

Clinic for ill child held Sunday

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"We have to increase the number of people in the registry if we are to increase Deidre's chance of survival."

Clinic patrons Sunday will be asked to sign up for the bone marrow donor registry and allow a Canadian Red Cross Society nurse to take a few tubes of blood from their arms.

After blood testing is complete, the results are entered into a computerized database that is maintained by a centralized search coordinating centre. At any time, the donor could be asked to donate bone marrow to someone locally or overseas.

Donors undergo a one to two-hour procedure in hospital to remove a small portion of bone marrow.

Each blood test from Sunday's clinic costs \$50, which the Red Cross cannot afford following government funding cutbacks. As a result, the Scholtz family must pick up the tab.

The Deidre Scholtz Fund has been set up at the

Royal Bank at Milton Mall to help cover the costs. The public can make a donation to the fund through any Royal Bank branch. Several community groups and Deidre's school have also offered financial support. Donations will also be accepted at Sunday's clinic, which will run from 1 to 6 p.m.

People planning to participate in the clinic are being asked to confirm their attendance by contacting the Red Cross in Milton at 875-1459. Just about anyone is a potential blood marrow donor.

About 500 people have already registered for the clinic, said a pleased Ms VanCleaf-Scholtz.

"We are not the only parents searching for a bone marrow transplant," the desperate mother said. "We are not the first and we won't be the last. But we do not want any other parents to be faced with the fact that there may not be enough people on the registry to better the odds of finding a match for their child."

"And so we need you to call the Red Cross and have a simple blood test."

More help on its way for the Deidre fund

Three more area companies are joining the fight against time to save Deidre Scholtz.

Milton's Rockwell Automotive plant continued its longstanding tradition of supporting local worthy causes with a \$1,000 donation from the firm's employees and management Monday.

Videoflicks will donate 20 cents from every movie rented to the Deidre Scholtz Fund for a week, starting today (Wednesday). And Kelsey's restaurant will channel all the money from coffee sales for the next two Fridays to the same cause. As well, Kelsey's staff are donating their tips to the fund and management is contributing an additional \$200.

Videoflicks is hoping to raise at least \$700 from its goodwill gesture and "we could double or triple that" depending on public response, said owner Ramon Villafranca. Mr. Villafranca is running the fundraiser from both his Milton and Burlington video rental stores.

Mr. Villafranca will put 20 cents a movie toward the fund for the seriously five-year-old from rentals at his Laurier Plaza store in Milton, and the Burlington Videoflicks franchise in the Loeb plaza at Upper Middle Road and Walker's Line.

In related news, Bishop Reding Secondary School teachers and students have banded together to raise approximately \$900 for the same cause, said school religion teacher Shaon Bradley. The faculty and students staged various activities to obtain the money, including a talent show and a bake sale.

Halton Regional Police have donated their Milton Mall village constable office for use as a Deidre Scholtz Fund information centre. The office is near the food court in the mall. Starting tomorrow (Thursday) fundraisers will share the police phone number, 878-2401, probably through March. People can call there to get updates on fund progress.

Donations to the fund can be made at the Royal Bank in Milton Mall.



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Gun-toting robbers hit local store

The first indication that a robbery was occurring at a Milton convenience store was when the cashier was struck in the back of the head by a gun-toting thug.

On the night of Thursday, Jan. 11 shortly after midnight, a clerk had his back to the door of the Mac's convenience store on Bronte Street at Anne Boulevard. He was suddenly struck in the back of his head by a man armed with a handgun.

The victim was forced to lie on the floor while a second man grabbed cash from the store's till. The gunman repeatedly stomped on the shopkeeper's chest until both suspects ran from the store, heading south.

The descriptions provided to the police indicated both were male, white, five-foot-eight to five-foot-10 with thin builds. Both wore black ski masks. The gunman wore a black jacket and carried a black handgun. The second suspect wore a green jacket and brown boots.

If the descriptions sound familiar to you, give Crime Stoppers a call.

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