

# Sign left crippled



Georgetown resident and *Independent & Free Press* reader John Vandermeer sent us this amusing photo of a street sign left slightly handicapped after a snow-pow passed by on Trafalgar Road last week. If you have an interesting or unusual photo you'd like to share e-mail it to [jmcghie@independentfreepress.com](mailto:jmcghie@independentfreepress.com) with as much detail about the photo as possible. Please include a daytime phone number and the name of the photographer.

Photo by John Vandermeer

# Region urges Province to exempt municipalities from paying PST

The Region is asking the Province to give it, and all other Ontario municipalities, a tax break.

At its meeting last Wednesday, regional council passed a motion that calls on those at Queen's Park to fully exempt municipalities from paying PST, with the understanding that the savings would fund infrastructure requirements.

If the Province was to grant this wish, it would mean about \$2 million would be freed up in Halton's coffers each year.

Halton Hills Councillor Clark Somerville and Burlington councillors John Taylor and Peter Thoem all spoke out in favour of the motion.

"There's something absurd about one level of government levying tax on another," Thoem noted.

The Canadian government has already exempted all municipalities from paying GST.

The motion was put forward in support of a similar resolution recently passed by the City of Waterloo.

It will now be forwarded to both the provincial and federal governments, Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Federation of Canadian Municipalities and all Halton-area MPs and MPPs for consideration and appropriate action.

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## MUNICIPAL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

FEBRUARY 18, 2008  
STATUTORY HOLIDAY

### PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Acton Branch 519-853-0301

Georgetown Branch 905-873-2681

- The Halton Hills Public Library will be closed on Monday, February 18th, 2008.

Note: The Halton Hills Public Library will be open on Saturday, February 16, 2008.

### RECREATION & PARKS DEPARTMENT

- Regularly scheduled programs will be cancelled (i.e. registered swimming, fitness).

### Holiday programming schedule:

#### Gellert Community Centre

Leisure Swim 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.  
Family Swim 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

#### Acton Indoor Pool

Leisure Swim 1:00 to 2:30 p.m.  
Family Swim 2:30 to 4:00 p.m.

#### Acton Arena & Community Centre

Public Skate 2:30 to 3:50 p.m.

#### Mold-Masters SportsPlex

Public Skate 3:00 to 4:20 p.m.

Please note that regular admission fees apply for all swims and public skates.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

905-877-1133

- Halton Hills Fire Protection & Prevention Services will remain open with the exception of Administration.

### ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS

- Engineering and Public Works will be closed on Monday, February 18th, 2008.

### CIVIC CENTRE

- The Civic Centre will be closed on February 18, 2008.

### CANINE CONTROL 905-877-6235

- Halton Hills Canine Control Services is open for emergency calls.

### ACTIVAN 905-873-2601 Ext. 2617

- Halton Hills ActiVan Service will remain open on February 18, 2008.

### FOR EMERGENCIES

- FIRE/POLICE/AMBULANCE: DIAL 9-1-1

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For information or sample applications please contact  
Lion Doug Penrice at 416-991-7233  
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Award dinner to be held March 25, 2008.

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