E.C. Drury High School, 215 Ontario St. The program is free.

For more information, call (905) 875-3851.

Halton Region

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CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Join the

Mid Halton Sewage Treatment Plant Citizen Advisory Committee

This is an opportunity to participate in the Environmental Assessment process for one of Halton's most important infrastructure projects.

The Committee will comment on the Terms of Reference for phases 3 and 4 of the Environmental Assessment Process for the Mid Halton Sewage Treatment Plant. Committee members will learn about sewage treatment technology and environmental standards, and discuss ideas for optimizing plant operations and minimizing impacts on the surrounding community.

Participation from across Halton (Oakville, Burlington, Halton Hills, Milton) is encouraged.

If you are interested in applying for a position on this Citizen Advisory Committee, please submit an application form.

Application forms are available:

- For pick up from the Clerk's Division, Halton Region, 1151 Bronte Rd., Oakville
- By calling 905-825-6000 ext. 7254 (toll free: 1-866-442-5866)
- On Halton Region's Mid Halton Plant web page: www.region.halton.on.ca (click on the Mid Halton icon)

All applications must be received by 4:30 pm on Friday, March 14th, 2003.

For more information, please contact the Regional Clerk's Division at the numbers above, or by e-mail at regionalclerk@region.halton.on.ca.

Tina Agnello
Regional Clerk

Vacancy Greater Toronto Airports Authority Board of Directors

Halton Region is seeking candidates interested in becoming a municipal representative on the Greater Toronto Airports Authority (GTAA) Board of Directors. Information, including the qualifications for directors and a list of relevant experience, is available on the Region's Web site at www.region.halton.on.ca under "General Interest" and may also be obtained by contacting Ms. Pat Crimmins, Regional Deputy Clerk at 905-825-6000 ext. 7256, toll free 1-866-442-5866 or by e-mail at crimminsp@region.halton.on.ca.

A sub-committee of Halton Regional Council will interview all qualified candidates on Monday, March 3, 2003. Regional Council will recommend three (3) qualified candidates to the GTAA Board of Directors. The Regions of Durham, Peel, York and the City of Toronto will also each recommend 3 candidates. From these fifteen (15) candidates, the Board will select up to two (2) members for a 3-year term to commence on May 7, 2003.

Please submit a letter of application, including your qualifications and other relevant information, by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 27, 2003 to Ms. Pat Crimmins, Regional Deputy Clerk, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, ON L6M 3L1.



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Skills Development & Training

**New Home Service Technician
Program at Centre for Skills
Development & Training**

The Centre for Skills Development & Training is proud to announce the launch of an exciting new career training opportunity for women: **The New Home Service Technician Program.**

This new program, which represents the most recent in a series of collaborative partnerships formed by The Centre with both government and industry, will provide 20 women between the ages of 16 and 30 with the opportunity to train for rewarding service careers in the construction industry.

With a start date of March 10, 2003, the program features 18 weeks in-class training, followed by 12 weeks of "hands-on, on-the job training" and 16 weeks paid work placement. The in-class portion of the program will take place at The Centre, while the on-the job training and work placement portions will be provided through Mattamy Homes Ltd. and various member companies of The Residential Construction Council of Central Ontario (RESCON). The Government of Ontario, through The Ontario Women's Directorate (OWD), will be providing tuition sponsorship with Human Resources Development Canada (HRDC) providing income support to qualified candidates.

In addition to the training provided, the program also boasts a significant post-program support feature. Mattamy Homes and RESCON will be providing opportunities for permanent placement to successful graduates while The Centre will be providing access to on-going mentorship and career development advice through its Women in Skilled Trades Support Network.

"With the increasing shortage of workers available to the skilled trades and given its history as a traditionally male dominated field, the timing of this program couldn't be better."

- Richard Lyall, President
The Residential Construction Council of Central Ontario

For more information about The New Home Service Technician Program, about The Centre or about other Skilled Trades or related programs, please call (905) 333-3499, Ext. 121 or visit www.thecentre.on.ca.

Career Training Opportunity

Are you a woman 30 or under? Looking for more than just a job?

Women in Skilled Trades Youth Internship Program

This exciting new program from The Centre prepares you for a Service Career in the Construction Industry as a New Home Service Technician and features:

- 18 weeks in-class training with "gender-friendly" instruction
- 12 weeks hands-on, on-the-job training
- 16 weeks paid work placement

Tuition sponsorship and income support for qualified candidates!

**Want to know more?
Come out to our next information session:**

Thursday, February 27th at 6:00 pm - Georgetown

**To reserve a spot, please call
905-333-3499, Ext. 121
or toll free 1-888-315-5521**

*The program begins March 10th, 2003!
Enrollment limited to a maximum of 20 students.*

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