



**Clocks go ahead 1 hour March 9**  
also time to change smoke alarm batteries

# Town, CUPE, ratify contract

The Town and Local 73 of C.U.P.E. announced recently that a tentative settlement for a new contract was ratified on Monday, Feb. 11 by C.U.P.E.'s 46 members.

The new contract includes a 3% increase each year over the term of the contract, June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2010. Other items that have been increased include shift

premiums, safety equipment, benefits and mechanics tools.

The Town and C.U.P.E. Local 73 are confident that the new contract has been settled to the satisfaction of both parties. Mayor Rick Bonnette commented that Council is pleased the negotiations went smoothly and are satisfied with terms of the agreement.

C.U.P.E. Local 73 has 46 mem-

bers who are employed in Public Works a division of Engineering, Public Works and Building Services as equipment operators, skilled workers and parks maintenance workers and in the Recreation and Parks department as Facility Operators in the arenas. The salary increases in their contract reflect those received by other Town employees.

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**Acton High School's comedy night a hoot.**  
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**An Acton business celebrates 30 years in town.**  
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**Atom Chargers make it to Finals of Erie, Penn, Hockey tourney.** See page 12



**SPREADING THE WORD:** Eden Mills Going Carbon Neutral organizers presented their ideas, plans and progress to representatives of the Ontario Government and municipalities from all over the province at the Rural Ontario Municipalities Association's convention last week. Mayor Chris White, ROMA Chair, presented them with a congratulatory certificate in recognition of their achievements. From left are Libby Little, Charles Simon and Chris White. See more page 8 -submitted photo

## Midgets win on ice, lose in committee room

Acton's Midget BB Tanners took the best of five OMHA quarter final playdowns with Lincoln Blades in Beamsville with a win in game 5 in overtime. However, Lincoln protested the game to the OMHA maintaining the Tanners used an ineligible player and the OMHA

awarded the series to Lincoln.

The Tanners, their parents and supporters are furious about the decision. "The Tanners should never have been eliminated and parents on the team are doing everything in their power to bring this incident to the attention

of, not only the OMHA, but the OHF and Hockey Canada," said Gwyneth Cheeseman, mother of the Acton netminder.

Lincoln maintained that an Acton player who received two penalties in a game in Acton was automatically suspended for two games, not just

the one he missed. The OMHA agreed but the Acton team said a clerical error on the game sheet did not clarify the player in question should serve a two game suspension. Otherwise the player would have been benched for another game.

The Tanners also be-

lieved that the opposing team should have notified them before the deciding game if an ineligible player was on the game sheet as in the Ontario Hockey Association (OHA) rules, but apparently the OMHA has no such rule. More on this prickly situation is on Page 11 and Sports.

## March Break Lots for kids to do.

By Matthew Reid

Are you a parent stressing out about how to entertain your kids for a whole week while they enjoy March Break?

Don't fret the Halton Hills Parks and Rec department, and numerous other organizations, have got you covered.

The time off school for March Break runs from March 10-14, leaving lots of time to take a look at what Acton and Georgetown have to offer to the little ones.

The Acton Library always has fun and adventure to read about, but this March Break, the adventure comes alive with their weeklong theme of "Pirates Ahoy." Activities include contests such as guessing how many pieces of pirate gold are

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