

Volunteers needed for Dimes bingo

The York Region Chapter of the Ontario March of Dimes is looking for bingo volunteers to help out at their Richmond Hill bingo.

Volunteer hours are from 6 to 10 p.m. Thursday evenings at Mayfair Bingo, Yonge Street in Richmond Hill.

If you are interested in volunteering your time (four to 16 hours a month), please call Denise at the York Region Office of the Ontario March of Dimes at 1-800-465-1030.



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Basement waterproofing: separating myths from facts

Your house is up for sale and your basement is leaking. You drive to the home improvement store and the salesman sells you a product called hydraulic cement and instructs you to patch the leak (crack) from the inside. You read the instructions very carefully and one month later your basement is still leaking.

You then realize that you should have listened to your neighbors and had the crack fixed from the outside. Because this is a physically demanding job, and since you have only one back, you call a contractor. He then rushes to the home improvement store and buys the same product you did. Six months and \$600 later, your basement is still leaking.

You now decide to sell your house when there is no rain in the forecast. Fortunately the preceding scenario does not have to happen to you. Metro Waterproofing uses a product that is producing impressive results. Called Polyurethane (water reactive resin), this amazing material stops running water immediately, cures to

a tough rubber flexibility which allows for movement, and expands when injected to ensure complete filling of the leaking area.

Because of the expertise and equipment needed for injection, a waterproofing injection contractor like Metro Waterproofing should be used.

The price is extremely competitive - to inject a crack with Polyurethane averages \$250 to \$400. The price to excavate a crack averages \$400 to \$1,000.

Traditionally, the thinking has been that it is better to waterproof from the outside; excavating and applying a cement tar coating has been the norm.

There is, however, a large failure rate with this method for two good reasons: poor bonding of the repair materials and the simple fact that you can't put something rigid like cement into a crack that will almost certainly move.

History repeats itself, but the future belongs to Polyurethane.

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