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Youth crime discussions

An information night on youth crime will be held at W. I. Dick Middle School next Tuesday (Nov. 22).

The event is being organized by Halton Regional Police in cooperation with Milton schools and gets underway at 7:30 p.m.

The forum will focus on grade 7 and 8 students and their parents, with emphasis on increased awareness of post-school activities, youth crime trends and the resulting consequences.

Speakers from the Crown attorney's office, regional police and Halton Adolescent Support Services will be on hand.

Contact your local school for further details.

Santa Claus coming Sunday

The Milton Santa Claus Parade Sunday will feature 60 floats and 10 marching bands, and of course, old St. Nick.

The traditional holiday parade will leave the Milton Fair Grounds at 2 p.m. and make its way through downtown.

It will travel north on Hugh Street, west on King Street, north on Bronte Street, east on Main Street, south on Ontario Street, east on Childs Drive and into the Milton Mall parking lot.

The event, organized by the Town of Milton and a small group of volunteers, is primarily funded by private donations.

The Rotary Club of Milton will have money buckets on hand at the parade to collect donations.

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Photos by GRAHAM PAINE

It may look like finger painting, but it's actually fingerprinting conducted by Child Find at St. Paul's United Church. The organization set up a booth at Milton Community Nursery School's Christmas bazaar Saturday. Here, four-year-old Amanda Marchand (right) gets her fingerprints taken while six-month-old Aidan Young provides his footprints. Fingerprinting, which helps identify children in case they go missing, will also be held at Milton Mall Saturday.

Child find registration at mall tomorrow

Six-year-old Tania Murrell of Edmonton, Alberta disappeared without a trace on her way home from school in 1983. She has never been found.

In response to the incident, Child Find was established across the country to help return missing children to their parents or guardians.

As part of National Child Day, volunteers from Child Find Ontario will fingerprint and register children at Milton Mall tomorrow (Saturday) from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event is sponsored by the mall branch of National Trust. Special guests will include the Crayola Bunny from Hallmark, the Root Bear from A & W, Smithbooks' Bookworm and a local police officer with McGruff the Police Dog.

"The volunteers from Child Find are anticipating a large turnout," said Barbara Gardiner, National Trust branch manager.

"The last time they were in Milton, they had long line-ups of people waiting to register after

their scheduled quitting time was through. They have, therefore, scheduled extra volunteers to perform the actual registration for Nov. 19."

Children, who must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, will take home a balloon as well as a small gift. Parents will receive an information package on the Child Find program. Identification may be required.

Fingerprinting is free. Face painting will be available for a donation of \$3. Proceeds go to Child Find.

Subsidized housing hearing moves to Toronto

By ANGELA BLACKBURN
The Champion

What's expected to be the last reconvening of the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) hearing on the Sib-Jel lands is Monday (Nov. 21) — in Toronto at the OMB offices.

Continued discussion on noise and lighting and the busy schedule of OMB hearing officers have pushed conclusion of the Sib-Jel OMB hearing into this month, and into Toronto. The hearing began in August.

Sib-Jel Investments Inc. is fighting a Town of Milton decision not to

allow 41 non-profit townhouses, to be managed by Halton's Non-Profit Housing Corporation, next to Milton's fairgrounds.


An interim OMB decision called for studies to look at noise and lighting impacts of the fairgrounds on the proposed townhouses.

Last month, the hearing resumed only to find both the Town of Milton and area residents wanted time to look at the noise and lighting studies commissioned by Sib-Jel Investments Inc. The Town had its own noise and lighting experts do a

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