

Auxiliary donates \$90G to hospital

Mission accomplished!

The Milton District Hospital (MDH) Auxiliary recently presented a \$90,000 cheque to the Milton District Hospital Foundation and Halton Healthcare Services.

This marks the completion of the volunteer organization's \$500,000 pledge toward the CT Scanner and Diagnostic Imaging Renewal Campaign at the hospital.

"The MDH Auxiliary's long history of giving and caring has made a tremendous difference in the quality of care our hospital can offer to the Milton community," said John Oliver, president and CEO of Halton

Healthcare Services. "The auxiliary played a key role in bringing the CT scanner technology to MDH and completing their pledge so soon is a proof of their determination and drive."

To date, the volunteer group has donated more than \$2 million to the hospital.

Anyone interested in volunteering — particularly in the gift shop or to provide friendly visits to patients in the Complex Continuing Care Unit — should call the volunteer services department at (905) 878-2383, ext. 7710.

Berry tasty time in store

Strawberry Fair turns 30

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Let the summer begin.

For many Milton families, the annual Strawberry Fair heralds the start of the season, serving as an unofficial kick-off to those lazy, hazy days.

This year's event is no different and will run Saturday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Milton Fair Grounds (Robert Street entrance).

Held as a fundraiser by the Milton District Hospital Auxiliary for 30 years now, the fair is being sponsored by Andrews' Scenic Acres and Mattamy Homes and is something residents feel good about attending, said the auxiliary's Sheena Drennan.

"Our community supports our work to raise funds for the hospital because everyone at some time in their life needs it," she said.

Although the fair includes a variety of activities and entertainment, the local strawberries, of course, take the limelight each year.

They can be purchased throughout the day in a number of combinations: sliced, with pound cake, with cake and ice cream or as a strawberry daiquiri.

"It's a good taste of summer," Drennan said.

Prices are kept reasonable, she said, so it can be an affordable outing for families.

She's hoping some of the new families in town who have never been to the festival will decide to check it out.

The day will begin with a strawberry pancake breakfast by the Optimist Club of Milton, which will run from 8 to 10 a.m.

Starting at 9:45 a.m., a parade of dignitaries will make their way from the corner of Main and Martin streets to the fairgrounds, where the opening ceremony will be conducted by Father Mark Curtis.

Entertainment will be provided throughout the day by The Dance Element, Finnegan School of Irish Dance and musicians Lloyd Delpratt, Sean O'Brian, Kim Atkins and Debbie Bayshaw-Komisar.

M&M Meat Shops will host a barbecue from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with hamburgers, ribs and hotdogs. Also on hand to satisfy hearty appetites will be Troy's Diner, Cora's, Lemon Heaven and the Optimist Chip Wagon.

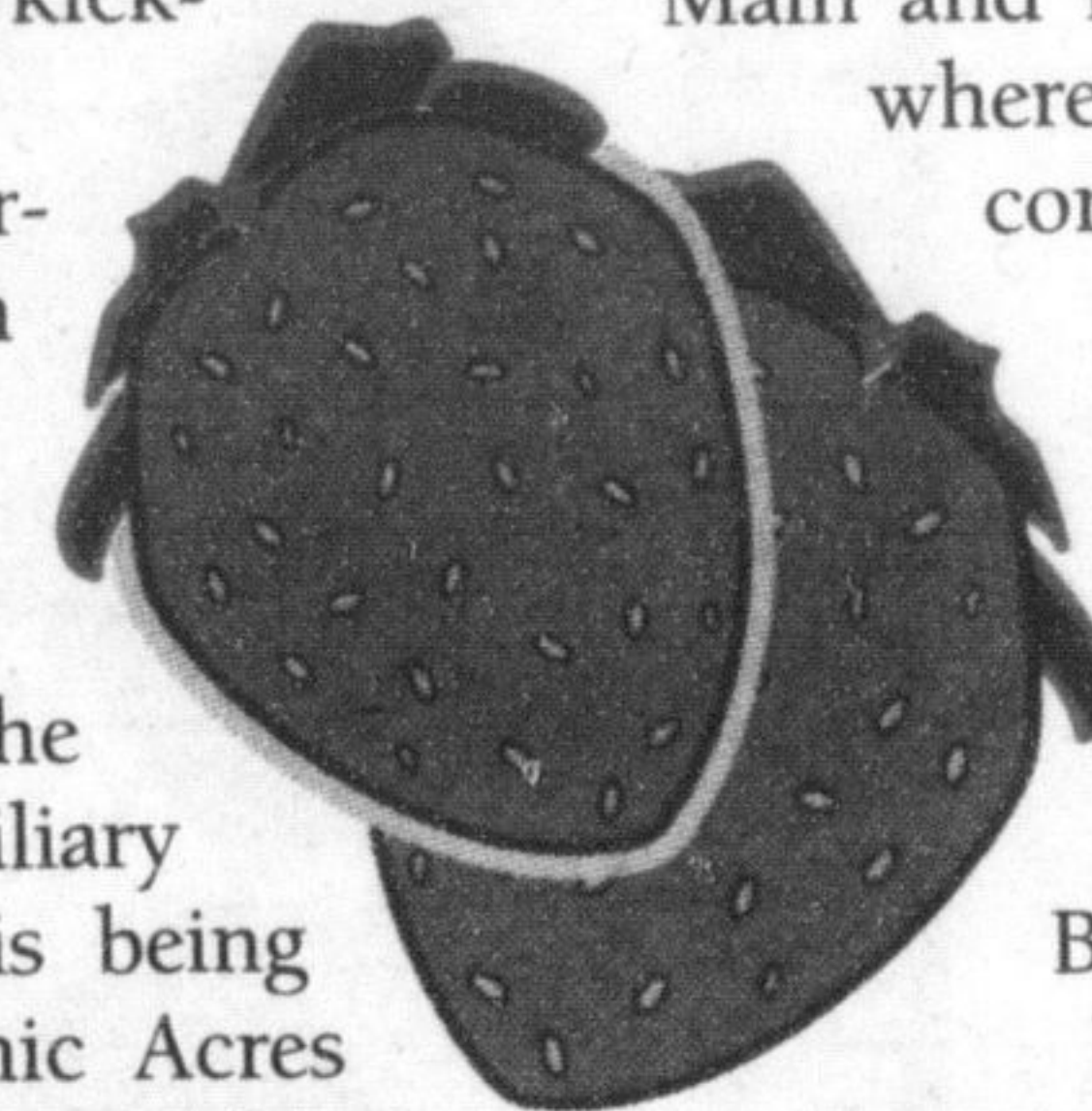
Adding to the fair atmosphere will be a midway, kids' crafts, raffles, a white elephant table, marketplace vendors and an Airbounce castle for kids.

The Milton and District Horticultural Society will also hold its summer flower show.

Proceeds from the fair will go toward needed equipment for Milton District Hospital.

Last year's event raised about \$20,000.

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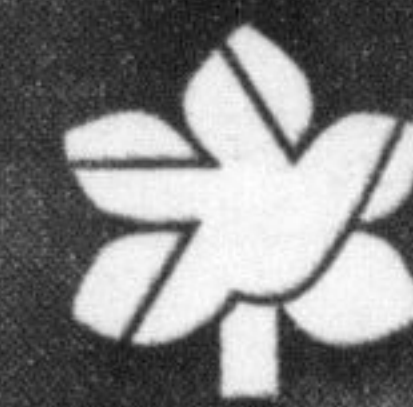
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