

Water main cleaning continues

Halton Region's project to clean up the water mains in Georgetown is on schedule. Because the project is proceeding as planned, the second phase of the project will commence this week.

Starting today (Nov. 6) the cleaning crews will move to the area of Georgetown east of Mountainview Road, south of Guelph Street (Hwy. 7), and north of Silver Creek.

In the cleaning operation, the crews will be swabbing and flushing out the sediment in the water lines that run under the street. These are the water mains that carry drinking water into the homes and businesses of that area.

The project, with a budget of \$30,000, is designed to provide regular maintenance to the system. Once complete the cleaning probably won't be required again for another 10 to 20 years.

"This means cleaner, clearer water for the people of Georgetown," said Brent Marshall, Halton Region's Director of Environmental Services.

"We've been really pleased and impressed with the co-operation we've been receiving from the people of Georgetown while we're working on this job," Marshall said, adding, "We've asked them to put up with a bit of inconvenience while the work is on, and we appreciate the response."

Residents in the affected area are notified of when the work will be done on their street by a notice hand delivered to their homes or business. While the cleaning is going on, a large quantity of discoloured water is flushed out of the system. To avoid that water from entering the home, residents are asked to help out in the following ways:

Just before the cleanup, residents should draw off the water they'll need for daytime drinking and cooking;

They should not use any water or flush the toilet during the clean-up period, usually between 9 am and 5 pm on the scheduled day of

the clean up;

Residents should shut off their water softener;

When service is restored at 5 pm, residents should flush the water system until the water runs clear;

To flush your system, we suggest residents turn on the taps (cold water only) in their laundry tub or the tap closest to the water meter and the tap at the highest point in the home. This will relieve any air that may have accumulated in the pipes.

"We've got staff standing-by to answer customer ques-

tions and deal with concerns," Marshall said. "So far, the people who have called our hotline have been very interested in what we are doing and ready to help."

Georgetown residents and business owners can reach the hotline by calling Betty Young at 878-8113, Ext. 8145, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, weekdays. After business hours, calls are handled by an automatic service. Residents can leave their name and number and Halton staff will call back right away. Work crews will respond.

Boy struck on Halloween

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10,000 block of Sixth Line, Halton Hills.

An investigation by Halton Regional Police Service's Public Safety Unit determined that the Prevost vehicle, driven by a 26-year-old friend of the boy's mother, was traveling northbound on Sixth Line when the driver pulled the car over to the side of the road in the southbound

lane while still facing north. The vehicle had its hi-beam headlights on. An 18-year-old driver in a southbound vehicle apparently saw the Prevost vehicle in the wrong lane and swerved, attempting to avoid a collision with the Prevost vehicle.

In swerving, the vehicle left the road, struck a car parked in a driveway, struck Prevost, then collided head-on with the Prevost vehicle.

Investigators from Halton Regional Police said that the accident occurred in a rural area where there are no street lights.

There were no other injuries reported as a result of the accident.

The accident is still under investigation by Halton Regional Police.

Despite his injuries, Prevost was released from hospital late last weekend.

NEWS SHORTS

Theft from vehicle

A total of seven cassettes were taken from a 1989 Toyota parked at a residence on Main Street South sometime overnight between Oct. 26 and 27.

Police report that the passenger side window was smashed and the cassettes removed. The value of the cassettes and the repair to the window came to \$150.

Car damaged at church

A 15th Side Road resident returned to find someone had deliberately vandalized her car.

Police report that the car had been parked at a church on Trafalgar Road, Oct. 31, at 8:30 pm when someone apparently poured a quantity of a corrosive substance on the car, causing about \$1,000 to the paint.

Caught in the act

Impeccable timing saved an Eighth Line resident some headaches when his neighbours observed a suspicious character lurking about

The couple telephoned the neighbour who then came out to see what was going on.

According to police, an individual was in the process of removing a Kawasaki motor bike by walking in down the driveway to a vehicle waiting with the lights off. The homeowner shouted and the thief fled on foot to the awaiting car, leaving the motorbike.

The suspect is described as a male, white, 18-20-years-old, with dark pants.

The bike was valued at \$400.

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