

Peel board approves balanced budget despite funding gap

Trustees of the Peel District School Board approved a budget of \$1.14 billion for the 2006/07 school year. This balanced budget is a 7.7% increase in Ministry of Education funding from last year. However, the board expects the actual costs of busing students will exceed the grants by \$9.5 million in the coming year.

In addition to the budget risk in transportation and a salary gap of \$10 million, board chair Janet McDougald also highlighted the funding disparity for Peel board students.

"Peel, the second largest

board in the province, the fastest growing and arguably most diverse, is now funded at \$7,591 per student,"

Wood carving at seniors' centre

Professional wood carver Jack Middleton invites you to join the Humber Valley Wood Carvers for an enjoyable afternoon or evening of instruction in the art of carving. Broaden your horizons as you develop a new skill, in a supportive environment of carvers working at various levels. Don't know a gouge from a scoop? You will. Jack will advise you on the basic tools and those to purchase. You will be guided through hands-on projects. Your only limit is your imagination.

Join over 30 members strong and growing. Welcome to all 18 years and over. Lessons are held weekly at the Caledon Senior Centre, 7 Rotarian Way, Bolton (snuggled behind the wellness Centre). Classes will commence the week of Sept. 11, running Sept. 11 1-3:30 p.m. and Sept. 14 7-9 p.m. A modest fee of \$3/member of the centre and \$4/non will be charged for each class.

Pay as you go. Contact the centre, 905-951-8114 for all details.

McDougald observed. "Why is that number important? Because other boards in the province are funded at an average of \$8,380 and in terms of per pupil funding, we're very near the bottom of the pack. If you do the math, that's \$789 times 145,000 students - approximately \$114.5 million. A significant amount of money!"

"This is simply unfair to the children we serve and the taxpayers of Peel. There's not one logical reason why we're not funded at least at the provincial average. Why

aren't we? Well that's a question I urge each of the trustees around this table, and each parent and taxpayer in Peel to ask our MPPs. It is a simple question - is there a reason Peel students receive a below-average level of funding?"

The increase in the board's budget is due mainly to enrolment growth of roughly 3% or 5,000 students.

Other new initiatives include:

* The opening of four new elementary schools and one new secondary school,

along with nine major additions.

* Expansion of alternative programs to provide a wider range of learning program options.

* Introduction of literacy coaches.

* Implementation of the energy management program and the Good Places to Learn renewal initiative.

* New budget provision for lunchroom supervisors.

For a copy of the Peel board budget, go to www.peelschools.org or call 905-890-1010 or 1-800-668-1146, ext. 2012.

Church Directory

ASSOCIATED GOSPEL CHURCHES

ALBION HILLS BIBLE CHURCH
17243 The Gore Road, Palgrave
Sunday Services
9:45 am Bible study
11 am Worship
Member of the AGC
Associated Gospel Churches
Pastor, Paul Dixon
905-880-8339
www.albionhillsbiblechurch.org
Founded on God's Word
Focused on Missions

ANGLICAN

CHRIST CHURCH BOLTON
The Rev. Canon Gregory Symmes
22 Nancy Street, 905-857-0433
Sunday worship, 10 a.m.
Church school & nursery 10 a.m.

MONO PARISH
Rev. Barbara Hammond
St. John's, Mono Mills 10:30 a.m.
St. James, Hockley 9:00 a.m.

BAPTIST

CALEDON HILLS FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH
Caledon Community Complex in Caledon East
Sunday: Worship & Kids Church 10:30 a.m.
Weekly: Home Bible Studies, Ladies' Coffee Hour, Youth Group (Gr. 9 & up)
Friday Nights: AWANA (kids program ages 3-11 6:45 p.m.-8:30 p.m.)
For more information please phone
Pastor Bill Henderson
905-584-9525
E-mail: chfbc@on.aibn.com

We're on

Mount Wolfe Rd.

1 km south of Hwy. #9

2 km north of Old Church Rd.

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer 7:30 p.m.
(Call for location)

Pastor Marino Vereecke
905-936-3786



CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Bolton Alliance Church
10:30 AM Sundays at Rotary Place (Caledon Seniors Centre) 7 Rotarian Way, Bolton
September-October Sermon Series: Ancient Words Jesus Read
Making Real Sense out of the Old Testament

Children's Sunday School Programs for Toddlers through to Grade 6

For more information visit our website
www.boltonalliancechurch.org
Email: office@boltonalliancechurch.org
Phone: 905-951-1051

Pastor: Rev. Gerard Barabash
Our Purpose: "To serve others the way Jesus did."

NEW COVENANT

THE JESUS PEOPLE
Acts 2 Verse 37-38
EVERY SUNDAY 11 a.m.
15 King St. E.

PENTECOSTAL

BOLTON PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
at the Albion Bolton Community Centre (upstairs)

Celebration Service
10:30 a.m.
Join us for our morning service, and a cup of coffee

Summer Children's Programs
Nursery/Toddlers
Kid's Church
Visitors always welcome!

Tuesday Family Night Programs
have ended for the season but will return in September!
Have a safe summer!

For more information call
Pastor Kevin Parks
905-857-7424

"A church in the heart of the community with the community at heart."

PRESBYTERIAN

CAVEN CHURCH
110 King St. W., Bolton
Rev. Jeremy Lowther
Church: 905-857-2419
Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School & Nursery
The Friendly Church with A Mission
www.caven-life.org/

UNITED

BOLTON UNITED CHURCH
8 Nancy Street, Bolton
905-857-2615
Rev. Donald White
10:00 a.m. Worship Service
11:00 a.m. Fellowship time
Church School & Nursery
All Welcome!
www.boltonunitedchurch.com

INGLEWOOD UNITED CHURCH
15672 McLaughlin Rd.
905-838-3610
REV. MARIA MINDSZENTHY
10:00 A.M. SUNDAY WORSHIP
SUNDAY SPIRIT CLUB
Ages up to 10 yrs.
JUNIOR TEAM 10-13 yrs.

PALGRAVE UNITED CHURCH
"Building on our Past for our Future"
Rev. Shelley Roberts
905-880-0303
34 Pine Ave
Wheel chair accessible
(one block east of Hwy. 50)
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC

ST. CORNELIUS CHURCH
Kennedy Road (north of the Grange)
Caledon
Mass: Sunday 8:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH ALBION
16066 Gore Road (north of Old Church Road)
Albion

Masses: Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:15 a.m.
11:45 a.m.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

A directory of what is happening in the community

THIS COLUMN IS PROVIDED AS A FREE PUBLIC SERVICE TO NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS TO ANNOUNCE UPCOMING EVENTS. PLEASE CONTACT BETH EARLY-REA AT CALEDON COMMUNITY SERVICES AT 905-584-9460 IF YOU WISH TO HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT PUBLISHED. THE DEADLINE IS WEDNESDAY.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
Register now for free Fall Parenting Education Workshops at the Caledon Parent-Child Centre/Ontario Early Years Centre. Childcare provided for a small fee. Visit www.cp-cc.org. To register, call 905-857-0090. **Cheltenham Baptist Church** hosts Youth Gym Night, 7pm, at Credit View Public School. Sports, games and fun with friends for youth in grades 6-12. Call Pastor Wayne 905-838-3122.

Caledon East Seniors Club #588 meet every Wednesday, 1:15 pm, at the Caledon Community Complex, Caledon East. Everyone welcome for an afternoon of friendly euchre and lunch. Call Marjorie 905-584-2691.

BOLTON LAUGHTER CLUB meets Wednesdays, 7-8 pm, at the Travel Terminal in the Shoppers Drugmart Plaza, Bolton. Laugh with others for no reason. Enjoy laughter workouts, combined with yoga breathing. No fee. Everyone welcome.

"Divas Wanted". **Orangeville Sweet Adelines** invites women who like to sing to four "Guest Rehearsals" commencing Sept 6th, 7:30pm, St John's Anglican Church, (3907 Hwy 9, east of Hwy 10). For more info, call 519-927-5370, 519-941-5655, or visit www.harmonize.com/orangeville echorus.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
Trip to "Walter Family Country Jubilee". Buffet lunch and show. Coach leaves Caledon Seniors Centre 9:15 am; returns 5 pm. \$70/person. To reserve, call 905-951-6114.

Registration for Beavers, Cubs & Scouts, 6-8 pm at the Kinsmen Centre (35 Chapel St, Bolton). \$175/youth. Minimum age for Beavers is 5 yrs by Dec 31/06. Accepting applications for leaders. Group Committee Meeting to follow, 8-10 pm. Call 905-857-3188.

Peel Dufferin Plowing Match at Treeola Farms (Bill & Nancy Hewson, 12700 McLaughlin Rd, Caledon). Registration 8:30-10 am; Plowing 10:15 am; Barbecue 12 noon. Everyone welcome. Call Laura 905-951-2068.

Bolton Banter Toastmasters meet every 1st, 3rd & 5th Thursday at the Albion Bolton Community Centre, Rm E, 7-9 pm. Lose your fear of public speaking

and build leadership skills. Everyone welcome. Email Evaatvpmembership@boltonbantertoastmasters.org.

Meeting of the Bolton & District Horticultural Society, 7:15 pm, at the Caledon Centre for Recreation & Wellness, Bolton. Topic: "Ornamental Grasses". Members free; \$3/non-members or \$2/members of other horticultural societies. Call 905-857-1460.

The Peel Harm Reduction Network hosts a free barbecue, 5-8 pm, in Gage Park (downtown Brampton). Everyone welcome. Livemusic, free food and refreshments.

SEPTEMBER 8-10 Annual Caledon Fall Fair Weekend in the Caledon Village Fairgrounds on Hwy 10. Demolition Derby Fri 8 pm; Tractor Pull Sat 6 pm. Visit www.caledonfairgrounds.ca.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 Hospice Caledon Fundraiser, "Afternoon of Affirmation", for women only, 1-5 pm, in the Albion Bolton Community Centre. Tickets \$75. Relax & rejuvenate. Spa services, massages, yoga. Call Hospice Caledon 905-951-3534.

Over Forty Solos Association of Brampton host a Dance, 8pm-1am, at St John Fisher Church Hall (300 Balmoral Dr, Brampton). DJ, prizes, refreshments and dress code. Call Jerry 416-258-6282.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 Sundae Sunday and Sunday School begins, 10 am, at Caledon East United Church (6046 Old Church Rd). Featuring games, songs, crafts, snacks. Call 905-584-9974.

Communion Service 11 am and Welcome Back Corn Roast 12:30 pm, at St James Anglican Church (6025 Old Church Rd, Caledon East). Meet Bishop Poole. Everyone welcome. Call 905-584-9635. www.stjamescaledoneast.ca.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 Weekly Bridge begins again, 7 pm, at St James Anglican Church, Caledon East. All players from beginners to long-time are welcome to come out and enjoy a friendly game for a toonie. Call 905-857-1855.

Professional wood carver, Jack Middleton, and the Humber Valley Wood Carvers host weekly lessons in the "Art of Carving", 1-3:30 pm (or Thurs 7-9 pm) at the Caledon Seniors Centre (7 Rotarian Way, Bolton). Develop a new skill with carvers working at various levels. All adults 18 yrs & over welcome. Small pay as you go fee charged. Call 905-951-6114.

Meeting of the Newcomers Club, 7:30 pm. Open to women who have resided in the Erin/Hillsburg/Caledon area for

less than 3 years. For location and more information, call Sharon 519-927-9356 or Joy 519-855-4248.

SEPTEMBER 11-16 Fall Registration for free Children's Early Learning Programs & Parenting Education at the Caledon Parent-Child Centre/Ontario Early Years Centre. Baby Playtime, Mother Goose, Fun With Science, Preschool Time. Visit www.cp-cc.org. To register, call 905-857-0090.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 Meeting of the Peel North Branch of the Retired Women Teachers of Ontario, 10:30 am, at North Bramalea United Church (363 Howden Blvd). Taoist Tai Chi Demonstration. RSVP to Karin 905-796-2146.

Meeting of the Orangeville & District Horticultural Society, 7:30 pm, at the Orangeville Seniors Centre (26 Bythia St). Topic: "The Container Challenge". Three designers create a different floral design in identical containers. Silent Auction. Everyone welcome.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 Tops (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Group meets in Bolton United Church Heritage Hall, weigh-in 7 pm; meeting 7:30-8:30 pm. This non-profit weight loss support group meets every Wednesday. Call Ruth 905-857-3237 or Beth 905-857-7452.

Bolton & District Old Time Fiddlers meet 6:30-11pm, in the Albion Bolton Community Centre. Everyone welcome to come out and enjoy the music. Admission \$2/person. Call Scotty 905-451-8057.

Meeting of the Humber Valley Heritage Trail Association, 7:30 pm, in the Humberview School Staff Lounge. Everyone welcome. Call Bill 905-857-1384.

Catholic Womens League General Meeting, 8 pm, in the Holy Family Church Hall (60 Allan Dr, Bolton). Short Video Presentation: "A Tribute to Mother Teresa". Followed by social time. All ladies welcome.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 Probus Club of Bolton District meets 9:30 am, at the Caledon Seniors Centre (7 Rotarian Way, Bolton). Speaker: Sara Haneywill gives a presentation on Whales. Call 905-880-4532.

Meeting of the Mono Road Womens Institute at the home of Marilyn Kolking, Mono Road. Lunch provided at 12 noon. Roll Call: A Gardening Tip. Program: Perennial Plant Sale. Call Jenny 905-584-2901.

SEPTEMBER 14-17 Brampton Fall Fair Weekend at the Fairgrounds (Heart Lake Rd & Old School Rd, Caledon). Visit www.bramptonfair.com or call 905-843-0210.