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## *Shopping*

### **Gear up for cold-weather fun**

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**B**etween skiing, hiking, skating and the multitude of other cold-weather sports, the next six months may be the best time of year to play outside. Here are some of our favorite “toys” for fall and winter. Unless otherwise noted, items similar to what you see pictured below are available at outdoor speciality retailers throughout the Capital Region.



▲ **These tech-friendly gloves** have fabric touch-pads on the index finger and thumb so you can use your iPod, iPhone, cellphone, etc., without freezing your fingers (or dropping your gloves off the ski lift), 180s Weekender glove, <http://www.180s.com> for store availability, \$40.