

Welcome to your Community

If you're new to Oakville, or even a long-time resident, perhaps it's time to discover, or rediscover your library.

Your library can give you access to a multitude of new learning opportunities: through its computer workstations and Internet access (including wireless Internet), annual events such as author visits, the opportunity to get involved in our book clubs, kits for your own book clubs, children's activities and events, and great tools for school or work-related research projects, accessible right from your computer. Where else can you borrow books, music CDs and movies?

If it's community information you're after, thanks to our Information Oakville department, we also provide all kinds of information about the social, health and government services in Oakville and surrounding areas. Information Oakville houses the largest collection of happenings, events and services in town.

Information Oakville connects people to the services they need by



providing free confidential information on, and referral to, services available to the Oakville community. The listings contained in the community information section of this guide are provided from our Halton Community Services Database.

For new residents, a great way to get to know the community is to purchase a Newcomer Kit, packed with everything you want to know about living in Oakville. Pick one up at the Central Library for only \$5.

Visit www.opl.on.ca and www.informationoakville.org and start benefiting from our services today. Drop in to one of our branch locations to learn more about anything we have mentioned above.

Discover the Oakville Public Library, where people and ideas meet.

Yours very truly,

Eleanor James, CEO
Oakville Public Library

From the Publisher

I hope you enjoy this year's Oakville Community Guide. This is the Oakville Beaver's 26th anniversary of publishing the guide and we have strived to make it our best one yet. This annual publication provides a year round outline of all the events and festivals that are such an important part of the fabric of Oakville. It contains profiles on some of the many great people and places that help make Oakville the best community in Canada to call your home.



The guide also provides information on the numerous local businesses that are the backbone of our community and we encourage you to support them by shopping locally.

Oakville is a vibrant community that we are proud to serve and we feel that we have been able to capture some of this spirit within the guide. Thank you for taking the time to read this publication and for sharing our passion for Oakville.

Sincerely

Neil Oliver, Publisher,
The Oakville Beaver

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