

Dateline

Saturday Jan. 7

Euchre is held at 7:30 p.m. at the Hornby Co-operative Nursery School. Everyone's welcome to attend.

Monday Jan. 9

The Women's Centre, suite 210 in Hopedale Mall at Rebecca Street and Third Line in Oakville, holds its free **Family Law Legal Clinic** from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. during which a lawyer gives half-hour private sessions with guidance on family issues surrounding separation/divorce, child/spousal support and custody. For more information, call (905) 847-5520.

Milton District Hospital holds a one-on-one **breastfeeding clinic** with a certified lactation consultant from 1:30 to 3 p.m. For more information or to make an appointment, call Jean Gallen at (905) 878-2383, ext. 7030.

The Halton Hills agricultural community, with support from the Halton Federation of Agriculture, holds an **all candidates debate and question forum** at Hume's Auction Farm from 7:30 to 10 p.m. with Conservative candidate Michael Chong, Liberal candidate Rod Finnie, Brent Bouteiller of the Green Party and the NDP's Noel Duignan. Doors open at 7 p.m. Debate questions are selected from e-mail and written submissions from area residents. Questions dealing with agriculture, food and rural issues can be e-mailed to kurtis@farmstart.ca or dropped off at Andrews' Scenic Acres, 9365 No. 10 Sideroad in Halton Hills. Hume's is located at 9313 Fourth Line between No. 5 and 10 sideroads in Halton Hills.

Wellspring Halton-Peel, a support network for cancer patients and their families, holds its **Lymphoma Support Group** from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at 2545 Sixth Line in Oakville. For more information, call (905) 257-1988.

The Milton Seniors' Activity Centre, 500 Childs Dr., holds its **CyberCafé** from 1 to 4 p.m. with volunteers available for assistance. It also holds **bid euchre** at 1:30 p.m. The cost for each activity is \$2 for members and \$4 for non-members. For more information, call (905) 875-1681.

The Women's Centre, suite 210 in Hopedale Mall at Rebecca Street and Third Line in Oakville, holds its **Peer Counselling** by phone or in person for women facing abuse, grief/loss and relationship issues from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. No appointment is necessary. To register or for more information, call (905) 847-5520.

Tuesday Jan. 10

The Khi Community Church of the Salvation Army holds its free **Busy Hands, Creative Minds** program for pre-schoolers and their caregivers from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at 100 Nipissing Rd., unit 3. It also holds its free **scrapbooking group** from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the same location. Bring your photos and album. Basic supplies • see more **DATELINE** on page A16

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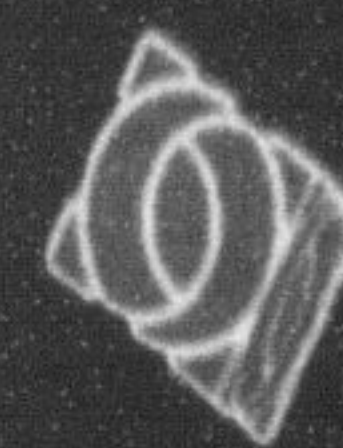
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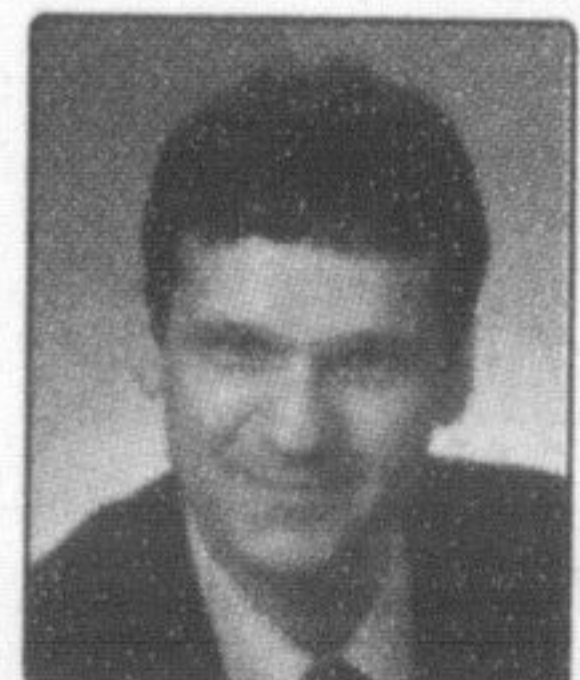
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Quick tips for open house success

You never get a second chance to make a first impression – so when it comes to selling your home, make sure it shows its best. Potential buyers are hoping to be inspired, not distracted, by sweaty sports gear, dustballs tumbling across your floor, clogs of hair in the bathroom sink or the smell of bathroom or cooking odours.

Follow a few easy tips to help create the best possible impression of your home:

A breath of fresh air

- Ensure your home is odour-free – you might not recognize them, but odours from pets, mildew or smoke can be a turnoff

- An overwhelming smell of incense or perfume can be just as offensive as that of foul odours

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- Take out the garbage – it can quickly become an unpleasant smell

- Do your laundry – nobody likes sweaty, smelly clothes

A clean slate

- Sweep the floors – make sure there's no dust-bunnies on the loose

- Clean the windows – the added natural light will make your house seem brighter and more inviting

- Organize your clutter – a well organized room will seem more spacious

Bath time

- Stock bathrooms with fresh towels

- Make sure to clean the bathroom – a dirty bathtub or sink can make buyers feel unwelcome

First impressions create lasting memories. By following these simple tips, you can ensure that your home makes a lasting positive impression on buyers, and ultimately, your pocketbook.

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