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## Rabenda acclaimed

By Rachael Williams CANADIAN CHAMPION STAFF

Diane Rabenda has been acclaimed as Milton's trustee for the Halton Catholic District School Board.

On Tuesday, the Town announced Rabenda would return as trustee of the board after going unchallenged for the position. Rabenda has de-



Diane Rabenda

cades of experience in education, serving as a teacher, principal and superintendant of the board. She also serves as chair of the board.

"I'm delighted to be acclaimed. It is an honour to be able to represent the Catholic board of Milton," she said.

According to Rabenda, the biggest challenge facing Milton is the high population growth. In order to keep up, two new elementary schools and a high school have been built, and many more will be needed in the future.

"We have to try and make sure that

the (Education) Ministry and Province knows that we are a growing community with many needs. One of those needs is the education of our children," she said.

Rabenda said she's excited about the opportunity to sit down at the board table with fresh ideas and new initiatives for Milton. She promises to take a proactive approach to improving the town's educational programs, including a more focused effort to fostering a sense of spirituality and community.

"Milton is a diverse, vibrant and growing community and as trustee I will continue to advocate for ratepayers," she said.

Although she prioritizes academic and spiritual success, Rabenda said the best part of her job is the feeling she gets when she works oneon-one with families to help them resolve tough issues.

"Seeing children and families grow, especially those who have difficulty attaining new heights, is definitely one of the highlights of the job."

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**Downtown Milton Business Improvement Association** Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, October 8th, 2014 Date: Time:

• 6:00pm - Registrations and refreshments

• 6:30pm - AGM

Location: Hugh Foster Hall, Town of Milton, 150 Mary Street

Join us as we review 2014 and look ahead to 2015 in Downtown Milton.

> Board of Directors will be elected by BIA members. Nominations are now open.

If you are eligible to vote but unable to attend, please send written proxy. Contact the BIA for more details.

Please RSVP to info@downtownmilton.com by Friday, October 3rd.





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