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**Passport office opens**

A regional passport office to serve this area opened on July 19 in Brampton. The new office will be located at the Civic Centre, 3rd Floor, 150 Central Park Drive. The hours of operation will be from 8:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. With the ever increasing demand for passports by Canadians in Metro Toronto and the surrounding areas, it is anticipated a passport office in Brampton will offset some of the demand.

**Telephone correction**

A story on the newly-formed Erin, Hillsburgh and District Humane Society, which also covers Acton and Georgetown, published the wrong telephone number in last week's newspaper. The correct number is (519) 927-5152. The Georgetown Independent and Acton Free Press apologizes for the error.

**Enter our photo contest**

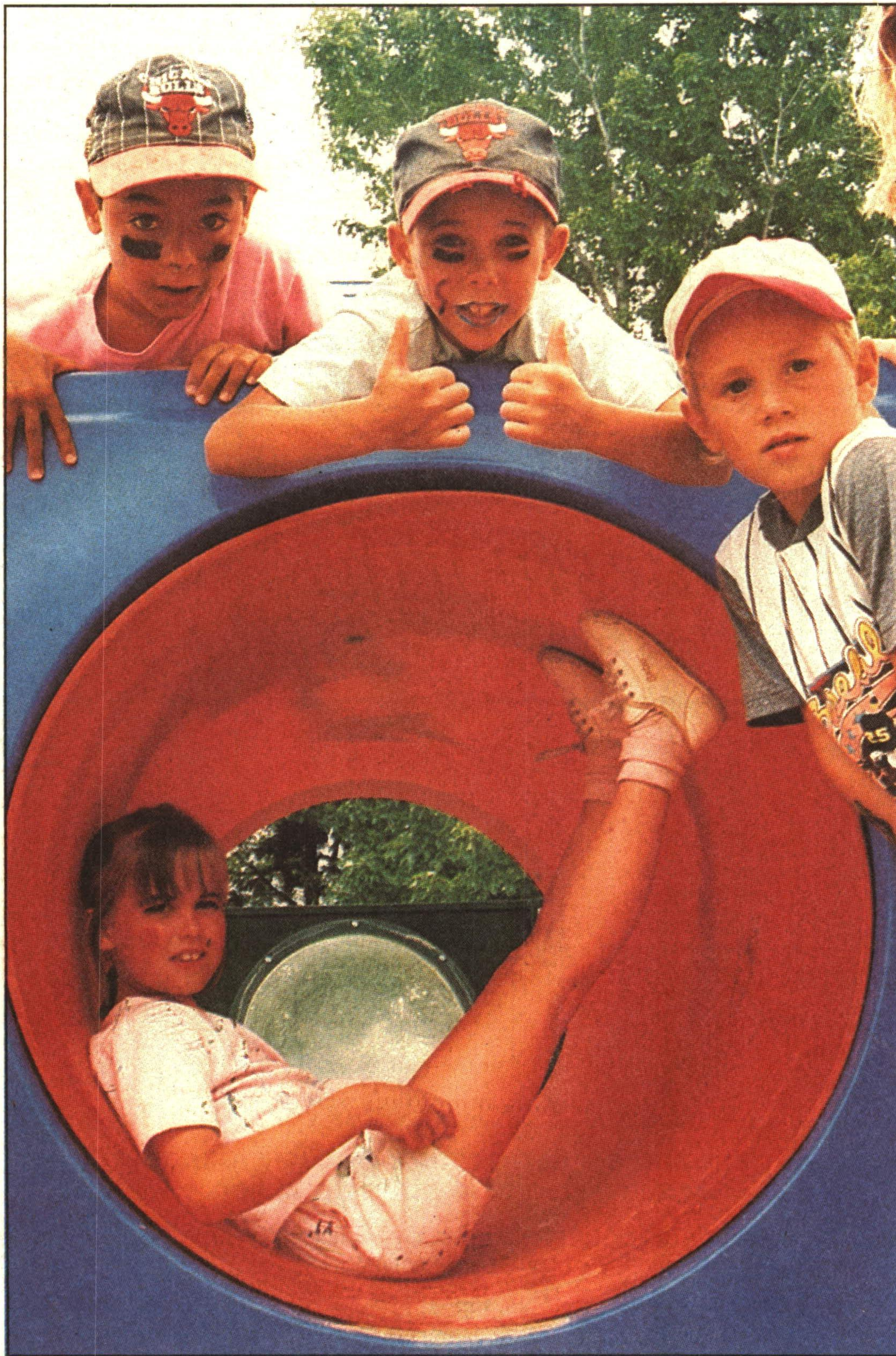
The Georgetown Independent and Acton Free Press invite you to pull out your old photo albums and find that favorite picture of your pets and children to enter our photo contest. Open to all amateur photographers. See rules and entry form on page 6 of this newspaper.

**Man exposes himself**

A woman reported to police a man in a car was watching her park her car at Georgetown Marketplace Tuesday afternoon. When she went back to her car and drove over to the Canadian Tire Store, the man followed her in his car. This is where he exposed himself to her while he sat in his car, police said. They describe the man as being between 5' 8" to 5'10" tall, slim, fair with light hair in his late 30s or early 40s. He was dressed in grey pants with a light shirt which had the sleeves rolled partly up. The man was driving a dark blue four door full-sized car, police said.

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Lazy days of summer

There's plenty of summertime fun at Halton Hills Recreation Department's camps this year. Taking a break in the tunnel was seven-year-old Shannon Reynolds, with above, (from left), Roger Baker, 8, Sean Reynolds, 9, and an unidentified youngster. Both the Acton camps at McKenzie Smith School and the

Georgetown camps at Park and George Kennedy Schools have plenty of sports, games, crafts, and special events for kids of all ages. They run from August 9-27th. For more information call the Registration Hotline 873-2600 ext 275!

Photo by LAURA SALVERDA

## Town cuts deal with non-union employees

By LISA TALLYN

Staff writer

In an effort to meet Halton Hills share of the social contract reductions, council members, at a special Thursday night meeting, supported closing the Civic Centre this year between Christmas and New Year's.

Town employees, who make more than \$30,000 a year, will take the three additional days off between the holidays without pay. Pay cheques will be equalized from August through December so employees won't be hit with a whopping pay cut at Christmas time. Employees also face a three-year wage freeze.

Town administrator Ray King said the three-day closure will shave about \$60,000 off of the \$282,549 worth of cuts the town has to make under the social contract. Other municipal operations will also be reviewed for possible closure.

"We tried to limit the impact on town employees and the public," said King. "We think it's a reasonable approach. We need to provide the best services we can to the public."

Arenas will remain open over the Christmas holidays, and those employees will take the three days off at another time. King is not certain yet how the closure of the Civic Centre will relate to employees who make less than \$30,000. Those employees are exempt from the social contract's wage freeze and mandatory days off requirement.

"They may be encouraged to take vacation days, or take them off for overtime. It is conceivable however we may have to pay them to take the days off," said King.

King added no layoffs are planned for 1993.

Other savings this year will come from not hiring a student to work in the engineering department this fall, or a contract special projects coordinator later this year. Savings will also be realized by not replacing employees immediately after they leave their jobs and by reducing the amount of overtime available to employees.

More savings are to come from not upgrading the town's radio system and not purchasing about \$10,000 worth of corporate financial

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