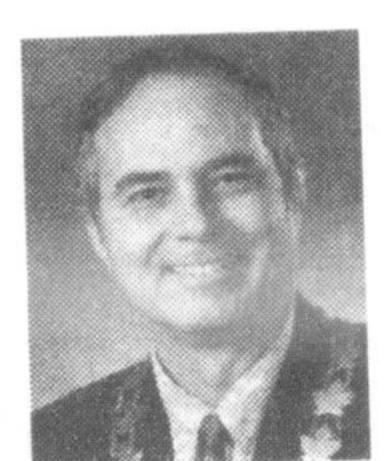
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Regional Chair's Environmental Awards



by Regional Chair Gary Carr

As we move forward into 2009, the environment remains a very important topic for Halton Region, the business community and residents. It is important that we continue to work together to help protect and preserve the environment for generations to come.

As part of Halton's commitment towards environmental excellence, we are now accepting applications for the Regional Chair's Environmental Awards program sponsored by Bell and TD Friends of the Environment Foundation. The annual awards program, now in its sixth year, was designed to foster an appreciation for the environment in Halton's youth and to raise awareness of local youth environmental initiatives.

There are two awards in the program:

- The Halton Youth Awards for Environmental Excellence which is open to all Halton elementary and secondary students including youth working on behalf of a non-profit or grass roots organization that works with youth. Successful applicants will receive \$500 for the student's school.
- The Halton Youth Awards for Environmental Scholarship are open to secondary students who are, or will be, pursuing post secondary studies with an emphasis on the environment. Each scholarship award is for \$1000.

Sponsorship of the awards program is vital to its success. Once again I encourage the Halton business community and residents to show their support by sponsoring an award or scholarship or by purchasing a table at the upcoming awards breakfast. Sponsorship can be completed easily online by visiting www.halton.ca before March 6, 2009.

The awards program is brought to you by the hard work and dedication of a group comprised of staff from several corporate and community organizations. The group provides direction to the Region for the award program and breakfast event and also reviews all youth applications to determine successful award and scholarship recipients.

Supporting our youth towards achieving environmental excellence in their schools and community and in their future academic studies is what the Regional Chair's Environmental Awards are all about. I look forward to seeing this year's submissions and I thank you once again for your continued support.

Complete details on the awards can be found by visiting www.halton.ca.



Awards Event

The Regional Chair's Environmental Awards Breakfast is an annual event hosted by the Chair's Round Table on the Environment. The event provides a forum where the recipients of the Environmental Awards are honoured and further inspired in their environmental pursuits.

Ingram, author, co-host and producer of the Discovery Channel television show Daily Planet and former host of CBC Radio's Quirks & Quarks, as the keynote speaker. Jay is an engaging speaker who can address complex, scientific issues in non-technical terms, making them interesting, relevant and fun for all audiences.

Where: Burlington Convention Centre 1120 Burloak Dr. Burlington, ON

Date: Thursday, April 23, 2009

Time: Registration begins at 7:00 a.m.

To purchase a ticket or table visit www.halton.ca.





Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How do I apply for the awards?

A: Visit www.halton.

ca to review the award
criteria and print a copy
of the application form.

Mail or drop off all project
material and your completed
application form to Halton
Region at 1151 Bronte Rd.
Oakville, L6M 3L1, Attn:
Chair's Office. Deadline
March 13, 2009.

Q: When will the awards be given out?

A: Award winners will be invited to the Regional Chair's Environmental Awards Breakfast, being held at the Burlington Convention Centre at 7:00 a.m. on April 23, 2009.

Q: Is there an opportunity for the business community to get involved?

A: Yes. The awards program is made possible primarily through the generosity of Halton's business community.

Organizations can show their support by sponsoring an award or scholarship or by purchasing a table at the awards breakfast. Visit www.halton.ca for complete details.

March Meetings at
Halton Region Headquarters
March 4, 9:30 a.m.
Regional Council
March 24, 9:30 a.m.
Health & Social Services Committee
March 25, 9:30 a.m.
Planning & Public Works Committee
March 25, 1:30 p.m.
Administration & Finance Committee

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