

Fall fair's 150 years honoured this coming weekend

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The Champion

From lizards in costume to some very smart pigeons, the Milton Fall Fair is a place where you never know what to expect.

This year, the fair is celebrating its 150th birthday, so added to its regular line-up of events are anniversary displays and a memorabilia building manned by the Milton Historical Society.

The fair will run from Friday to Sunday at the Milton Fair Grounds, off Robert Street.

"It's the 150th anniversary, so there'll be a few more activities to highlight things of the past," said this year's fair president, Charlie Tilt.

Opening ceremonies conducted by Mayor Gord Krantz will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. and will be followed by a six-horse hitch, something that hasn't been at the fair in years.

"It's something that always went over well," Mr. Tilt said.

Past presidents and fair ambassadors will join in on the celebrations.

Sunday at noon, 150 homing pigeons will be released as a tribute to the fair's 150 years.

"They'll circle above the grounds and then fly home," Mr. Tilt said.

A children's pet show will take place Saturday. In honour of the fair's birthday, Mr. Tilt is encouraging children to dress the pets in period costume. Mr. Tilt said he was surprised when one child told him he'd be bringing his pet lizard decked in his finest.

The poultry show this year is "the best in the area," Mr. Tilt said, adding that he's expecting 600 to 800 birds.

Of course, the midway will be there, as well as plenty of games.

Last year the fair had 24,000 visitors and Mr. Tilt expects even more this year.

Other activities include vegetable and baking competitions and the demolition derby, which will run Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday afternoon. All day Saturday, there will be truck and tractor pulls. Musical entertainment, shows and exhibits of all sorts will run all three days.

Mr. Tilt, who's been involved with the fair since the late 1960s, said the fair brings a piece of the agricultural world to town.

"It gives a chance for people from urban parts of town to see what agricultural people are doing. They can see and touch the animals," he said, adding, "It brings the community together."

Mr. Tilt said he enjoys watching families appreciate the simple pleasures of life — which includes petting the animals.

"My favourite part is watching families come. I have a duck in hand and their faces just light up."

Halls and exhibits will be open Friday from 1 to 9 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission costs \$7 for adults and \$3 for children aged 6 to 12. Children under six years old get in free. Friday is Seniors Day, so seniors' admission is \$3.

For more information, call (905) 878-5689 or visit www.miltonfair.com.

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Penny Patterson stands with winning hay bale decorating contest entry for this year's fall fair. Her design is in keeping with the fair's 150th anniversary, and is entitled 'A Time to Celebrate'.

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Fall Into Perennials

Just because autumn is here doesn't mean your perennial garden is finished for the season. Fall is a great time of year to fill in some holes and add some fall interest to the garden. The fall perennial is the subject of this week's TERRA Trend.

There are a number of great perennials for fall. Sedums, Turtle Head and Russian Sage are a few of them but the most sought after perennials for the fall garden are ornamental grasses. Grasses add a great deal of colour, structure and texture to the fall and winter garden. They are easy to maintain, most are drought tolerant and grasses and best pruned back in the spring.

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Education centre opening

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That's when the Bay Area Learning Centre is set to open its doors to the public as part of its official launch.

An open house will run from 2:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the new school, located at 860 Harrington Crt. in Burlington.

Guests are invited to tour the facility and find out all about the centre — which offers a continuation of education, training and personal and career development services.

For more information about the centre, call Kathy Mills at (905) 333-3499, ext. 117.

FORM 1 AGGREGATE RESOURCES ACT NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A LICENCE

747752 ONTARIO LTD. (DUFFERIN AGGREGATES)
3300 HIGHWAY 7, SUITE 400, CONCORD, ONTARIO, L4K 4M3

Hereby, give notice that an application has been made for a Category 2, Class A License to excavate aggregate from a quarry of 0.81 hectares, located in:

Part Lot: 13
Geographic Township: Esquesing
Region: Halton
Concession: 1
Local Municipality: Halton Hills

Application is for an expansion to an established quarry and to be operated as part of Dufferin Aggregates' proposed Milton Quarry Extension

Tonnage Condition applied for annually is unlimited tonnes.

A detailed site plan and reports for the proposal may be examined at the local/regional municipal offices or at the district/local office of the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Any person(s) wishing to object to this application must send in writing, their objection with reason(s) to the applicant and the district/local office of the Ministry of Natural Resources at the addresses below:

The Applicant
747752 Ontario Ltd. (Dufferin Aggregates)
c/o MHBC Planning Limited
171 Victoria Street North, Kitchener, Ontario N2H 5C5
Attention: Brian Zeman

AND

Ministry of Natural Resources
District Manager, Aurora District
50 Bloomington Road West, Aurora, Ontario L4G 3G8;

The last day on which objections may be filed with the applicant and Ministry is the 10th day of November 2003

Note: All information in respect to this application including written objections, the names and addresses of any objector (s) is available for public review for the purpose of this application under the Aggregate Resources Act. In submitting a written objection, an objector consents under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act to its disclosure for purposes of the application.

FORM 2 AGGREGATE RESOURCES ACT NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

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Hereby, give notice that a Public Information Session will be held on:

Thursday, October 16, 2003
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

at

Granite Ridge Golf Course
9503 Dublin Line, Halton Hills, Ontario

The purpose of the Information Session is to present, to the public, the details of the application for a Category 2, Class 'A' license to permit a quarry below water.

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