Massive auction at Halton Region Museum Nov. 5

Plenty of Christmas gift ideas at upcoming event

Malls will soon be filling with holiday shoppers searching for those perfect Christmas gifts for those on their lists.

Once again this year, the Halton Museum Foundation is offering a unique alternative to crowded shopping centres, with its third annual Hearthside Auction.

November 5 from noon to 4 p.m. at Halton Region Museum, visitors will have a chance to bid on more than 150 gifts donated by local businesses and individuals in live and silent auctions.

"This year's auction is a great way to find some really unique

holiday gifts," said Walt Elliott, volunteer chair of the auction committee and foundation member.

The auctions will take place in the newly-renovated Alexander Barn at the museum, which is located off Tremaine Road, in the heart of Kelso Conservation Area.

Previews of auction items will begin at noon, with the auctions getting underway at 1 p.m. The event will include live musical entertainment, wine sampling, light refreshments and door prizes.

Tickets to the auction cost \$10 each.

The day will kick off with two silent auctions, featuring items such as holiday gifts baskets and a limited reprinted edition of the 1877 Halton County Atlas.

The live auction will feature one-of-a-kind gifts such as a golf

package for four to Taboo Resort Golf Course and Conference Centre, a get-away at Winklewood Lane Bed and Breakfast, and dinner for six at the Harrop House Restaurant.

There are also gifts for kids and teens including a West Coast Choppers bicycle autographed by Jesse James, star of the TV show Monster Garage. Proceeds from the auction will go toward the Halton Museum Building Fund for the construction of a new artifact centre at the museum to house its more than 35,000 artifacts. More than \$130,000 has already been raised for this project.

Those interested can view the growing list of auction items at www.region.halton.on.ca/museum/newsevent.

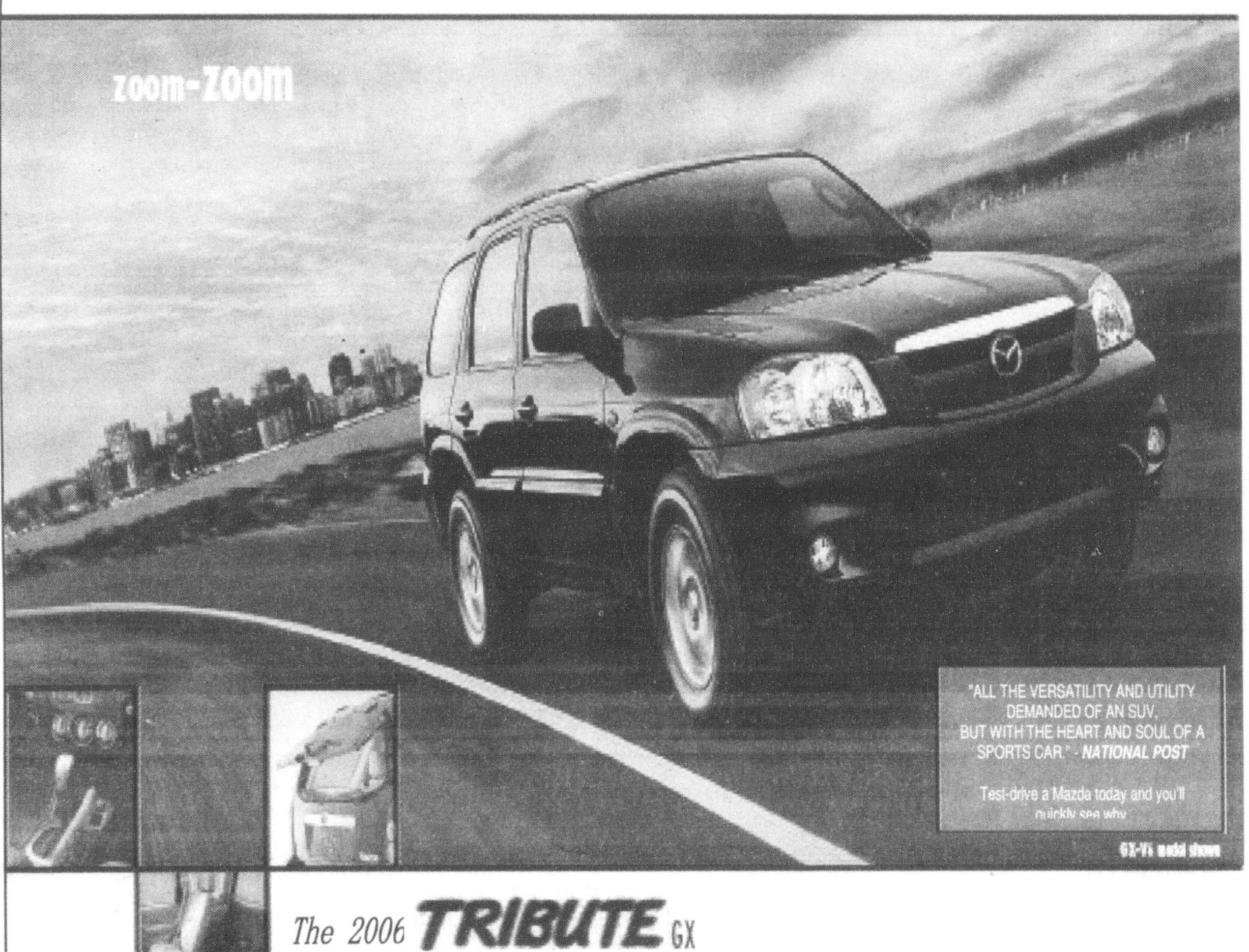
For more information, call the Halton Region Museum at (905) 875-2200, ext. 21. Companies interested in donating \$50 or more in products, services or gift certificates are asked to call Walt Elliott at (905) 876-3377.

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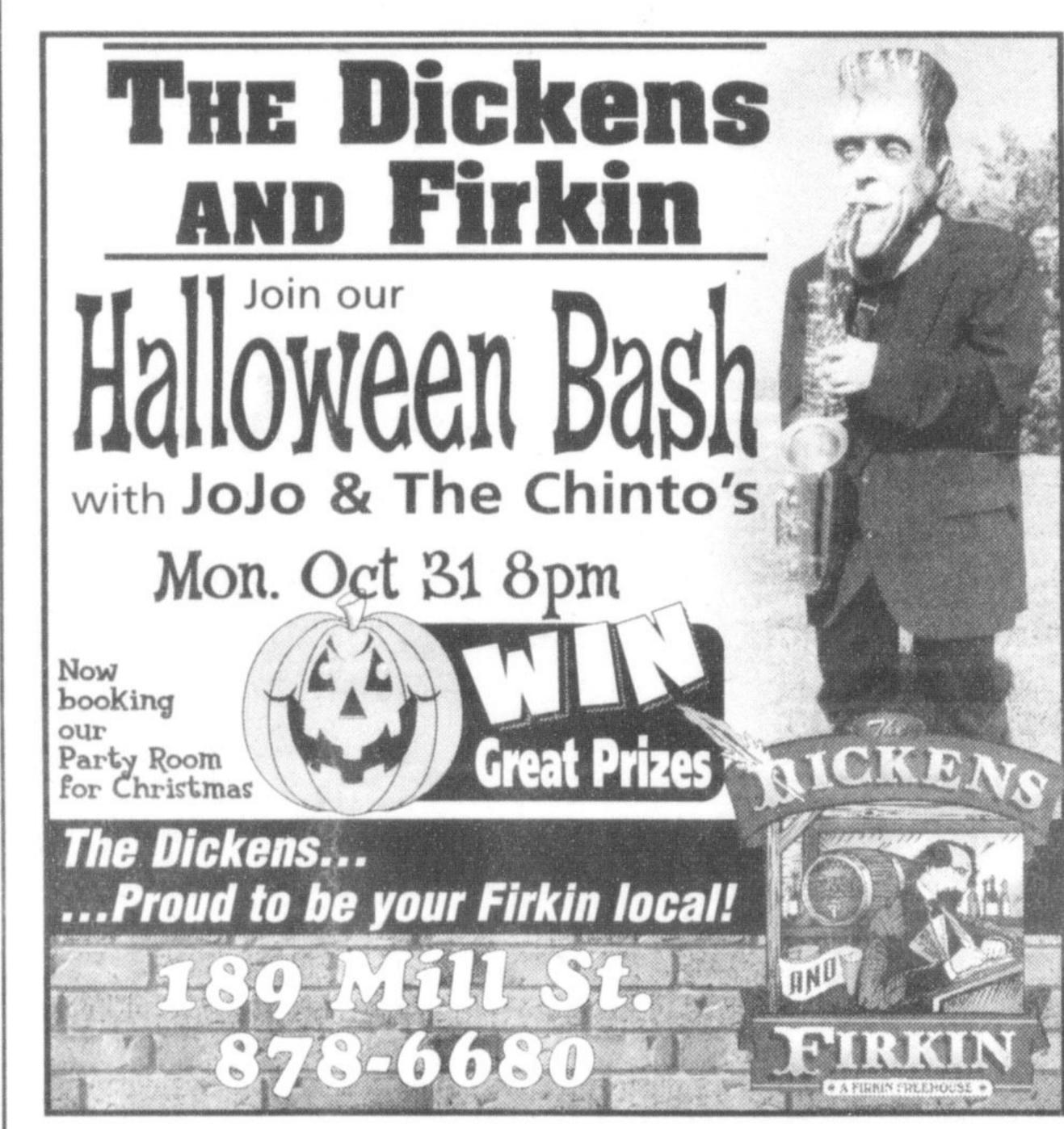
Volunteers needed to man kettles

Every year at Christmas time, dedicated volunteers with the Salvation Army stand next to donation kettles and count on residents' generosity.

However, there's an urgent need for people willing to man the kettles. The Salvation Army Kettle Program starts November 25 and runs until December 24, but volunteers are being sought now to lend a few hours of their time.

Volunteers are needed to work from Mondays to Saturdays.

For more information, call Rachel at (905) 875-1022 or e-mail her at rachel@khicommunity.com.



HALTON CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

REQUEST FOR TENDER # T05-04 SNOW & ICE CONTROL PROGRAM

Proposals, clearly marked as to the contents will be received by the Board until 12:00 noon. local time on:

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, 2005

Request for Tender documents may be obtained at the Purchasing Department, Administration Centre, 802 Drury Lane, Burlington, Ontario. L7R 3Y2. Documentation will be provided free of charge.

For any information about the proposal contact Alex Duffield, Administrator, Facilities Services, (905) 632-6300, ext. 172

F. W. Sweeny, Director of Education.



F. C. Crouchman, Manager, Purchasing Services