

CH board approves \$50,000 celebration

By **STEPHANIE THIESSEN**

The Champion

A budget of \$50,000 has been approved for Conservation Halton's 50th anniversary celebrations next year, but a director on the board said he's anticipating some raised eyebrows from taxpayers.

Board member and Halton Hills Councillor Bryan Lewis said at the June 23 board of directors meeting he needs to know how to defend the seemingly hefty price tag.

"My immediate reaction is that it seems like a significant amount of money for a celebration," he said.

"Things like this make people in the community upset... It appears to be a \$50,000 party."

Gary Hutton, CH's director of communications, said the funds won't be used to finance a year-long party, but will go toward "good conservation initiatives" with lasting benefits.

"One of the criteria we've come up with is that (the anniversary projects) be tangible conservation initiatives with lasting benefits to the community," Mr. Hutton said after the meeting.

The motion — which came to the board of directors via the external relations committee — recommended that half the funds be considered for inclusion in CH's 2006 budget, with the other half being raised through special grants and sponsorships.

As one of the anniversary projects, Mr. Hutton said CH hopes to have a major tree planting involving the public at one of its properties.

CH also hopes to host a children's water festival in Halton next year, and to open the new Mountsberg Visitors' Centre at the

"My immediate reaction is that it seems like a significant amount of money for a celebration."

BRYAN LEWIS

park, he said.

As well, Mr. Hutton said CH wants to make the public more aware of its parks, and will do so with various anniversary events at the parks.

He added the projects have the potential of generating funds for the conservation agency, and gave the example of CH's book, 'Halton — Rising, Wild and Beckoning', which has raised about \$300,000. Producing a companion 50th anniversary trail guide is another possibility for further fundraising, he said.

CH board Vice-Chair John Vice spoke highly of the 50th anniversary celebration plans, and said they'll provide an opportunity for CH to make itself better understood.

"This is an opportunity to show the community what we do. We come under fire so easily," he said, adding, "We're talking about a milestone for our organization."

The board supported forming a steering committee of CH staff and directors, chaired by past board chair Jean Williams, to plan the anniversary initiatives.

Stephanie Thiessen can be reached at sthiessen@miltoncanadianchampion.com.

Correction

A sentence in a story about a severance package received by the Halton District School Board's former education director, which appeared in Friday's edition of The Champion, requires a correction.

Dusty Papke's original contract, signed

in 1997, stated if provided six months' notice for termination — without cause — he would receive two years' salary and 15 per cent of his wages in lieu of benefits.

The Champion regrets the error.

Keep your **COOL** Temperatures are **RISING**



Air Conditioning Check-up

- Diagnostic performance test
- Check belts & hoses
- System recharge

\$49.95*

Service available for both R12 & R134A systems

*Parts and refigerant extra.

Book your service appointment today!
Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00-5:30 pm
Sat 9:00-12:00 noon

K&B AUTO SERVICE

715 Main Street E. Milton 876-3148



KEVIN BLACKLOCK

IT'S A NEW DAY AT RICHARDSON

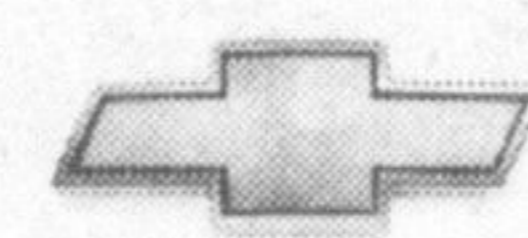


CHEVROLET
905-878-2393

HWY. 25 S. AT DERRY RD., MILTON

0% FINANCING AVAILABLE

† Up to 36 months on virtually all 2005 models. OAC.
Up to 72 months on 2005 cavalier. OAC.



2005 Aveo

5-yr/100,000 km GM Powertrain Warranty with \$0 deductible, 1.6L DOHC engine, 5-speed manual transmission, 60/40 split flip & fold rear seat, fog lights, tilt adjustable steering column, driver seat height adjuster, spoiler.



SMART LEASE
\$138**

Per mth/48 mths. \$1,630 Down Payment.
\$960 Freight, \$0 Security Deposit.

DOWN	MONTHLY	TOTAL DUE @ SIGN
\$0	\$173	\$1,389
\$2,000	\$131	\$3,640
\$4,000	\$88	\$5892

PURCHASE FINANCING

0%

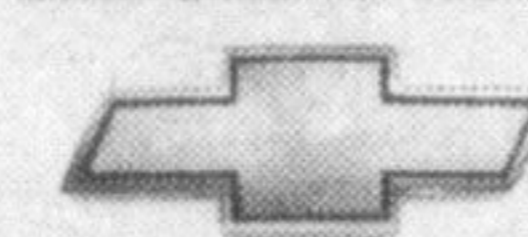
Up to 60 months

OR

PURCHASE CASH PRICE

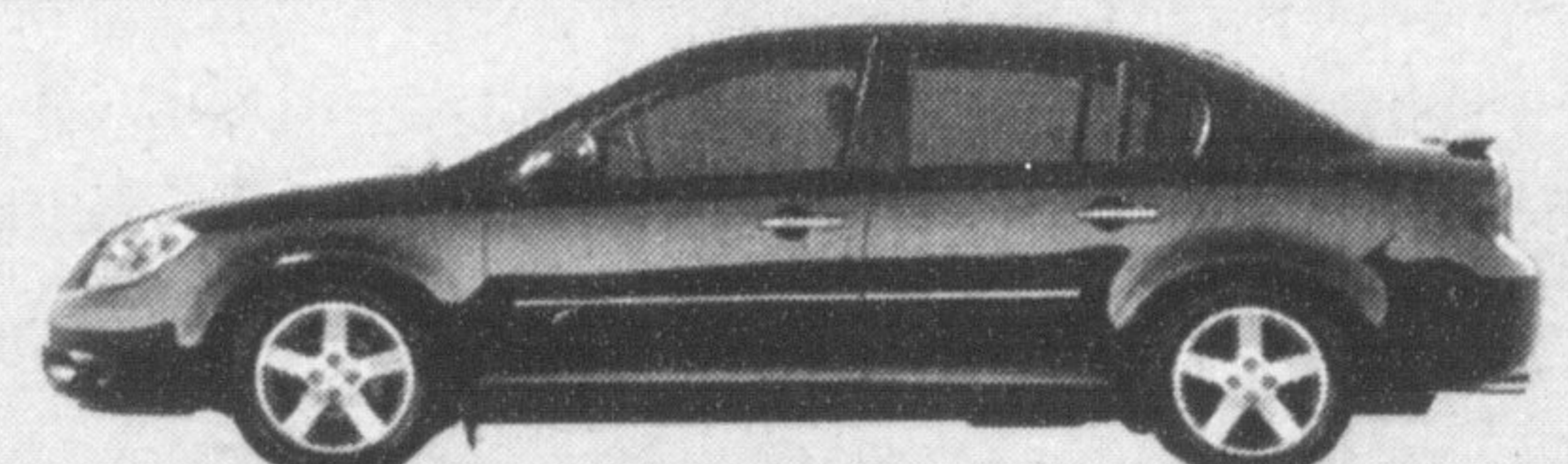
\$12,230**

Plus Taxes.



2005 Cobalt

2.2L 145 HP ECOTEC engine, 4-spd auto transmission, air cond, CD stereo, 15" wheels, 60/40 split folding rear seat, speed-sensitive electric power steering with tilt column, variable intermittent wipers, auto headlamp control, driver seat height adjustment, L&R folding manual remote mirrors, 5-yr/100,000 km GM powertrain warranty with \$0 deductible.



SMART LEASE
\$174**

Per mth/48 mths. \$2370 Down Payment.
\$950 Freight, \$0 Security Deposit.

DOWN	MONTHLY	TOTAL DUE @ SIGN
\$0	\$224	\$1,437
\$1,500	\$193	\$3,125
\$3,000	\$161	\$4,814

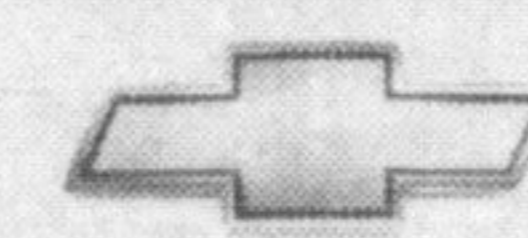
PURCHASE FINANCING

0%

Up to 36 months

HOW COBALT STACKS UP

Standard Features	2005 Chevy Cobalt 4DR Sedan Base	2005 Honda Civic 4DR Sedan DX	2005 Toyota Corolla 4DR Sedan
Standard HP	145	115	130
CD Player	YES	NO	YES
Standard Wheels	15"	14"	15"
Electric Power Steering	YES	NO	NO
Variable Intermittent Wipers	YES	NO	NO
Automatic Headlamps	YES	NO	NO
Driver Info Centre	YES	NO	NO
Power Trunk Release	YES	NO	NO



2005 Silverado "Special Edition" Crew Cab

Vortec 5300 295 HP V8 engine, 4-speed auto transmission with overdrive and tow/haul mode, 4-wheel ABS, Z71 off road suspension, Autotrac automatic 4WD, dual-zone A/C, 40/20/40 split front seat with custom cloth trim, CD stereo, chromed stainless steel tubular side steps, remote keyless entry, fog lights, power doors/windows/heated mirrors, deep tinted glass.



SMART LEASE
\$309**

Per mth/30 mths. \$3,425 Down Payment.
\$1,100 Freight, \$0 Security Deposit.

DOWN	MONTHLY	TOTAL DUE @ SIGN
\$0	\$426	\$1,755
\$1,500	\$375	\$3,421
\$3,000	\$324	\$5,087

PURCHASE FINANCING

0%

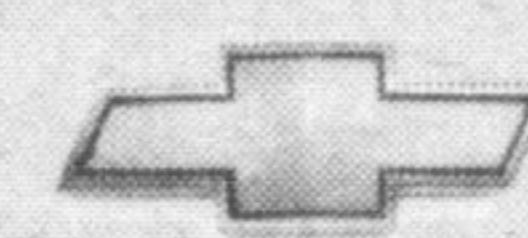
Up to 48 months

OR

PURCHASE CASH PRICE

\$37,798**

Excludes Freight & Taxes.



2005 Uplander

3.5L 200 HP SFI V6 engine, 4-spd auto transmission, 4-wheel disc brakes with ABS, OnStar™ with 1 yr safe & sound plan, CD/MP3 player, remote keyless entry, air cond, power windows/locks/mirrors, front captain's chairs, 50/50 fold flat rear seats, theft deterrent system, light tinted glass, driver & front passenger air bags, 5-yr/100,000 km GM powertrain warranty with \$0 deductible.



SMART LEASE
\$178**

Per mth/48 mths. \$5,360 Down Payment.
\$1,120 Freight, \$0 Security Deposit.

DOWN	MONTHLY	TOTAL DUE @ SIGN
\$0	\$291	\$1,623
\$1,500	\$260	\$3,312
\$3,000	\$228	\$5,000

PURCHASE FINANCING

0%

Up to 60 months

OR

PURCHASE CASH PRICE

\$19,998**

Excludes Freight & Taxes.

Closed Friday July 1st - Service Dept. closed Friday & Saturday, July 1st & 2nd

PAUL AMENDOLA Used Car Manager	RON TREVORS Sales	DANNY DEMELO Sales	CHRIS HAFICHUK Sales	MIR HUSSAIN Sales	DAVE RICHARDSON New Car Manager	BRENT RICHARDSON General Manager	JEAN MCMAHON Business Manager	401 Steeles Ave. Main St. Derry Rd Hwy 5 Dundas Hwy 25 Ontario St. RICHARDSON DEVELOPMENT GEW
-----------------------------------	----------------------	-----------------------	-------------------------	----------------------	------------------------------------	-------------------------------------	----------------------------------	---

*Purchase or lease of a new 2005 vehicle, excludes Cavalier & Blazer. Offer ends August 2nd, 2005.
**Taxes and administration fees extra. See dealer for details.