

## Region hands out containers on Sat.

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Halton Region is holding a demonstration of the new Household Hazardous Waste Container at the Acton Arena this Saturday, April 23.

The container is designed to hold household products with the corrosive reactive symbol, such as batteries and cleaning products.

"Anything that falls in this category can be put in the bucket instead of throwing it in the gar-

bage," explains Lynn Johns, waste reduction coordinator with the Region of Halton.

"Toxics that go into the landfill create gases and toxins. We're trying to promote diverting these materials from landfill sites."

The container is similar to the recycling bin only in this case, the responsibility is with the individual. "We supply the bin; we supply the demonstration. All we ask is that you use the bin and when its full you bring it down to

the permanent Household Hazardous Waste Depot located at the Milton landfill site. There is no charge," adds Johns.

Most hazardous waste is recyclable, but it still needs to go to a secure depot. "Hazardous waste needs to be targeted," said Johns, "so we did a little research as a group and purchased the bins from Germany. This pilot-project will be studied after one or two years to see how viable it is. Are people using it? Do they like the bin? Are they becoming more aware of what household hazardous waste is?"

The Regional Municipality of Halton has also included alternative recipes to get away from buying chemicals, such as home-made window cleaner and pesticides. "We're promoting the awareness of household hazardous waste as well as giving people alternatives so they can start saving money and at the same time make environmentally-friendly products," said Johns.

Johns was also involved with the recycling igloo on Churchill Road. Since the project began last year, the igloo has been diverting approximately five tons of garbage from landfill sites each month.

Laidlaw Environmental Services donated \$25,000 to the Region to cover all capital costs associated with the household hazardous waste program, so there will be no cost to the taxpayer.

One hundred bins will be distributed to Acton residents on a first come, first served basis. The demonstration begins at 10 am till 4 pm and will include refreshments.



### OPENING NIGHT TOMORROW!

Michelle Lunau and John Paul Tamblyn take advantage of some last-minute rehearsal time before Acton High stages its *That's Life* musical tomorrow through Saturday. Some tickets are still available by calling 853-2920. (Doug Harrison photo)

## Branch 197 hosts town hockey banquet

### LEGION NEWS

There were three tables of bridge and 20 tables of euchre on Wednesday and Thursday last week. The winners were Mary Irwin, Colin Baker and Lil Howson for bridge. And Murray, Rita Kelly, Fred Johnson, Lillian Bonfield, Fred Smith, Stella Brunelle, W.J. McKnight and Claire Smith were winners for euchre.

On Friday night, trophies (by the dozen) were handed out to the winners of the different levels of Minor Hockey. Cal McIntyre and Kerwin MacPhail produced literally hundreds of hot-dogs for these aspiring future NHLers. John Toebes, of course, was in there as he has been for years, seeing that everything was being done just

right for his kids.

There was a good turnout for the meat draw and the Saturday afternoon 50/50 draw. Mary Watson won \$75 on the 50/50 draw and the winners of the meat draw were Marg Dunn, Bob Doyle (2), Earl Waller, Pat McDowell, Peggy Harris, Alison Willmott, M. Poirier, Barry Inscoe, Norm Carter, Al Campbell, Ernie Waller and Susan Hewitt. Shorty won a little prize — and the big roast too!

On Saturday, following the Ladies Auxiliary Fun Day, the very popular Karaoke drew a large crowd in the auditorium.

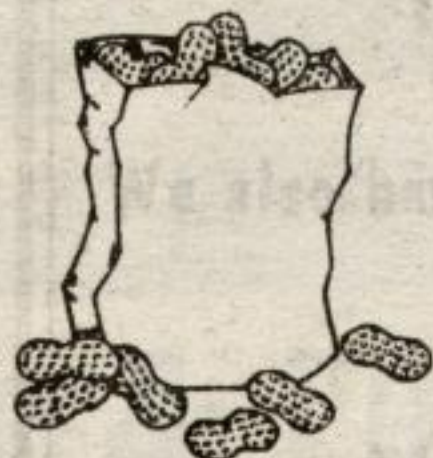
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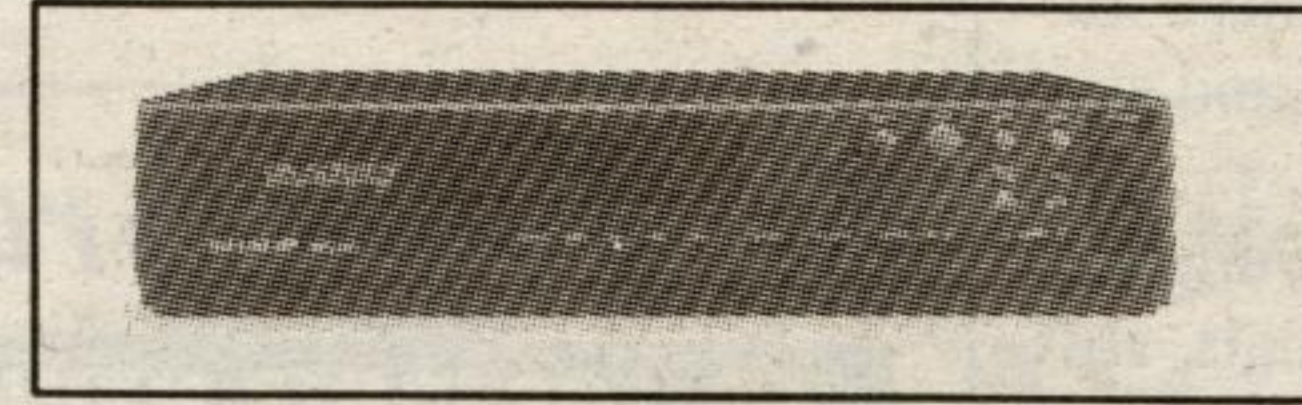


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### Spring training for young ball-players

Spring Training for Budding Blue Jays is a one-day event this Saturday at the arena. All aspects of play will be covered, providing young players with a great summer warm-up. Call Rec and Parks at 873-2600 for details.

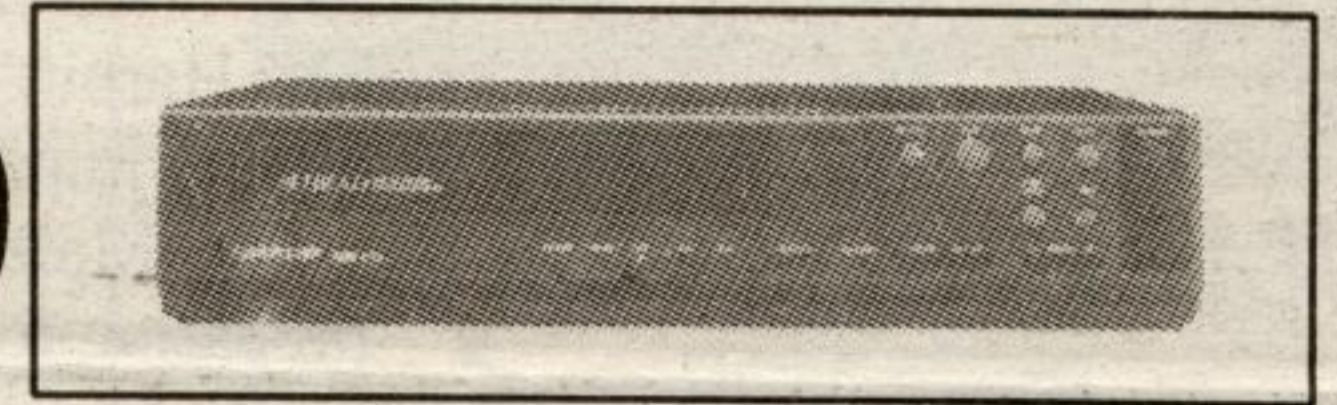
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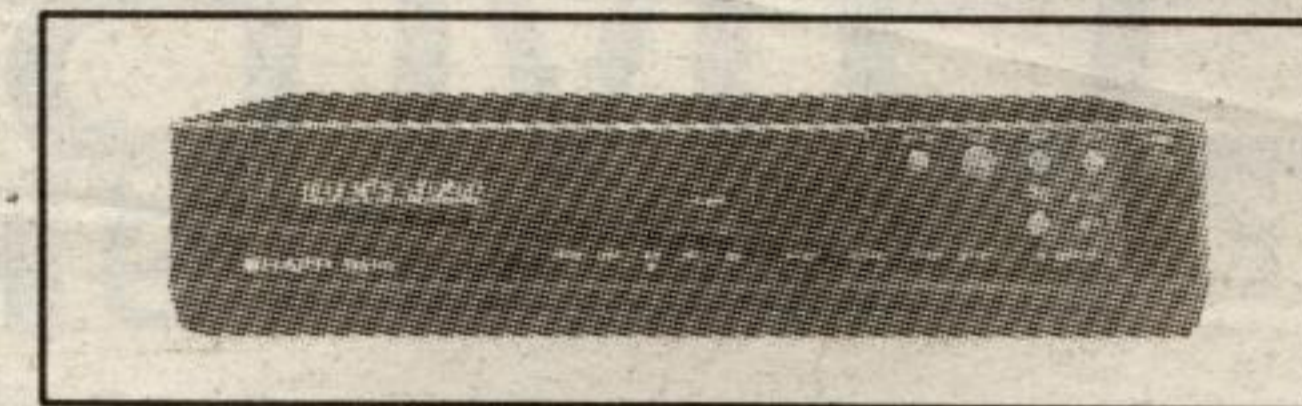
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