

### Crawling along

Acton High School held a Science Fair last week and Grade 10 science students, Grade 11 biology students and OAC chemistry and biology students showed off their science projects. Here, OAC biology student Amanda Walton plays with one of the rats she used to show how different mixtures of herbs can either slow or speed up a rat's metabolism. (Herald photo)

## Georgetown woman wins \$250,000 in Lotto 649

Georgetown resident Wendy Cotton is \$250,000 richer after winning the Ontario Lottery Corporation 649 Encore jackpot Dec.

Ms. Cotton bought the lucky ticket at the Miracle Food Mart in Georgetown.

The Encore number is a random number that accompanies every 649 ticket. The new draw only recently became part of the 649 Lotto, an Ontario Lotto Corporation spokesman said.

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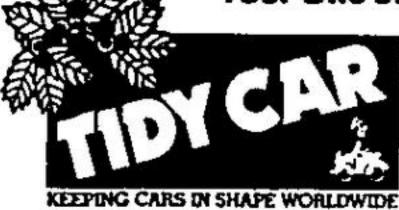
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## Halton Catholic School Board expects \$1.8 million deficit

The Halton Roman Catholic Board of Education should expect a \$1.8 million deficit for 1989, says the board's superintendent for business services, and treasurer.

Tom Brady attributes the expected deficit to lower than anticipated student enrolment levels.

The board projected there would be 3,902 secondary students and 10,151 full-time, elementary students for the current school

year. But only 3,736 students enrolled in the high schools while 10,036 students registered for elementary classes, he said.

Mr. Brady said fewer students meant that the board received \$1.2 million less in provincial grants and it lost out on a \$400,000 grant for open access students.

The board based student enrolment estimates for 1989 on the population increases in the Region during previous years.

Mr. Brady pointed to families moving out of the area and fewer students than expected going back to school to do their Ontario Academic Certificate, as two possible reasons for the lower enrolments.

He also said the board had to spend \$200,000 more than planned for staff, and building construction and repairs.

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