#### Vehicles damaged

Halton police believe two similar incidents involving Acton vehicles on November 20 and 21 may be related.

In the first incident involving a 1994 Chev Cavalier parked at a Churchill Road South residence, the rear window

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of the vehicle was smashed, allowing access to the car.

The steering column and ignition were damaged, but nothing was stolen. Damage is pegged at \$500.

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Between 2 p.m. on the 20th and 2 a.m. on the 21st, the front passenger window of a 1986 Dodge pickup truck, parked at a McDonald Boulevard residence, was broken to gain access.

The glove box was rifled and the steering column was damaged, but nothing was

# Security guards stationed at home on Peel Street

By Frances Niblock

A court-ordered environmental cleanup is underway at a derelict Peel Street residence that has annoyed and worried neighbours and frustrated local politicians and staff.

The property is under control of the Office of Public Guardian and Trustee, (OPG) acting for owner Marion Gordon, who is in a Guelph nursing home.

The OPG was granted a court order to clean the bins and house before searching for and taking possession of

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valuables and documents. The storage bins have been on the front lawn since late August, put there by the owner's daughter, Nancy Gordon.

The OPG said tests show there is no health concern at the property, but would not release the actual results to the Town, which has filed a Freedom of Information request to try and get the information.

On Monday, TraumaCare Cleaning Service general manager Mike Maedel said they finally worked out all of the issues that delayed work and the cleanup is underway.

'The priority being to remove the bins from sight, just to, for the benefit of the neighbours," he said, predicting the bins will be gone within the next week.

Security guards hired by the OPG began 24-hour surveillance of the property at 5 p.m. on Friday, with instructions, according to two guards, to restrict access to police, fire and OPG officials and to call police and arrest anyone who tried to go on the property.

Police, who said there was a communication problem, allowed Nancy Gordon to stay in the house which has no heat or water, on Sunday night, but refused her entry again on Monday after determining the OPG access restriction was valid.

Frustrated with the lack of communication, the Town asked OPG officials to attend a meeting today (Thursday) with Regional health department staff, community support staff, neighbours and town bylaw enforcement staff.

Town CAO Dennis Perlin said the Town is confident they'll get a conviction for a zoning bylaw violation concerning the bins, but that process could take three to four months.

"So, the meeting on Thursday is to see if there isany way we can try and have these moved ASAP (as soon as possible) without going through the court procedure," Perlin said on Friday, adding the Town understands how frustrating the situation is for neighbours, but they have to follow due process.

"As a Town, we do not want the bins there, and we don't want the porta-potty there, and we don't think it's fair to the neighbours to have them there, but we can only do it (remove them) through court procedures.'

Neighbour Laurie Cunningham, who has been invited to Thursday's meeting, asked why the OPG won't release the test results

"What if there is mould there. They are spending so much money for guards they still haven't told me it's safe – what are they guarding?" Cunningham

## Community Christmas Service of Hope Friday, December 8th, 2006

at 7:30 p.m. St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

corner or John & Church Streets, Acton

followed by refreshments

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## No odour found

Acton firefighters were unable to find the source of an unknown odour reported at Denny's Insurance at 11:44 a.m. on Friday



Applications will be accepted at The Salvation Army Family Services Office 114 Mill Street East on the following dates.

Thursday, November 30th 9:00am - 12:00 noon

Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:00am - 12:00 noon

Tuesday, December 5th 9:00am- 12:00 noon

"Acton Christmas Hamper Committee"

The Salvation Army Family Services Lakeside Chapter IODE Acton Rotary Club

St. Vincent Charities of St. Joseph's

Applications must be completed in person Applicants required to bring ID.

