

## Bins may be removed

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Acton councillor Rick Bonnette, who championed the Igloo program for rural residents, said the wanton vandalism was a slap in the face to everyone who is working for a cleaner community.

"I still support the concept of a recycling program for rural residents but how much money are we supposed to spend to keep replacing these Igloos?" Bonnette said last Thursday. "But before I'd go

to bat for the whole program I want to know what the costs are to run it and replace the Igloos."

The Igloo program has an annual budget of \$150,000 and runs at a deficit. Rural residents can take their recyclable materials - 115 metric tonnes last year - to the Trafalgar Road works yard, the Regional landfill on Highway 25 in Milton or in Hornby on Steeles Avenue, east of Trafalgar Road.



**CALL ME CHIEF:** Eric Niblock, 5, enjoys tagging along on *The New Tanner* assignments with Mom, especially when he's told to make himself at home. Eric checked out pumper 12 at the Churchill Road station recently while local fire officials talked about a project to educate the public to pull over to the side if they see a vehicle with a flashing green light on the dash because it is a firefighter answering a call.



**ACT OF VANDALISM:** Days after the recycling igloos on Churchill Road South were burned, the area has been roped off and the recycling depot is of no use to anyone. - Ted Tyler photo

## Town can't rest on laurels

Despite a third place finish in the recent Ontario Road Safety Challenge, Halton Hills can't afford to rest on its laurels. With 1.8 collisions per 10,000 residents during the week of May 31 to June 7, Halton Hills had the fewest accidents in Ontario central region, but it was still too many for Halton Health Department spokesperson Maggie Connolly.

"We know the week-long education campaign did help reduce collisions but unfortunately the collision statistics for Halton Hills on a year

long basis are not good," Connolly explained recently.

A 1996 health department injury report showed that deaths from motor vehicle accidents in Halton Hills were twice what expected and the number of hospitalizations following collisions were 50 per cent higher than they should have been.

"We need to build on this success to make our roads safer and the Halton Injury Prevention (HIP) committee is working towards that with a risk reduction program," Connolly said.

Halton Hills Road Challenge chair Keith Black, who sits on the HIP committee, said he was thrilled with the

third place finish but was even more happy to see that the local community, the police, fire department, Town, Region, health officials and schools worked together on the road safety week.

"Everyone co-operated and pulled together to make the week a success," Black said, adding that he hopes the OPP seat belt Convincer will be on hand at Acton's Leathertown Festival on Aug. 9, so people can see what happens when they have a crash and don't wear their seatbelt. As well, a radar message board, which lets passing drivers know how fast they are going can be borrowed by local groups.

## Fair may use old arena

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sultant's report indicated that \$660,000 worth of repairs were needed.

Halton Hills Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson said she doesn't think that the Town can afford to keep the old arena, but is still willing to listen to suggestions about how it might be saved from

demolition.

"Personally, I'm all for preservation but when you come right down to it we have compelling needs all over the whole town and we don't have the money," Serjeantson said in an interview on Friday, adding that they are paying \$450,000 a year for the debenture for the new arena.

Serjeantson said a committee is looking into Town-

owned facilities and all of the competing needs, but could not say if the committee's report would be ready before the old arena was torn down.

"I guess that would depend on what other options there are. We can't leave an unsafe building and we don't have the money to fix it right and maintain it. If there's another solution that comes with this building then that's fantastic," Serjeantson said.

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On Friday afternoon we had a cruise on the *Empire Sandy*, a tall ship. We left Bronte Harbour and cruised out on Lake Ontario. It was lovely sitting on the deck, talking with folks, with a cool breeze and very little sun. They put up some of the sails and it took us back in time. It was a very worthwhile trip. The only motion we felt was when they came around to take us back in.

On July 15 we have a trip to the Shaw Festival in Niagara-on-the-Lake with lunch at the Legion. Phone the Centre for more details.

On July 23 we have a "Big Band Cruise" of the Toronto Waterfront on an historic paddle wheeler, *The Trillium*. Listen to the sounds of the big band era. We leave at 11:20 a.m. from the Seniors Centre and return at approximately 6 p.m. The cost includes the trip and a buffet lunch.

Our monthly euchres are over until September. See all you euchre players then.

Have a great summer. All our usual fun things will run during July and August. We are working on our fall newsletter now.