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A Halton Regional Police tracking dog tries to pick up the scent of a suspect following a Monday morning armed robbery at the Worldlynx Wireless store on Guelph Street. Photo by Ted Brown

Man sought following armed robbery

Halton Police are investigating an armed robbery at Worldlynx Wireless on Guelph St. shortly before 11 a.m. Monday.

Sgt. Dave Cross, Halton Regional Police Media Relations Officer, said an armed lone male suspect entered the store (330 Guelph St.) at that time. At publication time Cross did not know what the suspect was armed with.

He said the employee of the store (which has Bell signage) was not injured in the robbery and Cross didn't know if the suspect took anything from the store.

The suspect is believed to have fled on foot,

said Cross.

Police established a perimeter and three nearby schools— George Kennedy, St. Francis of Assisi, and Centennial Middle School— were put into hold and secure, said Cross, while officers searched the area with the aid of the canine unit. The hold and secure was lifted shortly after noon.

Monday afternoon Cross said officers were no longer tracking the suspect and no arrests had been made. Police are still investigating.

Cross did not release a description of the suspect.

Revamped library prepares for grand reopening Saturday

The expanded Halton Hills Library and Cultural Centre isn't even officially open yet, but it's already proving to be a hit with residents.

The library, which opened its doors to the public Friday, sent out a tweet on its Twitter account yesterday (Monday) stating more than 5,600 items had been checked out already.

That number of items matched all of its weekend totals from January of last year, the tweet added.

The library will hold its Come Celebrate! official grand opening this Saturday (Jan. 26).

The facility had been awaiting final certifications and that had pushed back the "soft opening" 10 days to last Friday.

The 24-hour library materials return drop is now open on Market Street and is taking the return of borrowed materials. Fines incurred during the move, and as a result of opening delays, will be waived on any materials borrowed from the Georgetown Branch.

The main public entrance remains on Church Street.

"There has been a tremendous amount of work accomplished in the last month and we are very pleased with the final result," said Sheila Taylor, Chair of the Georgetown Branch Planning Committee.

Construction crews continue to work on the Gallery and theatre which will open at a later date.

"The official grand opening will be a great day for all of Halton Hills to enjoy," said Mayor Rick Bonnette. "With this new state-of-the-art, fully accessible and environmentally-friendly building, we've really got something to celebrate!"

A fun-filled day for the whole family is planned, including some special highlights:

- Official ribbon-cutting ceremony at 11 a.m. with celebration cake and free McDonald's coffee;
- Meet and greet author visit by CBC *Hockey Night in Canada* commentator, Gord

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