

Pets to 'go country' at humane society event

The many animals at the Oakville and District Humane Society (ODHS) are inviting the public to an upcoming open house event aptly named Critters Gone Country.

October 15 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., the humane society, located at 445 Cornwall Rd. in Oakville, will open its doors to the public and host numerous activities for two and four-legged attendees.

The morning show team of Country 95.3 will provide entertainment, and there'll be food and a special appearance by a psychic medium.

Kids can enjoy face and pumpkin painting.

For pets, the day's activities will

include a microchip clinic, pet massages, a fun pet show and animal caricatures. Plus, a trainer and groomer will be on hand.

The ODHS will also have information available on its many programs including Town-funded initiatives, the Smart Pet Owners Tag — a program that encourages pets to be licenced — and There's No Place Like Home, which promotes the health benefits of keeping cats indoors.

The ODHS is a private, non-profit charitable organization dedicated to the welfare of animals. It was established in 1936 and serves Oakville and Milton.

Dateline

Dateline is a free listing of coming events only. The column is available to local community groups to assist in promoting their future events. Only charitable or non-profit community groups may use this service. We can only guarantee one issue of publicity closest to the date of the occurrence although more insertions are possible if demand is low.

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Saturday Oct. 7

Cross of Life Lutheran Church holds a free one-day Bible camp for kids aged three to 10 called Get Linked to the Locomotive from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Milton Leisure Centre. Kids can experience Bible stories, games, crafts, activities and a snack. For more information or

to register, call Kevin Walker at (905) 817-0026 or visit www.crossoflife.net.

Euchre takes place at 7:30 p.m. at the Hornby Co-operative Nursery School. Everyone's welcome.

The Milton branch of the Royal Canadian Legion holds a meat roll in the clubroom, 21 Charles St., at 4 p.m.

Khi Community Church holds its Khi Extreme Sports (not for young children) from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at 8300 Trafalgar Rd. For more information, call (905) 875-1022.

Saturday Oct. 7 - 9

The Halton County Radial Railway, 13629 Guelph Line, holds its Autumn Colour Weekend featuring rides on restored electric streetcars through a Niagara Escarpment hardwood forest in full colour. For more information, call (519) 856-9802 or visit www.hcry.org.

Monday Oct. 9

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 Lighthouse Program for Grieving Children in Oakville holds its peer support group from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for children and teens aged three to 18 who've lost a parent or sibling. For more information or to register, call (905) 337-2333 or e-mail lighthouseprogram@bellnet.ca.

Khi Community Church holds its Alpha course, for people wanting to learn about God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at 100 Nipissing Rd., unit 3. For more information, call (905) 875-1022.

Tuesday Oct. 10

The Blank Pages book club meets and new members are welcome. For more information, call Leanne Rancourt at • see more **DATeline** on page B14

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The Regional Municipality of Halton

Important change to billing frequency of water/wastewater charges for residential customers (from monthly to bi-monthly)

Beginning this fall, all residential water/wastewater charges in Halton will be billed on a bi-monthly basis.

Local hydro companies bill water/wastewater charges on behalf of Halton Region. Until now, some residential water customers in Halton were billed every month, while the majority were billed every two months. Starting with your November or December 2006 bill (depending on your meter reading date), you will see water/wastewater charges billed every two months. Hydro charges for Milton customers will continue to be billed on a monthly basis.

Halton Region initiated this change to standardize water/wastewater billing for all Halton residential customers in order to provide consistent and cost effective service levels across the Region. For more information about Halton Region's water/wastewater billing rates and policies, contact the Region at 905-825-6000, or visit www.halton.ca. If you have questions about your bill, contact Milton Hydro at 905-876-4611.

National Customer Service Week is October 2-6

Joyce Savoline
Chairman

At Halton we believe every week is customer service week and we are committed to making sure our customers have the best experience possible when they contact us. One way we do that is by simplifying access to the information that you need through our Government Access Centre. Our knowledgeable customer service representatives have been trained to help you find information, services and programs offered by the Federal, Provincial and Regional levels of government through a single point of contact. The Government Access Centre is located at 1151 Bronte Road in Oakville. It can be reached by telephone, on-line, or in person from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on all regular business days.

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Halton Regional Meeting Schedule

Monday, October 9 - Offices closed due to Thanksgiving

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