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OPEN FOR BUSINESS: Mayor Gord Krantz cuts the ribbon at the recent grand opening of Shear Pleasure Salon and Spa in Milton Mall.

Sharing the Spirit awards to be given to top students

Catholic students who go above and beyond the call of duty will be recognized at an awards ceremony Monday.

The 19th annual Sharing the Spirit Student Award of Excellence Ceremony will take place at Christ the King Catholic Secondary School in Georgetown and will kick off Catholic Education Week 2007.

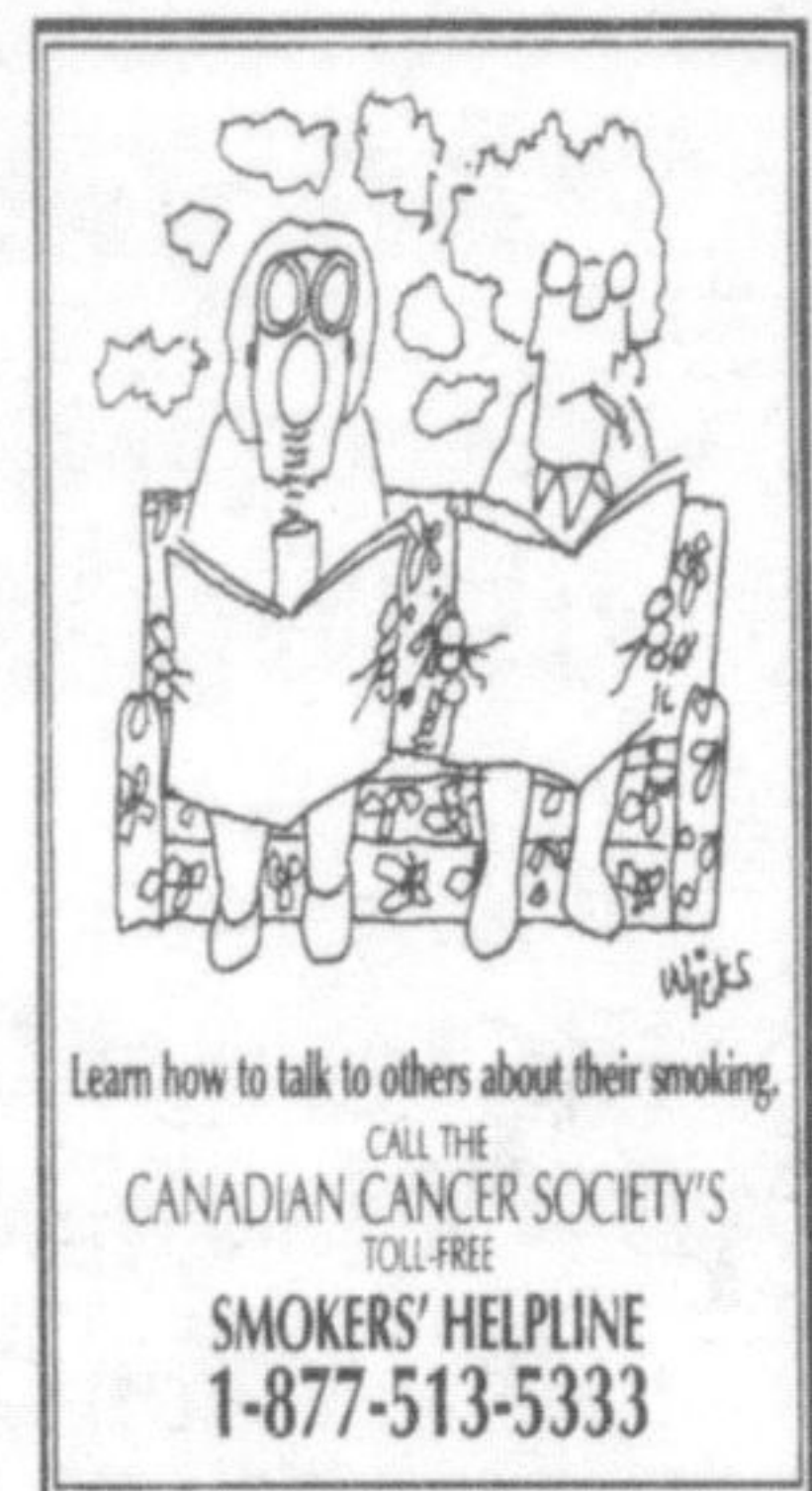
One student from each elementary and secondary Catholic school in Halton has been selected to receive the award.

In Milton, the recipients are: Christine Peral from Guardian Angels, Annelise Johnston from Holy Rosary, Alex Cerelli from Our Lady of Victory, Colm Whitford from St. Peter and Marika Dabek from Bishop Reding.

Students are nominated by their principals and demonstrate outstanding qualities in areas including Catholic leadership, family commitment,

involvement in school affairs, involvement in community activities and dedication to a difficult situation or task.

"The excellence and commitment demonstrated by these recipients reflects the essence of all of our partners in Catholic education," said Lou Piovesan, director of education. "We are all very proud of these students who are our Catholic leaders of the future."



Charity golf tournament approaching

Tee-off for a good cause with an upcoming golf tournament designed to give participants a day to remember.

The 15th annual golf tournament in support of Halton Women's Place will take place June 8 at Crosswinds Golf and Country Club.

Participants will receive golf, a cart rental, a barbecue lunch, driving range use, a plated dinner, prizes and more.

Participation's Hal Johnson and Joanne McLeod are the tournament's honorary chairs, and Dan Dunleavy from The Fan 590 will return this year as master of ceremonies.

Tickets cost \$225 per golfer, which includes a \$50 tax receipt. A foursome costs \$850.

Those who register by April 30 will be entered into an early bird draw.

Various sponsorship opportunities are available. A foursome with hole sponsorship costs \$1,000, while a hole sponsorship alone is \$200 and a specialty hole sponsorship costs \$300.

Donations are also welcome, with items being sought for raffles, prizes and grab bags.

To register or inquire about sponsorships, call Christina at (905) 332-1200, ext. 244 or e-mail cmackay@haltonwomensplace.com.

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