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## Spring break

For all those not lucky enough to be down south on a warm beach, the next best thing is the best skiing in years at sites like Glen Eden Ski and Snowboard Centre. Here, snowboard enthusiasts Wes Calaguiro (left), 8, and friend Courtney Berezuk, 11, head off for a fun day on the slopes.

## Halton dwellers say they're happy with quality of life here

An Ipsos-Reid survey of Halton residents has found that more than 78 per cent of respondents are satisfied with the quality of life and services in the region.

That said, they also want regional gov-

ernment to focus its time and money on managing health and growth issues.

The research, an issues-based public opinion scan of Halton residents, was designed to assist the regional government in determining the content of its strategic plan.

Among the key survey results:

- Eight out of 10, or 78 per cent of respondents, consider Halton a desirable place to live.

- Ninety per cent of respondents are satisfied with the overall quality of services provided by the regional government.

- When asked to give their own views on the most important issues facing the region, 23 per cent of Halton residents cited education, 20 per cent said road-related infrastructure and 15 per cent said health care.

- Only 5 per cent of those surveyed indicated restructuring local or regional gov-

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## Police led on pursuit

Three 16-year-old Toronto youths were arrested early yesterday morning after Halton police were led on a car chase that ended in rural Milton.

Police allegedly found the suspects in possession of stolen vehicles from Brampton and Toronto.

At about 12:30 a.m., Halton police were called to a Bronte Street address where they found a Chrysler Neon with its ignition removed. Soon after, police observed two cars in the area and attempted to pull them over. One of the vehicles stopped but the other sped off, leading police on a pursuit to the outskirts of town.

The vehicle was found abandoned a short time later at Britannia Road and Eighth Line. The Halton police dog Justice and handler Const. Greg Casson were able to track down the third suspect.

Two girls are charged with possession of stolen property, possession of break and enter tools, and attempted theft and are to appear in Milton court April 12.

A third girl is charged with possession of stolen property, attempted theft, dangerous driving, causing a pursuit and breach of probation. She was to appear for a bail hearing yesterday.

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**Maplewood Veterinary Hospital is pleased to welcome back Michelle Reddy & Kristen Robinson.**

Michelle has come back as our full time groomer. She has been away at grooming school and has also won awards in competitions for her grooming techniques.

Kristen will be at our front desk a few days a week when needed. She has been away working at our sister clinics.

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