

READY TO RUN:

Above, (from left) Nicole Chuchmach, Jill Harper and Natalie Atkinson share a moment before heading out on Sophie's Run Monday morning. At left, Chuchmach makes an emotional address before the run held in memory of her mom Sophie who died of colorectal cancer. The start of the run drew more than 200 people to Ned Devine's. Raising awareness of the disease, the trio will run from Milton to New York City over the next eight weeks.

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More money needed: councillors

Pushing Province for financial injection to cover growth costs

Local politicians have once again let the Province know that Milton and Halton need more money for infrastructure to handle the rapidly growing population.

The message was delivered by members of both town and regional councils at last week's Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference.

Mayor Gord Krantz said he, Regional Chair Gary Carr and the other three Halton mayors met with Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Jim Watson and Minister of Transportation Jim Bradley at the conference.

"We made our case for the wants and needs of Halton," he said.

Among the items discussed were the need for a Hwy. 401 interchange on Tremaine Road and for more provincial involvement in delivering social housing.

"Halton is affluent, but there's still a need for social housing," said Krantz.

The mayor said he also told Minister Watson about the Town's plans to create the Milton Education Village — a large neighbourhood in south Milton that could include a Wilfrid Laurier University campus, on-site student housing, a busi-

ness/research park, supporting services and a comprehensively planned adjacent residential neighbourhood.

"He was quite interested in what we're doing," he said.

The AMO conference, which was held this year in Ottawa, was also attended by Ward 1 Councillor Brian

Penman, Ward 2 councillors Mike Boughton and Greg Nelson, Ward 3 Councillor Cindy Lunau, Ward 4 Councillor Wendy Schau and Wards 2 and 4 Councillor Colin Best.

The Town budgeted \$14,000 this year for the council members to attend the conference.



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Ward Boundary Review

Milton Town Council has commissioned an independent consultant to review ward boundaries in Milton.

Members of the public are invited to attend public meetings that will:

- Discuss growth and its effect on local political representation;
- Seek to determine whether the present system for electing local councillors (2 members for each of 4 wards) is suitable;
- Review the current practice of electing one regional councillor from "urban Milton" (the present wards 2 and 4) and the other from "rural Milton" (the present wards 1 and 3);
- Provide an open forum for comments, concerns and suggestions.

Public meetings will take place:

- Thursday September 18, 2008 at the Nassagaweya Community Centre, 11264 Guelph Line from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- Thursday September 25, 2008 at the Milton Sports Centre, 605 Santa Maria Blvd., Meeting Room # 3 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

More information is available at www.milton.ca.



