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GREEN THUMBS: Lorynn McLean, 11, of the 2nd Milton Guides heads back to the chalet with brother Gavin, 8, after a morning of tree planting at Dufferin Aggregates' Milton Quarry. As part of recent Earth Week activities, more than 6,000 seedlings were planted by Scouts and Guides.

Kids Day festivities at Crawford Lake

Mother's have a day. Father's have a day. Heck, even groundhogs enjoy special recognition once a year.

Now it's kids' turn — and where better to celebrate that than at Crawford Lake.

In conjunction with International Kids Day — started in 2001 — the local conservation area will be paying tribute to area youngsters on Sunday, June 3 with a host of activities.

Highlighting the day will be traditional Native games and fire-making demonstrations. Event-goers are also invited to watch videos about First Nations life and culture and listen to legends — the latter colourfully offered by Chief Top Leaf of the Mohawk Nation.

And no trip to Crawford Lake would be complete without a visit to the reconstructed Iroquoian village or exploration of the Native Species Teaching Garden.

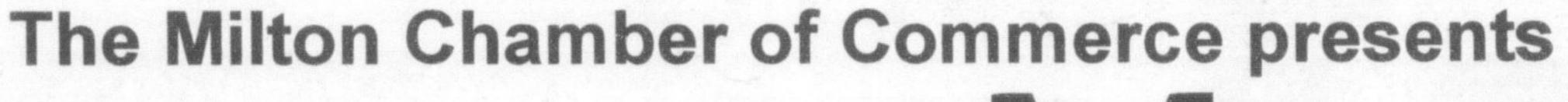
Children's creative side will also be allowed to flourish with a fun-filled craft program, with young participants able to take home their artistic mementos.

Throughout the day, kids can walk through the park's beautiful forests and see a myriad of wonderful sights of nature, while a sojourn to the lake will provide parents with a picturesque view as they watch children's facepainting.

Refreshments will help round out the festivities.

Children four and under get in free for Kids Day, while admission to the park costs \$6 per person.

Crawford Lake is located at the corner of Steeles Avenue and Guelph Line, 15 km north of the QEW and five km south of Hwy. 401.



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