

Mark Your Calendars for the September 7th Golf and Dinner Event!

Have you ever been to the Coalition Golf and Dinner event? If you haven't, you're really missing a fantastic day—all a short drive from your home. The golfing takes place at the beautiful Caledon Club, followed by dinner at a stunning location, not far from the Golf Club. The mouth-watering dinner, catered by Gourmandissimo of Caledon East gives new meaning to great food. Your spouse not a golfer?

No worries. Dinner tickets can be bought separately. This community event is not to be missed. **Tickets are \$ 250. for 18 holes and dinner. Dinner only is \$125.**

For more details or to reserve your place; contact Brenda Marko for information. Her email is: brendamarko@somedayfarm.ca or phone 519-927-9444 or fax 519-927-5180. If you are leaving a message be sure to indicate you are calling about the Coalition Golf and Dinner event.

See you September 7th !



YES, I would like to help in the fight!

Find my donation enclosed for the "Coalition of Concerned Citizens" in the amount of:

- \$30.
 \$50.
 \$100.
 other \$ _____

*If a tax receipt is required, make cheques payable to the:
Environmental Defence Canada (for the CCC)*

or bill my Visa/Mastercard

Card # _____

Exp. Date _____ Name on Card _____

Signature _____

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Return pledge card & donation in an envelope to:

Coalition of Concerned Citizens, C/O 5044 Winston Churchill Blvd., Terra Cotta, ON L0P 1N0



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THE NEWSLETTER FOR COMMUNICATING OUR CONCERNS

Keeping our communities green and safe

The *great* big GARAGE SALE

**SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2007
9am to 4pm ONLY**

Antiques, Collectibles, Silent Auction, Hardware, Small Appliances, Plants, Electronics, Furniture, Toys, Baking, Books, Linens, Lighting, Kitchenware, Sporting Goods, Clothing, and much, much more under one BIG roof.

"IT'S BACK!" It's the original. It's bigger! And it's our 10th Anniversary!
So don't miss out on all those treasures, and remember – all the proceeds go towards saving your countryside and your community.

Admission: Adults \$2.00 and Children under 12 are FREE. Free Parking
For directions and details, see next page...

www.coalitioncaledon.com

**It's not helping anyone
if it's still in your basement.
We need your stuff.**

**It helps us all if you donate your previously
loved stuff to the Great, Big Garage Sale!**

Big Sale - Sat. April 28. Believe it or not, this is our **10th Anniversary** of raising funds for the Coalition of Concerned Citizens. The much needed financial assistance has helped us achieve the goal of protecting our water resources and countryside for future generations.

Our efforts have brought these issues to the attention of our federal, provincial and municipal governments. We could never have come this far without you. Thank you for all your hard work.

We need your stuff!

Please help us by cleaning out your basements, attics and garages and donating your excess stuff. We need things like china, sports equipment, garden stuff, tools, windows, doors, furniture, hardware, clean clothing, furniture, toys,

CD's, records, books, etc. We have the *Green Thumb Table* too! Time to think about those house and garden plants that need dividing! We also need your tasty home cooking for *The Big, Bake Sale Table*. It's always a big hit so we'd like to make it even larger.

And please **NO** mattresses, paint or tires.

Drop off days at Someday Farm will be:

Wed. Apr. 25 _____ 10am - 5pm
Thurs. Apr. 26 _____ 10am - 9pm
Fri. Apr. 27 _____ 10am - 6pm

Please help.

Remember the success of our organization is based on your participation. For information, help with large items or if you can offer some time, please call **905-838-4333**.



The Great, Big Garage Sale. Saturday, April 28, 9am - 4pm only.

Admission: \$2. Children under 12 free. Free Parking.
Someday Farm, 5192 Winston Churchill Blvd.
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It's the Pits; The Rockfort Update

In the last year, James Dick Construction Ltd (JDCL) hired consultants to collect data for the Town of Caledon's "broader environmental study" for Aggregate Resource Area 9A. This area includes the lands that JDCL wants to develop into an open pit mine. His application triggered the necessity for the "Comprehensive Broader Scale Environmental Study" (CBSES) under the Town policies. This involved monitoring and data collection for groundwater, surface water, fisheries, and wildlife species. The findings were released in a report Nov.30th, 2006, followed by two public meetings aimed at gathering and exchanging information from the community, on Jan 25th and Feb 27th, 2007. The room was packed with Caledon residents for both meetings. More information on all of these reports and meetings are available on the Town's website.

Some Highlights of the January 25th Meeting

- The public viewed many maps and graphics of the study area and gave input about missing or incorrect information.
- Rockfort consultants made some questionable statements regarding a number of issues (e.g.: water and the "grout curtain") with which the CCC disagrees.
- Citizens voiced serious concerns about potential negative impacts to water, property values, the environment, the countryside, the roads, and the Niagara Escarpment.
- Serious concerns were also raised about the negative effects of blasting in the area.
- James Dick's credibility was seriously brought into question over his ability to prevent damage to the water and the environment with a huge open pit mine. Major doubts were also raised as to who would end up paying if things went terribly wrong.
- Citizens had serious concerns about the bias of the report because the consultants were hired and paid for by JDCL.

Some Highlights of the February 27th Meeting.

- Residents recorded their vision of how to maintain and enhance the environment of the study area.
- Citizens were very concerned about protecting the high quality and quantity of the groundwater and surface water that they now enjoy.
- They have grave concerns over possible changes to land use that would degrade the countryside, and wildlife habitat that is so closely connected to water.
- They stressed the need for independent long term monitoring to truly understand how the area functions, and factor in the potential impacts of climate change.
- Citizens wanted the work by JDCL consultants to be independently peer reviewed.
- They suggested JDCL post a security bond, indexed for inflation, against liabilities.
- For more information see Caledon's website: www.caledon.ca (go to the Town Hall tab and then the environment tab)
- Another public meeting will take place in May '07

As you can see, this application has not gone away and remains a serious threat to our water, our environment and our countryside. We count on your continued support and look forward to seeing you on April 28th for the Garage Sale and Sept 7th for our Golf Tournament. Call us for information at 905-838-4333. To get more involved or stay current with our activities, visit our website at

www.coalitioncaledon.com