

# Enjoy autumn splendour at conservation areas

Autumn is upon us, and nowhere can the season's splendour be enjoyed more than right here in Halton.

To that end, Conservation Halton (CH) will hold its Fall Into Nature extravaganza this weekend and next — with several local conservation areas part of the itinerary.

Chair-lift rides at Kelso offer a spectacular view of the escarpment, while some breathtaking scenery can also be enjoyed with self-guided and interpreter-led tours through trails and landscapes at Kelso, Mountsberg, Crawford Lake, Rattlesnake Point, and Hilton Falls.

CH will hold its inaugural Forest Festival at Rattlesnake Point on Saturday, Oct. 15, when visitors can help celebrate the International Year of Forests by learning about the importance of trees and vegetation in Halton.

This can be done through interactive dis-

plays on the use of forest products, logging demonstrations and other activities.

Tractor-drawn wagon riders through the parks, educational and interactive programs and live music and dance performances will round out the Fall Into Nature festivities.

As an added bonus on October 15 and 16, those interested in visiting more than one park in a day can take a day-long bus tour — departing from Kelso and running from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. — for \$30 a person. The tour includes Kelso, Crawford Lake and Mountsberg, where visitors can learn about the areas' natural history while taking in some colourful landscapes.

For more information or to reserve a seat on the bus tour, visit [www.fallintonature.ca](http://www.fallintonature.ca) or call (905) 854-2276.

## Knitters to help out humane society

Love to knit? Looking for a way to help out animals in need? Now you can do both, with four evenings set aside as a fundraiser for the Oakville and Milton Humane Society (OMHS).

Partnering with Ruffins Pet Centre at Milton Mall, the OMHS will hold knitting sessions at Ruffins from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight, Thursday,

Oct. 20, Thursday, Nov. 3 and Thursday, Nov. 17. Volunteers will meet to create catnip mice toys that will then be sold at Ruffins during November and December, as well as at Milton Mall's Pet Photos with Santa on December 4 and 11.

For more information, visit [www.miltonmall.com](http://www.miltonmall.com).

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