

A very colourful opportunity

Elementary schools fishing for an opportunity to support their environment are in luck. Conservation Halton has spaces available this spring for Stream of Dreams, an at-school program that brings awareness to communities about the watershed through education and a visual display of painted wooden fish along school fences.

The goal is to encourage environmental stewardship, improve water quality and create community murals. Conservation Halton was the first organiza-

tion to bring the program — which was started in Burnaby, B.C. — to Ontario in 2006.

There are two pricing options for interested schools, including \$5 per student if school arranges to cut and prime its own wooden fish, or \$9 per student to include the cost of wooden fish that are laser-cut, sanded and drilled, ready for painting.

To sign up for the program or for more information, email Stream of Dreams Community Outreach Co-ordinator Sasha Benevides at sbenevides@hrca.on.ca.



Members of the E.W. Foster eco team and their Stream of Dreams mural. *Champion file photo*



Chief Librarian's Remarks

In these January Champion columns, I often take the opportunity to highlight the achievements of the previous year. Milton Public Library's (MPL) Board Chair, Brad Boehmer presented MPL's 2015 Annual Report to Town Council on January 25th, and I encourage you to pick up a copy or view it online at www.mpl.on.ca.

I couldn't be more proud when looking at the impressive results that are delivering real value for Milton residents. I am also happy to say we had an exceptional year of "firsts" at MPL.

We are looking forward to working with the Town on the next steps related to the Sherwood Community Centre/Library Branch. On January 26th, The Honourable Michael Coteau, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, announced the award of an Ontario Libraries Capacity Fund Research and Innovation Grant for our "Library without Walls" project. This grant will assist in developing the service model for the Community Centre/Library shared space as well as complementing a virtual portal.

My 2016 reading project is to read stuff in my house (or from the library). So far I'm on my 15th title, so it is going well.

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Chief Librarian

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Celebrate Black History Month

Join us for a fascinating talk by award-winning author Bryan Prince. A descendant of slaves who came to Canada. He is a respected historical researcher on the Underground Railroad, Slavery and Abolition.

February 25 - 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

at Main Library

Register: 905-875-2665 ext 3263 or email information@mpl.on.ca



English Conversation Circle

Drop in and build your confidence speaking English and meet new people.

Saturdays, Jan 30, Feb 6, 20, 27 from 10:30 to 12 noon at Beaty Branch Library

Note: The English Conversation Circle will be moving to Thursdays beginning in March



Social Media for Business

Build-your-Business Workshop

Tips & Tricks to market your business using Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pinterest and more.

February 16 - 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

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