



**THERE I AM:** Acton's Catherine Hynds (right) and Maureen Flynn check out pictures of Acton school children that are included in a millennium diary, a fund raising project of the University Women's Club of Georgetown. — Frances Niblock photo

## Apply now for hampers

Applications for the 1999 Christmas hamper program are now being accepted at the Salvation Army Family Services office at 120 Mill St. E., on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, also on Saturday, Dec. 11 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Applications for Christmas hampers must apply in person and provide identification. Deadline is Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1999. The Acton Christmas hamper program is a joint project of the Salvation Army, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Acton Rotary Club and the IODE.

## Search for hit-run car continues

Halton Police continue the search for a newer model Hyundai Accent that fled after striking an Acton woman as she crossed Mill Street on Friday night. The 52-year-old woman, accompanied by a 43-year-old man, was attempting to cross from Mill Street in front of McKinnon's Funeral Home at 6:05 p.m. when the westbound Hyundai struck the woman. The man attempted to pull the woman out of the way but the car hit her as it passed by. The teal coloured car, with tinted windows, was last seen on Church Street. The woman was treated in hospital and released.

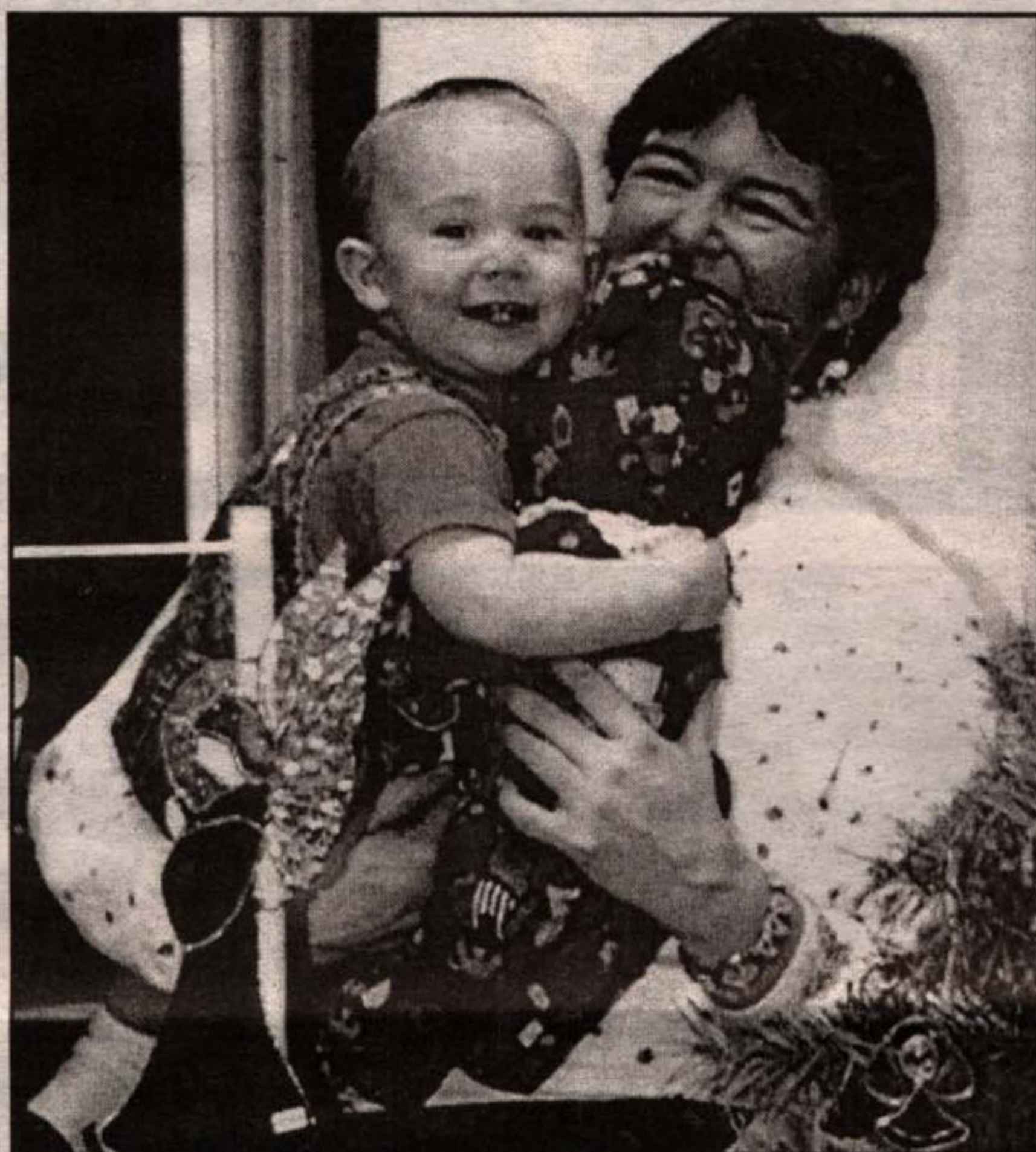
Witnesses, or anyone with information about the car, are asked to call Constable Mel Hannah at 853-5511, extension 2105.

## Tires taken

Three tires, valued at \$700, were stolen off a 1994 Ford Escort parked at Park Lincoln Mercury overnight November 14-15. The thief or thieves jacked up the car and took three tires before the vehicle fell off the jack and they fled, leaving the fourth tire behind.

## Van demolished

A 1988 Ford Aerostar van stolen from a Mill Street West house overnight November 14-15 was later found demolished at the Scotch Block near the Third Line. The van was located down an embankment and had been set on fire.



**BEAR HUG:** Hanna Dellaire, 11 months, hugs the stuffing out of a bear made by her aunt, Sandy Firth of Hillsburgh, who was one of the artisans at Saturday's giant craft sale at Acton High school. — Frances Niblock photo

# Concern over lake-based water for Halton Hills

By **FRANCES NIBLOCK**  
The New Tanner

Halton Region has pulled the plug on draft approved housing applications in Georgetown until a proven well water supply is confirmed.

When tests showed pumping from the next proposed well would harm a wetland, the Region deferred draft approval of subdivisions and infilling until an alternate source of water can be found. Draft approval gives the landowner the right to pre-sell and pre-service lots.

While the deferral jolted some property owners and developers, Halton's director of planning and development, Andrew Hope, said there's no crisis; there's abundant ground water and the search for another well is underway.

After a briefing on the freeze by Halton staff, Ward 2 Councillor Kathy Gastle said she was regularly asked by the public how the Region would deal with the pressures of lake-based water — the so-called big pipe from Lake Ontario — for Halton Hills.

"We're not looking to bring lake-based water to Georgetown," Hope said, adding the master water supply plan calls for a phased introduction of a series of wells to supply Georgetown.

Hope said they're cautiously optimistic they will have a new well pumping within two years.

"Having said that, we do feel caution is the operative

word. We don't want to get ahead of ourselves in terms of allocating scarce water capacity."

There's enough water service capacity available to enable registration of 96 per

cent of the potential dwelling units in draft approved subdivisions and Halton will allow subdivision registrations on a first come first serve basis, up to Halton's ability to provide water service.

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