



Throne speech is a document of denial: MPP Arnott

The Wynne Liberal Government's Speech from the Throne is a document of denial, according to Wellington-Halton Hills MPP Ted Arnott. "Whether it comes to the need for an effective plan to balance the budget, address the jobs crisis, or bring accountability for Ornge, or for cancelling the gas plants, the Government appears to be in denial," Arnott said in a press release issued late Tuesday, arguing the Throne

Speech promised more of the same.

"The Throne Speech shows that the Wynne Government is content to continue on the same path that the McGuinty Government has taken us down for the past nine and a half years," Arnott charged.

The Throne Speech was the first order of business when the Ontario Legislature resumed sitting on Tuesday, after having been prorogued for more than four months.

"It offered many platitudes, but few specifics. While it suggested that the Government is willing to cooperate with the Opposition parties in the minority Parliament, that remains to be seen," Arnott said.

But one thing is certain, Arnott concluded: "Tinkering around the edges will not solve Ontario's most significant challenges or get us back on the right track. We can do better, and Ontario deserves better."

TOWNSHIP SHORTS

MEMORIAL LIBRARY AT CENTENNIAL

The library at Centennial School in Rockwood will be named the Ashlynnne Rayner Memorial Library after the five-year old student who was run over by a school bus in 2007. The school's principal and a parent asked Upper Grand District School Board trustees to honour the little girl who was an avid reader, and whose parents have donated thousands of dollars worth of books to the school library.

Rayner was killed when after getting off a school bus at her grandmother's home on the Fourth Line,

Eramosa. Her brother crossed safely in front of the bus, but the little girl, unseen by the driver, turned back and apparently fell near the rear on the driver's side and was run over when the bus pulled away.

CITY NOT GUILTY IN WARREN DEATH

"Shame," that's what Mark Warren of Eramosa said last week after a Guelph court found the city not guilty under the Occupational Health and Safety Act in connection with the 2009 death of his 14-year-old daughter Isabel. She was killed when an improperly anchored wall fell on her in

a public washroom in a Guelph park.

The Guelph Mercury reported the court found the City took all reasonable precautions when it relied on the professional standards of engineers, architects and masons who built the washroom and wall that collapsed when Warren sat on a change table attached to the wall. The city, its architect and engineer were charged by the Ministry of Labour, but those charges were dismissed last April because they had not been laid within the prescribed timeframe. A Ministry appeal of that ruling will be heard in Guelph on May 16.



SUNRISE SNOWBLOWER

Thanks to a generous donation of a snowblower from Bruce Pinder, owner of Jim's Repair Shop in Rockwood, a fundraiser for the Sunrise Therapeutic Riding and Learning Centre in Puslinch topped its \$3,000

fundraising goal.

When a recent fundraiser on CJOY radio in Guelph failed to meet the goal, Pinder stepped in and donated the snowblower, which auctioned off and purchased for \$450 by a Guelph woman, putting the fundraising efforts over the top.

POSTAL VANDALS

Vandals smashed at least nine mailboxes on Dublin Line on the weekend, leaving a trail of splintered mail boxes – none of the plastic mailboxes were touched – along the RR # 3, Acton route in the area of Acton Meadows golf course.



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