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Celebrating Earth Day 2011 in Halton Hills

HALTON HILLS - Earth Day is fast approaching!

Once again this year, the Town of Halton Hills will celebrate Earth Day with a variety of events. Celebrations will stretch from Saturday April 16th to Saturday April 30th, and will include:

- Community Wide Clean Up Day: The 11th annual Community Wide Clean Up Day will take place on Saturday April 16th. This is your chance to pitch in and clean up Halton Hills. Parks, valleys, roads and rivers all need your help. Free bags and gloves are available. Call 905.873.2601 ext. 2609 for more information and to register your location.
- **22 Minute Makeover:** The 7th annual Halton Hills 22 Minute Makeover will take place on Wednesday April 20th. The Town, businesses and schools are asked to do a quick 22 minute litter pick up in their immediate neighbourhood. Free bags and gloves are available. Call 905.873.2601 ext. 2609 for more information and to register your location.

Town staff from all Departments will be participating in the 22 Minute Makeover. On Wednesday April 20th, dozens of Town staff will leave their offices to pick up litter at various litter hot spots around the Town.

- Tree Sale at the Robert C. Austin Operations Centre: Earth Day celebrations will take place on Saturday April 30th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Town's Robert C. Austin Operations Centre, 11620 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown. \$5 trees, free mulch and wood chips, free electronic recycling, BBQ and more. Donations to local food banks gratefully accepted. More details available at: www.haltonhills.ca/earthday
- Earth Day Fair: On Saturday April 30th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Earth Day celebrations will take place at the Earth Day Fair at the Georgetown Market Place (280 Guelph Street, Georgetown) featuring live animals, music and local environmental groups. Several 'green tours' will also be offered. Members of the Town Sustainability Advisory Committee will be present to hear your hopes and dreams for Halton Hills over the next 50 years as part of the Community Sustainability Plan. Call 905.873.2601

ext. 2290 for more information or visit www.haltonhills.ca/sustainability
Donations to local food banks gratefully accepted.

Speaking about the Town's Earth Day celebrations, Mayor Rick Bonnette noted:

"Halton Hills has a long standing commitment to the environment. We recognize that the health of our environment is key to moving forward on sustainability. This is why we are celebrating Earth Day with several events over two weeks. I invite all residents to take part in our celebrations."

As Chair of the Litter Free Task Force, Councillor Fogal said:

"Each year, we rely on local heroes to make our town a place we can all be proud of. No one likes to pick up litter and it is sad that it needs to be done. But if we do not do it, then it will not be done at all. I am proud of our Councillors and Mayor for the leadership they display every Clean Up Day."

Watch for more detailed information about the above events.

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