

GETTING SOME HELP: Mackenzie Lawlor asks for help on his art project from camp leader Shannon Still at the Junior Studio Art Camp in the boathouse at Prospect Park. The camp caters to kids 6-9 years of age. - Ellen Piehl photo

### Meade leads Price Check

Peewee

Michael Meade hit a natural double and a ground-rule double as Acton Price Check handed Kilbride a resounding 19-5 loss in a recent away game. Adam Burgess and Jamie McGhie were strong at the plate -Burgess also had four runs and one RBI and McGhie had three hits and three RBIs. John Hirlehey had two runs and four RBIs while teammate Krystl Egan had two runs and one RBI. Timmy Kirk had one hit and three RBIs. The play of the game came when Kody Killingbeck made a long running catch on a fly ball while playing third base.

# Police warn of counterfeit bills

Halton Regional Police Fraud investigators have noted a significant increase in the number of counterfeit Canadian \$100 bills in circulation in Halton Region and other areas.

Police said counterfeit bills are showing up at various retail outlets. They are urging merchants dealing in cash transactions to make their staff aware of this problem. They should take a moment to check all their currency with particular attention to Canadian \$100 bills.

Police have several suggestions to reduce the risk to retailers and consumers, who should examine paper currency that they receive during transactions.

 Compare a suspect note with a genuine one.

· The hologram on the \$100 bill fades from gold to green when viewed from different angles.

· Compare the quality of the paper, print and portrait on the notes.

· A genuine bill will have a number of small green discs (planchettes) which can be picked off leaving a white round circle. These discs glow under ultraviolet (black) light. Simulated planchettes are usually printed on. Attempts to pick them off damage the paper of a bogus note, which may also have a waxy feel to it.

· Check for raised printing on the genuine bill. The micro printing on the various parts of the bill should be crisp and clear. Counterfeit notes normally have flat print, blurred micro printing and a shine to them.

· On genuine bank notes the portrait is lifelike with fine detail, including microscopic concentric circles within the eyes. On the counterfeit the portrait generally lacks detail.

· Counterfeit bank notes

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often share the same serial numbers.

· If you are given a counterfeit bill, make note of the passer's description and, if possible, obtain a licence number. Call police immediately. Handle the counterfeit note as little as possible to avoid obscuring fingerprints on the bill.



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