



Guys & Dolls strut their stuff



Say cheese. Erin Mills resident Dianne Morgan decided to create a vintage calendar to benefit the paediatric oncology department at the Credit Valley Hospital. This diverse group of people are among those featured in the calendar. The calendar will be unveiled to the public at the Mississauga Convention Centre on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. *Photo by Margie Mastrangelo* by:- **Radhika Panjwani**
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A Mississauga realtor, a life coach, an university student and the mayor have more in common than it would seem at first glance. The quartet are just a few of the people who will grace the pages of a special 2010 vintage-themed calendar, created to benefit the paediatric oncology department at Credit Valley Hospital. The calendar, dubbed Guys & Dolls, will be unveiled to the public at the Mississauga Convention Centre on Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

Erin Mills resident Dianne Morgan, whose idea it was to create the black-and-white calendar, says she spent more than 1,500 volunteer hours translating her '50s theme project into reality. In her efforts to recreate the '50s, Morgan said she painstakingly coordinated all details – clothes, hair, make-up and even the props – so that the calendar appeared to be reminiscent of the bygone era. The calendar features people from all walks of life and includes Mayor Hazel McCallion, Living Arts CEO Gerry Townsend, philanthropist Maggie Bras, developer Peter McCallion, philanthropist Betty Russell, university student Amanda Persad, realtor Michael Brown, life coach Susan Howson, firefighter Brad Welsh, singer Suzanne Brown, Mississauga Convention Centre marketing director Cliff Silveira, hair and beauty specialist Jovanna Green and nutritionist Kate Unger. The participants volunteered by e-mailing Morgan their willingness to pose for the calendar. “This calendar is designed to reflect the diversity that is our community regardless of age, ethnicity or social standing,” Morgan said. “I believe that we are all beautiful and magnificent in our own special ways. It is time to recognize that we are all connected in this universe and that the only true measure of success is by the lives we positively touch along the way.” Morgan decided to publish the calendar after being inspired by her eight-year-old daughter, who donated her hair to a charity last year. Morgan said the money raised by selling the 3,000 calendars, each costing \$20 a piece, would go to the paediatric oncology unit, which aids children with cancer.

She said in looking for people to grace the pages of the calendar, she was hoping to find people with a passion for their jobs. “Passion is something you wear on your sleeve,” she said. “So, when we were looking for people, we were looking for people driven about something, whether it's their job or whatever. It was not about focusing on the recognition they've in the community, it's guys and dolls you meet everyday.” Mississauga photographer Margie Mastrangelo managed to capture the nervousness on the faces of her subjects and turn it into a work of art, said Morgan. Graphic designer Frank Bailey and printer Lorry Smith helped Morgan make of the calendar. Morgan is currently looking for volunteers for future calendars. To order a copy of the calendar, visit www.amazing-women.ca or e-mail diannesm@sympatico.ca.