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Past presidents, secretaries and treasurers of the Georgetown Fall Fair gathered for the unveiling of a plaque honouring the 150th anniversary of the Georgetown Fall Fair. The plaque was originally supposed to be unveiled at the Fair in September but was beset by problems. (Jamie Harrison photo)

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#### More yard waste collections

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In order to divert more grass clippings and yard waste from regular garbage and make the public happy, the Town will almost quadruple the number of yard and garden waste collections to 15 next year, a move opposed by Ward 2 Councillor Kevin Kuiack who complained that the Town was "spoon feeding" urban residents at the expense of rural residents.

When Halton Region took over waste management the number of yard waste pickups dropped to eight from 14 and staff and some councillors had a "dramatic" increase in the number of calls from residents who missed the new pick-up days. Staff's suggestion was to go to a bi-weekly yard waste collection system running from April to the end of November at a cost of \$119,000, \$40,000 more than this year. After some debate councillors decided that yard waste pickup every two weeks during July and August is not necessary, but did support the bi-weekly schedule for the remainder of the period.

Kuiack said that he couldn't support spending the additional \$40,000 and that it "irks" him that there is so much inequity between urban and rural people when it comes to garbage collection.

"The rural people have had to be creative when it comes to getting rid of their garbage, but what we're doing with the urban people is we are spoon feeding them," Kuiack said, suggesting that if urban people don't want to use their clippings as natural fertilizer they should get rid of it themselves.

Staff noted that the tonnage of yard waste improperly being disposed of at the landfill site would be greatly reduced and the subsequent reduction in the tipping fee charged to the Town should more than offset the costs required to expand the yard waste collection program.

Ward 3 Councillor Moya Johnson noted that it costs \$74.50 to collect and dispose of one ton of yard waste, significantly less than the \$174 per ton charge for regular household waste.

"If we don't collect it (grass clippings) as yard waste, some people are going to hide it in their garbage and we'll be paying the higher fee to landfill it," Johnson said.

### NEWSSHORTS

#### Youth hit by car

No charges have been laid after an 11-year-old Georgetown youth was hit by a car on Mountainview Road.

Joel Larocque, 11, of Mull Gate in Georgetown South, was struck by a car driven by a Prince Charles Drive woman, Oct. 5.

According to police, Larocque darted out between cars on Mountainview Road near Summit Lane.

Larocque suffered a fractured skull and other injuries as a result of the accident. He was transferred from Georgetown Memorial Hospital to The Hospital For Sick Children in Toronto, where he is listed in critical condition.

#### Arrest in assault at mall

Halton Regional Police have laid charges against a 19-year-old man following an assault Oct. 1 at Georgetown Marketplace.

The man had been undergoing psychiatric assessment at Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital following an alleged assault Oct. 1 at the mall against a 48-year-old woman.

The man was arrested following his release from the hospital and taken for a bail hearing.

#### Narcotics charge laid

A 27-year-old Trenton man faces possession of narcotics charges following an arrest during the early morning hours of Oct. 10.

Officers from Halton Regional Police observed the man on Durham Street near McNabb Road, stopped and spoke to him. Further investigation revealed he had three bags containing a small amount of what appeared to be marijuana in his pocket.

A court date of Dec. 9 has been set.

#### Construction trailer entered

Police are investigating a break and enter at a construction site in Georgetown South.

Halton detectives were summoned when it was discovered that someone had entered a trailer situated on Eaton Street, near Miller Drive. Further investigation revealed that thieves had removed two phones, some refillable bottles of natural spring water and a quantity of utility knives, sometime between Oct. 5 and 7.

The value of the missing goods is about \$400.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Charlie Chaplin once entered a Charlie Chaplin Look-Alike Contest in Monte Carlo. He came in third.

#### Firearms transport procedure changed in Halton

Halton Regional Police Service has announced changes to the procedure which permits bearers of restricted weapons the right to trans-

port them from site to site.

Effective immediately members of the public requiring a Permit to Transport must apply to the Firearms Registration Co-ordinator, Firearms Office, at Halton Regional Police Headquarters, 1151 Bronte Rd., Oakville, (905) 878-4711.

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