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## FRIDAY...

For full details on the Georgetown Raiders-Burlington Cougars Jr. A playoff series check out Friday's *Independent & Free Press*.

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## Angelic behaviour

It's only February, but for the third year in a row, the Acton Angels are already in fundraising mode for the Weekend to End Breast Cancer—a 60-km, two-day walk set for September to raise funds for Princess Margaret Hospital. Plans are already under way for the April 28 Angel Dance at Acton Legion. Tickets will be available soon at a cost of \$20 per person. The Angels will exceed the \$100,000 mark this year having previously raised more than

\$42,000 in 2005 and approximately \$36,000 in 2006. On hand for last week's fundraising campaign launch were (clockwise from bottom centre) Fiona Brown, Shari Kravis, Annette Hartley, Tracy Brouwer, Cheryl Galway, Jane Allen, Cindy Gardener and Darlene Saunders. Absent Angels were Sharon Kostiloff, David Wiseman, and Joan Taffe.

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# Fight brewing over Province's growth plan

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Halton Region and its municipalities are sending a message to Premier Dalton McGuinty— don't send Halton any more people unless you send some money too.

Halton Hills council unanimously passed a resolution at Monday's meeting telling the Province, the Town, Region, and the three other Halton municipalities: "cannot accommodate the growth targets— 312,000 more people by 2031— in the Province's *Places to Grow Plan*" unless changes are made in provincial

funding programs to help build more schools, hospitals, fire halls, police stations, roads and transit systems— among other things.

Dubbed Fairness for Halton, it came about after Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette urged Halton Region Chair Gary Carr and his mayoral counterparts in Milton, Oakville and Burlington to send a strong message to the Province.

"It's time we pushed back. It's fine and dandy to have the bureaucrats in downtown Toronto coming up with plans like *Places to Grow* but there's a cost to it. Maybe it should be called the 'Places to Spend,'" said Bonnette. He

added that "we owe it to ourselves to question this, and not roll over and accept it" as the October provincial election approaches.

The councils of Milton, Oakville and Burlington will vote on the same resolution at their meetings while Halton Regional Council will endorse it at its March 7 meeting. Bonnette is also hoping that other GTA regions will follow Halton's lead.

There are no *Oliver* pretenders here: the Region and its four municipalities are backing up their "Please sir, we want more" with a well-laid out argument.

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