



**LAST DAY OF FREEDOM:** Children throughout Acton are back at the books after a two-week Christmas break. Enjoying a cold but sunny day last Friday tobogganing at Rotary Park are Ashly Bollert, 9 and four-year-old Tyler Bandy. (Karen Wetmore photo)

## Dump issue costs are 'obscene'

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"I don't think the provincial government of the day is willing to put a final lid on it. I think that there are always maneuvers that

the company can make, like this application to remove the land from NEC control, or an appeal to Cabinet," Elliott said.

The Town has spent more than

\$1 million, most of it in legal fees, to fight the RSI proposal — an amount Elliott said is obscene.

"This puts the Town under tremendous pressure at a time when we are watching every dollar that we spend. It's obscene what we've had to pay to fight this application, which is opposed by everybody except the applicant and its solicitors," Elliott continued.

Last month the Town spent \$10,000 to prepare to fight plans RSI submitted to take Metro Toronto's garbage. The RSI proposal did not make it to the short list being considered.



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### Animal lovers break into school

Some stuffed wildlife samples were part of the loot taken from Robert Little School last Sunday. Police responded to the school's alarm shortly after midnight and found two broken windows at the rear of the school.

By following the footprints made in the snow by the suspects, police were able to recover the items taken. In addition to a television and a VCR, police found a stuffed skunk, an armadillo, an iguana and a hawk in the snow. The stolen items are worth \$1,500, including the damage done to the school.

### Man charged with mischief

A Kingham Road man has been charged with mischief following an investigation into an incident which took place overnight between Dec. 23 and 24.

The man is charged with causing \$150 damage to a 1978 Ford pickup truck. The damage was to the driver's side door, which had been kicked in. A Feb. 2 court date has been set.

### Adult water fitness classes

Too much turkey over the holiday? It's time to make good on those New Year's resolutions. Join one of the many fitness classes offered by the Rec. and Parks Department.

Exercise is so much easier when it is done in the water. With water exercises you gently stretch your muscles using the resistance of the water to strengthen and tone. No swimming ability is necessary.

Classes in shallow water are offered at the Acton pool on Mondays and Wednesdays from 8:30 to 9:30 pm. Deep water lessons run Thursdays from 8 to 9 pm. Contact the Rec. and Parks department at 873-2600, ext. 275 for further details.

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I think mayors create a liaison between the Region and the Town. How can I be responsible to my constituents if I'm not on Regional Council?"

— Marilyn Serjeantson, Halton Hills mayor, Page 5

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