

# Molok installs innovative waste management bins

Molok North America Owner and President Marja Hillis recently installed her innovative waste management product at Molok's offices in Mount Forest, and at her family residence on Southgate Road 4.

The waste bins are meant to replace the need for conventional waste bins at their offices at 178 Norpark Drive in Mount Forest, and as a replacement for the waste bins now in use for rural waste collection in Southgate Township.

Molok has installed three 5,000-litre (6.5 cubic yard) containers at their office, one for general waste, one for paper and one for cardboard.

If used only by Molok, it is anticipated these units would be emptied around one time per year. Molok is extending an invitation to their fellow businesses in the area to share the use of the bins. The emptying cost of around \$60 per unit makes this a very cost efficient alternative to conventional waste bins.

Additionally, Mrs. Hillis has installed two 3,000-litre (4.9 cubic yard) containers at her residence on Southgate Road 4 (formerly Concession 6 of Egremont). At this location, one container will be used for general

waste and the other used for mixed recyclables. Organics will go into her composting unit. It is anticipated these containers will be emptied two times per year.

The Molok Corporation worked with Southgate's waste management committee, proposing that 60 depots of Moloks, each with three 5,000-litre containers for waste, recyclables and organics, be strategically located throughout Southgate to act as small transfer stations for residents to bring their waste to.

This is a very common waste management strategy in Europe and, Mrs. Hillis says, would work well in Southgate where the majority of residents were already taking their waste to a transfer station.

Southgate Council opted to make the controversial decision to use the automated collection truck and individual waste bins.

The Molok family of products, developed in Finland by Mrs. Hillis' father in the late 1980s, now number over 50,000 units in over 20 countries worldwide.

Moloks are installed two-thirds into the ground and subsequently offer a large capacity of storage in a relatively small space when compared to tra-

ditional collection bins.

They are attractive, odorless, resistant to urban wildlife, and require much smaller access route to empty than traditional waste bins. As a result of less frequent emptying, Molok is a very cost efficient alternative to traditional waste collection.

The Molok product line ranges in capacity from 300 litres to 5,000 litres in size. As a result of the cylindrical nature of the product, the waste easily compacts by the natural forces of gravity. Depending on the type of waste and the frequency of collection, the compacted volume ranges from 1:1 to 2.5:1 adding even more value.

The Molok product line can be used for a wide variety of waste products including mixed waste, all recyclables, cardboard, organics and waste grease from deep fryers.

## Correction

Two names were inadvertently omitted in a report about the Grade 8 graduation at the Mount Forest District High School which appeared in a recent Confederate.

Among the graduates were Chris Yake and Jason Woods.

The Confederate apologizes for the omission.