

# ACTON FREE PRESS

Norval enjoys a merry  
Montgomery Christmas

Page 14



Christmas gift guide:  
holiday recipes

8-page section



50 cents (+GST)

Vol. 129 No. 37

Wednesday, November 29, 2006

52 Pages

Circulation 21,220

Voted Ontario's best newspaper

## INSIDE



Cousins' career  
taking off  
out west

Page 17



Legion honours  
Remembrance  
poster winners

Page 20

<b>Editorial</b>	<b>6</b>
Ted Chudleigh	10
<b>Sports</b>	<b>17-19</b>
<b>Calendar</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Entertainment</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Classifieds</b>	<b>29-31</b>

## FRIDAY...

Local councillors are seeking changes to the municipal election process in an effort to combat low voter turnout. See details Friday.

For breaking news go to:  
[www.independentfreepress.com](http://www.independentfreepress.com)



## Chong says 'non' to Quebec nation

LISA TALLYN  
Staff Writer

Wellington-Halton Hills MP Michael Chong resigned his cabinet post suddenly Monday over Prime Minister Stephen Harper's increasingly controversial resolution to formally recognize the Quebecois as a nation within Canada

Chong, 35, quit as intergovernmental affairs minister responsible for the unity file and now sits as an ordinary MP, which allowed him to refrain from voting for the resolution that passed overwhelmingly in the Commons

Monday night. Cabinet ministers were ordered by the Prime Minister to vote with him.

Chong, who also held the minister of sport portfolio, called the resolution "nothing else than the recognition of ethnic nationalism, and that I cannot support."

"I also believe that recognizing the Quebecois as a nation will provide the sovereignists with an



MICHAEL CHONG

argument that they will use to confuse Quebecers in any future debate on sovereignty," said Chong. "They will argue if the Quebecois are a nation within Canada, the Quebecois are certainly a nation without Canada."

"I believe in one nation, undivided called Canada," Chong said. "This is a fundamental principle for me, not something on which I can or will compromise. Not now, not ever. While I'm loyal to my party and to my leader, my first loyalty is to my country."

See CHONG, pg. 3



*Chimes were  
music to  
Victoria's ears*

Victoria Dale, 2, was dazzled by this set of chimes that were for sale at the annual Acton High School craft sale and show Saturday morning.

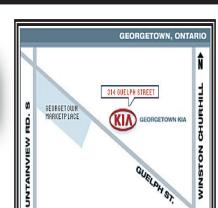
Photo by Sabrina Byrnes

**KIA** **Georgetown Kia**  
KIA MOTORS 1-866-364-2751  
The Power to Surprise™

314 Guelph Street (Hwy 7)

\*See dealer for complete details

**DRIVE AWAY  
FOR JUST  
\$99\***  
O.A.C.



WWW.GEORGETOWNKIA.COM

**REFINANCING?  
PURCHASING?**

**PRIME - .95%**  
Variable Rate  
**BOB WOODS**  
Mortgage Specialist

\*Rate subject to change

**Assured**  
(905) 877-1490  
350 Guelph St., Georgetown