

Ted Arnott..... 9
Calendar 12, 19
Sports 13
Classifieds... 17, 18
Directory..... RE 9



IN BLOOM

GHS's annual plant sale set for Friday at Gellert Centre
PAGE 10



'HIT' PUT ON PIZZERIA

Customers dismayed Acton's Godfather's Pizza shop to close
PAGE 11

THE INDEPENDENT

Halton Hills' award-winning newspaper

32 Pages

TUESDAY, May 11, 2010

50 Cents (+ GST)

Circulation: 22,800

Why aren't these men smiling?



Because Halton Region has charged them \$71,000 for water services they can't even get

By **KIM ARNOTT**
Metroland Media Group

Regional politicians have rejected a request by two Acton companies to receive a rebate on fees they have paid for water and wastewater services they don't need, and can't get anyway.

Last Wednesday, representatives from Metro Pavement Markings and R&M Construction asked the Halton Region's Administration and Finance committee to give them back more than \$71,000 they collectively paid in development charges to cover water and wastewater services.

Metro Pavement Markings, a company that has been in business in Acton for about 35 years, is constructing a 12,800 sq. ft. storage building on its property to store large equipment not being used during the wintertime.

R&M Construction, a longstanding local landscaping company, is also in the process of building a facility to store its seasonal equipment.

When obtaining their building permits, both companies were charged regional development charges, with a portion of the fees designated for water and wastewater services.

However, neither company needs those services for their buildings, and even if they wanted them, would be unable to get them.

See 'IT'S', pg. 3

Dean George, vice-president of Metro Pavement Markings (left) and Harry Reinders, owner of R&M Construction, pose outside a planned storage building at Metro's 69 Commerce Crescent location in Acton. The two firms are asking Halton Region for more than \$71,000 in rebates on development charges they've paid for storage buildings. The charges are to cover water services neither building needs, nor can get because of Acton's water shortage. Photo by Ted Brown

Visit our showroom

Buy Wise

WINDOWS & DOORS

• your window & door professionals •

341 Guelph St., Unit 3 Georgetown
905.873.0236

www.buy-wise.ca info@buy-wise.ca

• awarded readers choice 10 times •

For the best automotive selection,
visit www.georgetownchev.com

We now carry Buick, GMC brands!

GEORGETOWN CHEVROLET Buick GMC

33 MOUNTAINVIEW RD. N., GEORGETOWN
905-877-6944

INCREASE YOUR HOME VALUE

Maple Star Contracting

Renovations and Installations

• Basements • Kitchens • Bathrooms • Additions

Great Rates and Quality Service

Steve Collins 905-877-3493