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## RENOVATION PROJECT

- 407 Pine Street renovation to allow for relocation of Administration and Support Services staff
- Design approved for new Children's Department (to be relocated in the lower level of the library)
- New Teen Area to be established adjacent to newly designed browsing / reading area
- Design approved for expanded collection space for fiction and non-fiction
- Phase 1 of the project under direction of Genivar, and by PM Contracting early 2006 when Phase II begins



### Some of Milton Public Library's Business Resources

**Starting a business.** Start your own business in Canada. Reiva Levonsky

**Starting a small business in Ontario.** Ministry of Industry, Trade and Technology

**Canadian Business franchise handbook.** CGB Publishing  
Beat the taxman! : easy ways to save tax in your small business

**Your Guides to business & start-up financing series**

Your guide to arranging bank & debt financing for your own business in Canada

Your guide to Canadian export financing

Your guide to government financial assistance for business in Ontario

**Self-Council Press Business Series**

Buying and selling a small business

Marketing your product

The advertising handbook for small business: make a big impact with a small budget.

Standard legal forms and agreements for Canadian Business

**For Dummies Series**

Canadian small business kit for dummies

QuickBooks 2004 for dummies

Accounting for dummies

Reference

Scott's Directories: Greater Toronto business directory

Scott's Ontario manufacturers

Financial Post markets: Canadian demographics

Statistics Canada Market Research Handbook

### Great new on-line resources!

The Milton Public Library is pleased to introduce two new services for readers: one for younger readers, and the other for teens. Tumblebook Library is an online collection of animated and talking picture books, reading comprehension quizzes, educational games, and teacher resources for younger readers. Log on to the 'Especially For... Kid's' section of the Library website to hear Robert Munsch read his own works or select titles from the Language Learning tab for books that children can read along with.

TumbleTalkingBooks is an online collection of full length audio books for teens (or anyone who wants to listen to titles such as 1984 or

The Flight of the Phoenix), which can be listened to from any computer with an Internet connection. Just click on the icon on the Teen Page, select a book from one of the categories and sit back to enjoy the recording. You don't need any special software or listening devices. There's nothing to download and you can listen to as many books as many times as you like. There are no waiting lists, check out lines, or return dates. The books are always available to you - 24/7. You can set a bookmark and come back to the recording at any time by clicking on Go to Bookmark. It will take you right back to where you left off and you can set up to four bookmarks for each book.

### Chief Librarian's Remarks: February 2006

February has been a busy month at the Library as we prepared for the conclusion of our renovation project. I know it has been noisier and certainly dustier than you are all accustomed to and I'm sorry for the inconvenience. Don't forget that the Library will be closed for all public uses (you can still use all of our online resources at [www.mpl.on.ca](http://www.mpl.on.ca)) from March 6 - 13. We will re-open on Tuesday, March 14, and I think you'll be as excited by the changes as we have been in seeing the transformation take place.

When we re-open, the Children's library will be on the lower level in an entirely new location. The old area for Children will have been transformed into a Browsing Area housing magazines, paperbacks, DVDs, CDs and videos (although the children's av material will be on the lower level with the rest of the children's material), a Newspaper Reading Nook (with small coffee bar), and a special area just for Teens. We are also shifting the direction of the shelves on the mezzanine in order to provide some room for the collection to grow, so that area will also look quite different.

We will have a party (date to be determined) to celebrate the newly renovated space, but don't wait for the party to come in and see your new-public library space!

Following last month's column, I had an interesting email conversation with a Milton resident who was curious about the breakdown of expenditures vis-a-vis collections and staff.

Many of you may be surprised to learn we employ more than 40 full and part time staff across four departments (Circulation, Information Services [which includes adult and children's services, reference desk responsibilities, and collection development], Technical Services and Systems, and Administration).

Library work is labour intensive: everything from developing and executing age appropriate children's programs, carefully selecting (and de-selecting) each item that enters the collection, checking out and in (and returning to the shelves) more than 400,000 items borrowed each year, and responding to the 35,000 reference questions put to staff in person and online requires we hire the right number of staff to perform all those tasks.

Before I conclude, I should mention that in addition to renovation planning, this month staff have also been working hard to prepare March Madness children's programs for March Break. Check the information elsewhere on this page for more details.

This month, the renovation has certainly been the story. The renovation and expansion could not have been possible without the support of Town Council and Staff - support which the Board and Staff very much appreciates.

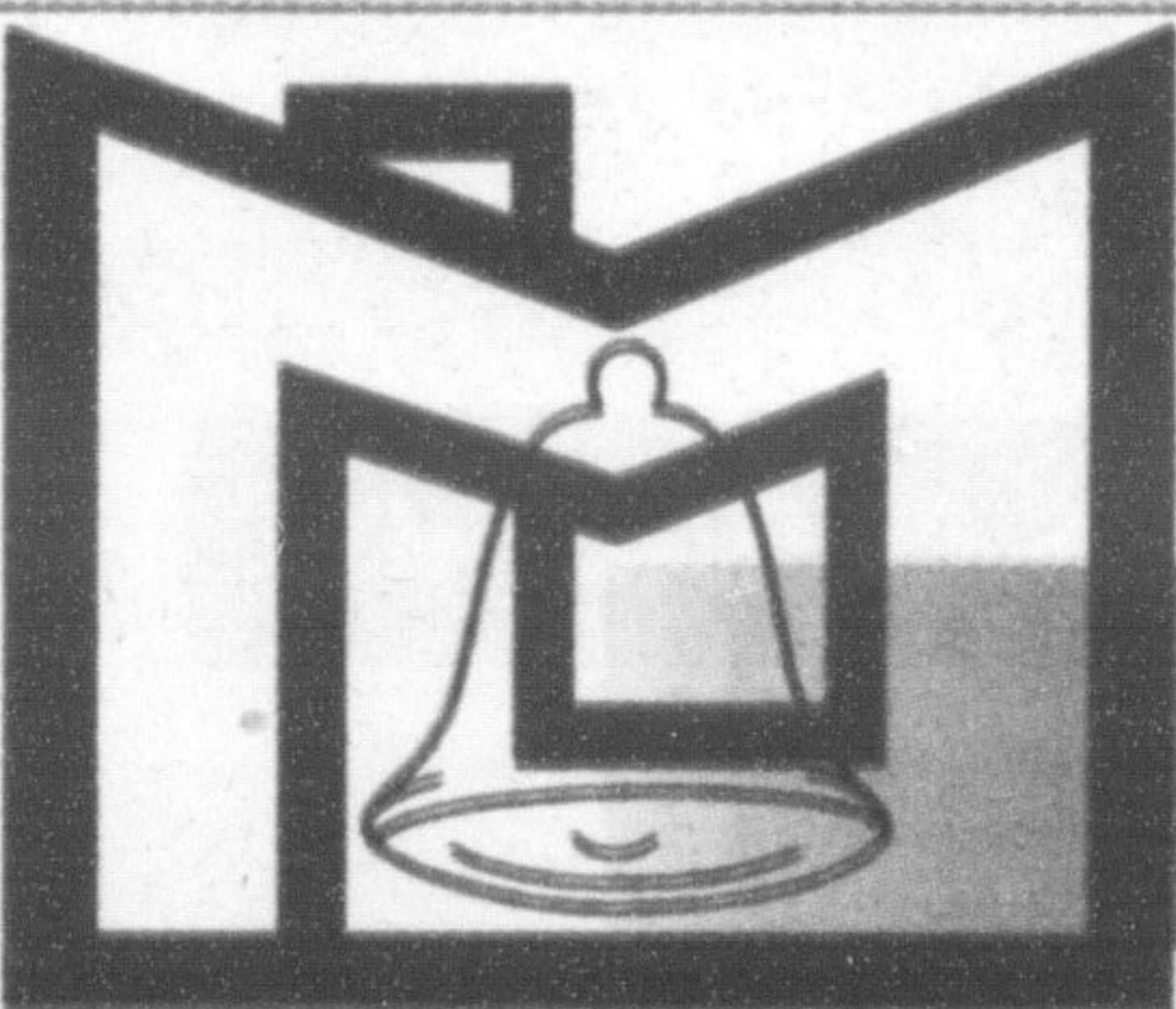
Leslie Fitch  
Chief Librarian

### Milton Public Library Award for Sesquicentennial Quilt

Milton Public Library was honoured to receive the 2006 Heritage Award (Visual Arts) at the Milton Heritage Award Ceremony on February 26, 2006 for our 'Sesqui' Quilt. The event is sponsored by Heritage Milton and the Milton Historical Society. As you know, we celebrated our 150th Anniversary in 2005, and a Sesquicentennial Quilt was one of the legacy projects for the year. It hangs in the library (and is featured on our 2005 Annual

Report - which you can see online on our website, or in hard copy at the library) on the mezzanine. The quilt was designed by Donna Funnell, while Dagmar Scherer (of the Quilter's Basket) took the lead role in making the quilt, along with Susan Cottrell. We are delighted by the recognition of our legacy project (and our year of celebration) by Heritage Milton and the Milton Historical Society.

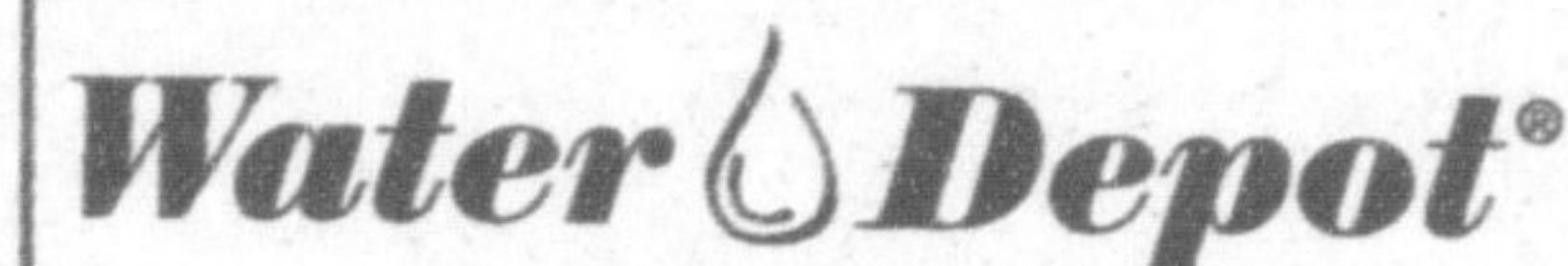
**March Madness**  
at  
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45 Bruce Street 905-875-2665  
M is for Manga - March 14  
M is for Monkeys - March 15  
M is for Magic - March 16  
All programs 2 - 3:30 - \$2 each  
ages 6 & older  
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**Final Phase of Construction**  
[www.mpl.on.ca](http://www.mpl.on.ca)  
Our Web site will be available for use during the Library closure.

**Milton Public Library will be closed March 7 - 13th**

**Reopening Tuesday March 14th**

**Check us out!**

**Burlington Library**  
[www.bpl.on.ca](http://www.bpl.on.ca)  
905.639.3611

**Oakville Library**  
[www.opl.on.ca](http://www.opl.on.ca)  
905-815-2042

**Halton Hills Library**  
[www.library.hhpl.on.ca](http://www.library.hhpl.on.ca)  
905-873-2681

We are sorry for the inconvenience.

We're sure you will enjoy our new and improved library.

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