

Volunteers Our Greatest Natural Resource

**NATIONAL
VOLUNTEER WEEK
APRIL 13-19**

Cancer Society puts big money into a new camp for stricken kids

Since 1984, Camp Trillium has been providing a place where children with cancer can enjoy many of the things most of us take for granted - fun, friendship and a rest from hospitals and treatment.

Near Kingston, it is now one of the largest facilities of its kind in North America and serves more than 1,000 campers living with childhood cancer.

Throughout the years since Camp Trillium first opened, the Canadian Cancer Society in Ontario has become its single largest financial supporter (more than \$1.5 million over nine years). Both organiza-

tions have the same mission - to enhance the quality of life of people living with cancer.

More than 350 new cases of childhood cancer are diagnosed in Ontario every year. This means the existing Camp Trillium on Garratt's Island in Eastern Ontario is stretched beyond its limit.

In order to accommodate the growing number of children living with cancer, a second Camp Trillium is being built at Rainbow Lake near Hamilton. It will become a year-round operation, rather than a summer-only site.

Once again, the society is offering its support to make this second Camp Trillium a reality - with a donation of \$500,000. According to John Perrott, President of the Canadian Cancer Society, "We are pleased to be part of this powerful experience, which provides children with cancer with the support of their peers who face similar challenges. We continue to marvel at the incredible growth of these children. Our donors, volunteers and staff are proud to play a vital role in providing a safe, loving and fun place for some very special kids and their families."

Sharon DiBernardo (left) and Sandra Hamond are Sheridan College students in the social service work program on placement with Friends. Photo by Peter McCusker



Become a friend for a kid in need

'You've Got a Friend in Me.'

These words, sung by the well-loved 'Woody' in Toy Story are echoed in the actions of the volunteers participating in the Friends program.

Volunteers spend one hour each week in a one-to-one mentoring program that fosters self-esteem and personal growth in school children. Volunteers help students talk about their feelings and their relationships with peers, help them to recognize their abilities and to generally make them "feel good" about themselves and their accomplishments.

The following descriptions were written by children in the program about their volunteer "friends":

- "Anne is my best friend. She helped me feel special. She listens and helps me. I will always remember her."
- "Ernie is nice and friendly. He taught me not to fight and to get along with others. Spending time with Ernie made me feel good."

Friends is a collaboration of community agencies that includes: The Halton Children's Aid Society; the Canadian Mental Health Association-Halton; the Halton Board of Education; the Halton Roman Catholic Board of Education, and the Children's Aid Foundation of Halton.

A thank you is in order for the volunteers who have made a difference by becoming a part of this important community initiative. For information on volunteering during the 1997-98 school year, call Diane Salter at Halton CAS, 844-8211.



Mike Shepherd is a driving force in Junior Achievement.

Teaching young students business skills they will use throughout a lifetime

The Junior Achievement Company program wraps up at the end of April. It has been our best year to date teaching young people business skills they will use throughout life.

There were more achievers involved, more advisors and one of our achievers stands second in Canada for sales.

Last year we piloted the Economics of Staying in School and by the end of this year we will have reached all grade 8 classes in Milton and some in Georgetown involved.

All this success cannot be accomplished without the generous support of advisors,

who give one evening a week and a Saturday or two for a mall sale, members of the board of directors, committee members, and financial sponsors.

All of our efforts are proven worthwhile when we hear an achiever say the program increased their leadership skills or that they, as president of a company, met the challenge of raising the morale during difficult production times.

If you are interested in working with young adults to develop their entrepreneurial skills, or sitting on our board of directors, call Pam at 878-5029, or Mike Shepherd at 878-8105.

The Milton Jaycees

We are an organization committed to the development of individual skills through national & local programs that in turn benefit the community.

For membership information call
876-0692



Monarch Basketball

Wishes to thank the many sponsors, coaches, volunteers and parents who have helped make this program so successful

SUMMER DAY CAMP

July 14-18
Boys & Girls 8-16

PLEASE GET YOUR REGISTRATION IN ASAP
Pat and Martha Gleeson 854-2714



Big Sisters of North Halton

Thanks to the volunteers who have given their time to enhance the lives of young girls in our community.

Call Today:

**BIG SISTERS ASSOCIATION OF NORTH HALTON
905-854-9953**



THE ARTHRITIS SOCIETY HALTON/PEEL REGION

We wish to thank all of the dedicated Volunteers and Knights of Columbus members in the Milton area who helped to make the 1996/97 fiscal year a success!! The money raised from all your fundraising efforts will go towards assisting the 4 million Canadians currently afflicted with Canada's #1 chronic disease in the form of research, education and public awareness.

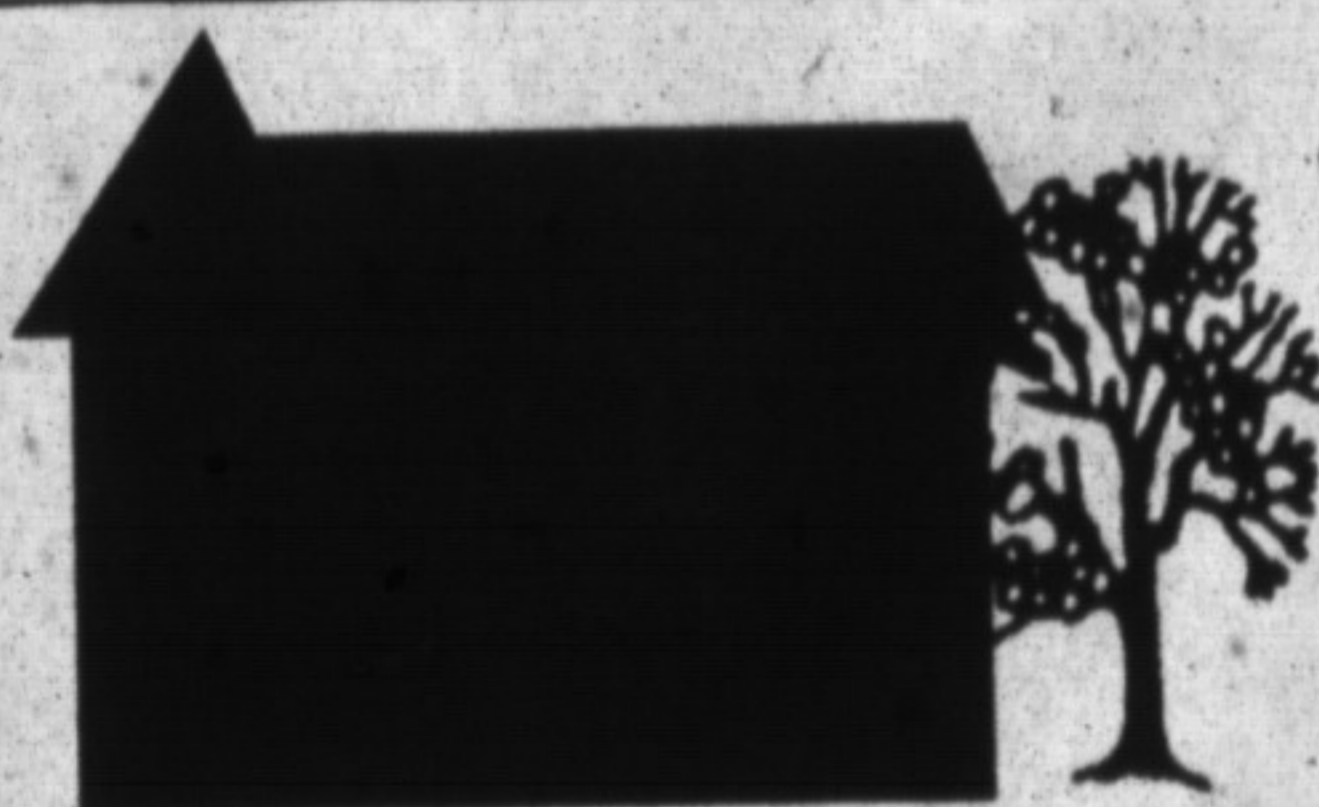


Friend of Youth

We would like to thank our volunteers for many hours of dedicated service.

**THE OPTIMIST CLUB OF MILTON
311 Commercial St.**

HALTON ADOLESCENT SUPPORT SERVICES



with appreciation to our Volunteers, who make Halton a caring community

BRAVO!

Many thanks for the generosity of our volunteers, board members, donors and supporters, who are dedicated to creating a "Safer Tomorrow".

Halton Women's Place



TED CHUDLEIGH M.P.P.

Thank you to all the volunteers in Halton North. Your time & caring are appreciated and I am pleased to recognize your dedication to our community.

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