



TOWN OF  
**HALTON HILLS**  
*Working Together Working for You!*

### TEMPORARY CLOSURES

Certain Municipal Offices will close at 2:00 p.m.\* on Tuesday, December 24, 1996 and will remain closed until 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 2, 1997. These temporary closures accommodate the statutory holidays and realize some financial savings. We apologize for any inconvenience which this may cause you. If you require further information, please contact the Clerk's Office at 873-2600, during business hours (until 2:00 p.m. December 24, 1996).

\* Both Branches of Library are closed all day on December 24, 1996.

### SUMMARY OF CLOSURES:

#### CIVIC CENTRE

- general inquiries for Mayor's Office and all departments, including the following:
- birth and death registrations
- business and lottery licensing
- customer payments (e.g. taxes)
- marriage licenses
- building inspections and plans examinations
- zoning inquiries
- enforcement services
- parking ticket payments
- engineering services
- recreation program inquiries and registrations

#### SWIMMING POOLS (Acton and Georgetown)

- December 20 - January 5, inclusive

#### ARENAS

- \* Acton Arena
  - from 2:00 p.m. Dec. 24 - 26, inclusive
  - from 2:30 p.m. Dec. 31 - Jan. 1, inclusive
- \* Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena
  - from 2:00 p.m. Dec. 24 - 26, inclusive
  - from 2:00 p.m. Dec. 31 - Jan. 1, inclusive
- \* Georgetown Memorial Arena
  - from 2:30 p.m. Dec. 24 - 26, inclusive
  - from 4:00 p.m. Dec. 31 - Jan. 1, inclusive

\*REFER TO OPENINGS (below)

#### THEATRE AND CULTURAL CENTRE (877-7915)

- Theatre Box Office (877-3700)

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

- Administration
- Training, Education and Research
- Fire Prevention and Inspections

PUBLIC LIBRARIES \*REFER TO OPENINGS (below)

### THE FOLLOWING SERVICES WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR NORMAL OPERATIONS:

#### PUBLIC WORKS (873-2601, ext. 740)

- winter control activities

#### CANINE CONTROL (877-6235)

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

- Information (877-1133)

#### FOR EMERGENCIES:

FIRE/POLICE/AMBULANCE: Dial 9-1-1

#### PUBLIC LIBRARY

\* Acton Branch (853-0301) and Georgetown Branch (873-2681) will be open on Dec. 27 (10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.), Dec. 28 (10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) and Dec. 29 (1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

#### ARENAS

Contact the arena for specific holiday schedule of public skating:

- Acton Arena (853-0020)
- Alcott Arena (877-8488)
- Georgetown Memorial Arena (877-9612)

### BEST WISHES FOR A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!

P.O. Box 128, 1 Halton Hills Dr., Halton Hills (Georgetown), ON L7G 5G2  
Tel.: 905-873-2600 • Toronto: 416-798-4730 • Fax: 905-873-2347

## Tire recycler leaves town

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK  
The Acton Tanner

Neighbours of the former Ajax property are cautiously optimistic that their on-going battle to have the property cleaned up are over now that two of the tenants, tire recycler Tricity Services Limited, and a used car dealer have left, or are leaving.

The neighbours have complained over the years about the length of time it took the Town to respond to their complaints that the used-car lot was actually an illegal junk yard with derelict vehicles.

They also questioned why a tire recycling company was allowed in a mainly residential neighbourhood, although the land is zoned to allow that use. Both businesses complied with clean-up orders from the Town and Fire Department and no bylaw infraction charges were laid.

One neighbour, Lloyd Robinson, who in the past has been very vocal about the condition of the properties, said they are pleased, to a point, that the tire recycler and used car lot are leaving.

"Now it's up to the Town to make damn good sure that no more junk gets put into there and to make sure that

whatever does go in there obeys the Town bylaws."

"We had to call and call the Town and our councillors to get them to enforce the bylaws on these properties and clean up the mess - let's hope they keep a close eye on whoever comes in here next."

The properties are being held in trust by Freure Management, which has approval to build a small neighbourhood plaza on the land.

Mike Foley of Tricity Services said after four years in business he's moving his operation out of Acton because it's "immensely difficult" to do business here.

"The first day I was here somebody from the Town

jumped the fence to tell me that I couldn't recycle tires here, but I'd already checked to see what was allowed," Foley explained. "The property is zoned for industrial uses so I don't see how the neighbours can complain when I passed all fire department and Town inspections."

Foley said the several thousand tires remaining on the site will be gone before the end of the year.

Fraser O'Quinn, who rents the former gas station property for his Halton Hills Auto Recyclers company, said he is negotiating with an Acton businessman to transfer his used car sales licence to open a used car lot.

## Al-Anon can help

Special to The Tanner  
Holidays are supposed to be joyous, festive occasions - times that bring good food, good friends, laughter and happy memories.

But for families and friends of problem drinkers, the holidays take their toll. Celebrations are marred with worry, anger, resentment and fear.

If you are concerned about

someone else's drinking, Al-Anon Family Group can help you do something about it.

Give yourself the gift of Al-Anon. It is free and confidential. It is a special gift during the holidays, when families and friends of alcoholics are most vulnerable.

For help, call Al-Anon Family Groups at (416) 366-4072 or 1-800-443-4525.



## HALTON HILLS HOLIDAY COLLECTION NOTICE



### GARBAGE AND BLUE BOX COLLECTION:

- no collection on **Wednesday, December 25, 1996** or **Wednesday, January 1, 1997**
- collection will take place the day after your regular garbage day for the remaining days of the two weeks
- **Tuesday collections will not be affected**

### CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION:

- **one time collection only** (no other dates, times or drop off depots)
- **week of January 6, 1997** on your regular garbage day
- **remove** all decorations, tinsel, wire, nails and tree bags
- **trees must be curbside by 7 a.m.**

### 1997 WASTE MANAGEMENT CALENDARS:

- contact Halton Region if you do not receive your calendar by January 2, 1997 outlining all program information at:

Georgetown 878-8113 Acton (519) 853-0501 Streetsville 823-6720  
extension 6034

### COLLECTION PROBLEMS:

- Garbage: **1-800-330-0868** Canadian Waste Systems
- Blue Box: **1-800-561-1655** Laidlaw Waste Systems

*Seasons Greetings*