

Police beat

Police are investigating a break and enter at a 152 Churchill Rd. South home in which \$150 worth of equipment was taken. According to police an electric saw and staple gun were taken sometime between April 9 and 11. Entry was gained through an unlocked door.

Police report a rash of car and home vandalism incidents in Acton over the weekend.

A beer bottle was thrown through the front window of a home at 8 George St. late Friday night, causing \$175 worth of damage.

The same evening, a car parked outside 21 Commerce St. received \$500 worth of damage when persons unknown broke the windshield, the driver's side window and the sideview mirror.

Sometime late Friday or early Saturday morning, a piece of a brick was thrown through the front windows of a vehicle parked at the corner of Church and Willow streets, resulting in \$200 in damages.

Late Saturday night or early Sunday, the left rear window of a car parked on Peel St. was broken. Nothing was taken, but damage was estimated at \$60.

A 48-year-old RR 1 Georgetown man has been charged with common assault after allegedly striking his wife April 6. Police say the man pulled his car up behind the vehicle she was driving on Poplar Ave. and struck her.

Police were advised last week of the theft of a ram hood ornament from a Dodge pickup truck parked outside the Acton arena. The ornament, valued at \$70 was stolen one evening in late March.



Kae Hall shows off some of the delicious baked goods that were on sale at the Baptist Church bakesale Friday. Proceeds from the bake sale are being used to help the church and missionary services.

Knox Alert

by Bella Maye Roszell

The Knox "Alert" Evening Group met in the Dr. A.C. Stewart Memorial Hall with Lillian McLennan opening the meeting with the Call to Worship. Wilma Coles, convener of the month, began the program with the quotation "I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, etc.", followed by the hymn "My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

Gladys Davidson read the Scripture, Hebrews 11:1-6 and Matthew 6:24-34, and Wilma gave a reading "Who Touched Me." The Hymn "Softly and Tenderly" was sung, followed with Prayer by Babe Roszell. Wilma gave another reading "Thoughts of Faith," followed by a solo "I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Love" by Gladys. The Hymn "Amazing Grace" and an Irish Blessing by Wilma closed the program. Lil took charge of the business, calling for the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports which were accepted. Babe gave a report of the WMS Presbyterial Annual meeting in Orangeville, which she attended.

It was moved by Gladys and seconded by Martha Toebes that the bills for the mirror and tablecloth be paid. Our Allocation for 1984 is \$717.50 for the General Fund, \$93.34 for the Supply Fund and 50 cents per member for the Expense Fund. Lil gave the Lamp report and Babe was to send invitations to all the Churches to an evening of slides by R.S. Hart. Plans were made for that evening and the Offering was received with Lil giving the Offertory Prayer.

The meeting was brought to a close with the Mizpah Benediction followed by a delicious lunch.

Obituary

Ivan Harris

Funeral service was held March 30 for Ivan Matthew Harris who died March 27 in Milton.

Mr. Harris was born on June 3, 1898 in Carlyle, Ontario. He lived at 75 Bower Ave. for 44 years before moving to Halton Centennial Manor seven years ago. He was a member of the Walker Lodge, Acton Legion, the Golden Age Club and was an honorable elder for Trinity United Church.

Mr. Harris was predeceased by his wife Ethel Simpson, daughters Rita Harris and Freida, (Mrs. Tom Perkins), and a brother Roy. Left to mourn his loss are daughters Mabel (Mrs. J.W. McCreery), Peterborough, and Jean (Mrs. Kerwin McPhail), Acton; and a son Ivan (Merl) Ottawa; brother Morley and sisters Mona (Mrs. Lyons), Dundas and Idella (Mrs. Roy Laking) Freeton.

Rev. Don Matheson officiated at the funeral at Shoemaker Funeral Home. Representatives of the Walker Lodge attended. Interment was at Ebenezer Cemetery. Pallbearers were Craig Perkins, Bob Lazenby, Ken Cole, Kevin Perkins and George and Bruce McPhail.

Vehicle costs under budget

The Town's obtaining better trade-in allowances than expected so tenders for works department vehicle purchases are coming in under budget.

A new snow plow was expected to cost \$60,000, but the lowest of three tenders was for \$55,538. McLeave Truck Sales of Brampton beat out Terrace Lincoln Mercury and Colony Lincoln Mercury in the bidding.

A four door crew cab tender came in at \$9,546.19 when the budgeted amount was \$13,000. Capital Ford beat out Park Lincoln Mercury on this tender.

Neither tender for a station wagon fully met specifications and will be readvertised. Both of the firms which did tender can submit new bids.

In the case of a backhoe purchase, only two tenders came in and the price varied by 49 per cent so this will be re-tendered also.

Only one tender was received to supply the Town with a tree chipper. New tenders will be called on this piece of equipment too.

Fire call cancelled

A fire call to 10 River St. Thursday night at 6:20 p.m. was cancelled before volunteers got to the scene. Fire chief Bill Cunningham didn't have a record as to what type of fire the volunteers had been called to.

Clergy Comment

Rev. Don Matheson

THE TRIUMPH OF EASTER

For you
came I
to this
hour.
This
brown

is pierced with thorns because I chose
this way that you and all your friends
might tread it well without fear

because
the Son
of God
out of
a love
for you
took on
your
sins
and on
this
hail
laid
down

his life to struggle with the
powers to death to make you free.
We go now, to walk these three days
with the cross of Jesus in our minds and hearts.

\$7,060 budget for Acton's works yard

The Acton works yard may not be the hub of the Town's works operations, but it still has a small budget.

The Town has earmarked \$7,060 in the recently approved 1984 budget for the Acton works yard.

Among the expenditures is \$3,280 for water, heat and hydro, and \$650 for cleaning, repairs and maintenance and supplies.

Retardation week

Mental Retardation Week in Halton Hills is May 6 to 12. Halton Hills council passed the proclamation, requested by the North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded, Monday night.

Snow says no to more signs

There will be no more signs on Highway 401 directing drivers to Acton or Georgetown, Minister of Transportation and Communications Jim Snow has ruled.

Councillor Rick Bonnette had suggested signs similar to a new one put up on Highway 401 for Milton be put up for Acton and Georgetown. The Milton sign gives directions to that community's business district and Bonnette thought similar treatment for Acton and Georgetown would boost business and tourism.

However, Snow not only said no but he also gave a hint that signs currently on Highway 401 giving directions to Acton and Georgetown aren't permanent.

The minister noted neither Acton or Georgetown are incorporated municipalities but part of Halton Hills.

"Currently, my ministry is using discretion as opposed to policy by allowing the

existing directional signing for Acton and Georgetown to remain on Highway 401."

There are four signs for Acton and Georgetown on Highway 401 at each of the two interchanges, Snow noted, adding this is "only a temporary condition. As time goes on, I am sure you will appreciate this reasoning becomes very weak."

Bonnette said he was disappointed, but on a brighter note at least Acton was back on the map.

Noting Snow's warning, Councillor Mike Armstrong urged the matter be forgotten, "let's not bite the hand that feeds us."

Councillor Pam Sheldon observed that what else could be expected from a minister who a few months ago said people are happy with their roads, when they certainly aren't here. At a convention of municipal officials a couple of months ago Snow said Ontario residents don't put a high priority on roads anymore.

Harts show slides of Middle East

On April 1, members of the different churches in Acton met in the Dr. A. C. Stewart Memorial Hall for an evening of slides by Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Hart, sponsored by the Daughters of Knox and the "Alert" Evening Group.

The program was opened with the hymn "Nearer My God To Thee", followed by a scripture reading by Rene Watson. The slides, along with commentary, were of a trip taken by Mr. and Mrs. Hart to Israel and other holy places and were very interesting and very much in keeping with the Easter Season.

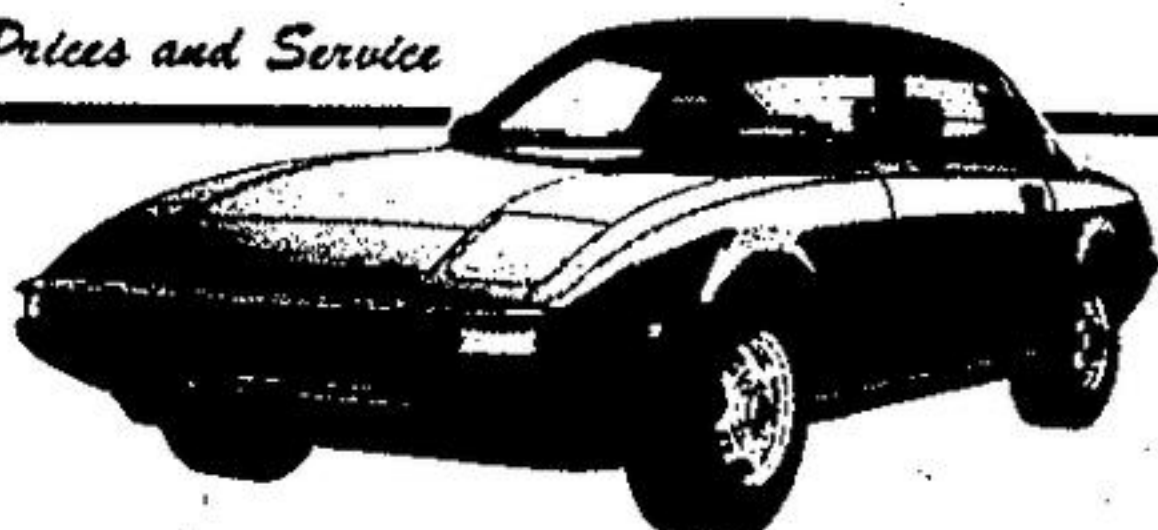
Mr. and Mrs. Hart were presented with a small gift in appreciation of their sharing

their experiences with us. The offering which went towards the Knox College Restoration Fund, was received and Lillian McLennan gave the offertory prayer. The Hymn "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" and the Mizpah Benediction brought the evening to a close and refreshments followed.

Correction

It was incorrectly reported last week that Paul Forbes is applying for a rezoning in the Crewsons Corners area. It is Peter Forbes who has applied for the rezoning. The Free Press regrets the error.

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Canada Trust is pleased to announce the appointment of Ken Alger as Manager, Halton Hills (Georgetown) branch. Concurrently, John Edger, manager for the past 17 years, takes on a new assignment as a Canada Trust real estate representative.

Both Ken and John are located at Canada Trust, Main at James. Drop in soon and chat over coffee.



TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

NOTICE

All refuse normally picked up on Friday, April 20, 1984, will be picked up on Thursday, April 19, 1984.

Commercial refuse will also be picked up on Thursday, April 19, 1984.

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