

Rape: Watch out for your next door neighbour

"It's usually good old Uncle Charlie, the nice man next door or that nice boy down the block not the psychopath who is responsible for the majority of rapes today," began Sgt. Al McQueen of the Halton Regional Police youth and family service department at last week's rape forum sponsored by the Georgetown and District YWCA-YWCA.

Dr. Boyd Hoddnott, one of the five panelists added "it tends to be family friends, or a mother's second husband or a common-law husband or even the father. A psychotic rapist is rare."

Panelist Johan McMillan, a

partner in the law firm of Helson, Baines, Bellegem and Steele, termed Canada's rape laws as "inadequate". She explained that the present maximum penalty is life imprisonment. This often makes jurors reluctant to find a man guilty for fear that the judge might pronounce a life sentence.

"Also, proof beyond a reasonable doubt without a witness is not necessarily safe evidence. It's an added restriction," said Miss McMillan.

Moderator Diane Goodwillie of the University of Guelph, felt that often women are too

smug and too self-confident. "Women think that they live in a fairly safe community and that this type of thing doesn't happen," stated Miss Good-

willie. She added that it is these thoughts and beliefs which result in carelessness on the women's part.

Janet Freedman of the Rape

Crisis Centre in Toronto pointed out that in the first year of operation the centre received 200 callers who had been raped. This year there

have, so far, been 400 callers and she expects the total to reach 500 by the end of the year.

"What we offer women is a

chance to talk and often that is all they need, to have someone to talk to and to get it out of their system. We never push women to contact the police, however we do push them to have a complete physical examination," explained Miss Freedman.

She continued to say that some police divisions in Toronto do not give the rape victim much help and that women who are afraid of the police investigation will naturally not notify them. It was this type of misunderstanding of police roles which Sgt. McQueen stated as being "completely wrong".

"So many people think we are callous dirty old men. It's often difficult for a policeman to come out as a nice understanding, fatherly figure. You can't just say to the girl, if you were raped just nod your head. We have to get the facts and we have to get them correct. In all probability the questions asked by the investigator won't be as tough as the ones which will be asked in court."

Dr. Hoddnott added that a woman must also have a complete physical examination done legally and properly in order for the evidence to stand up in court.

"Whatever you do if a rape occurs, don't change, wash or try to pretty yourself up for father McQueen. If you do so, you will be destroying necessary evidence," urged Sgt. McQueen.

Sgt. McQueen also explained that, if possible when a woman is attacked she should try to keep a level head. Panic only causes confusion and often fear only stimulates a psychotic because he gets his kicks from inflicting pain and fear on the victim.

Miss Freedman however advised that a woman should "fight like hell."



PANEL OF PROFESSIONALS. The Georgetown and District YWCA-YWCA held a rape forum which attracted over 10 interested men and women. Guests who made up the panel were (left to right) Dr. Boyd Hoddnott; Johan McMillan, with the law firm of Helson, Baines, Bellegem and Steele; Sgt. Al McQueen of the Halton Police youth and family service department; commentator Diane Goodwillie and Janet Freedman of the Rape Centre.



MINIATURE SCARES. Students of Harrison Public School judged the tinier scarecrows entered in the scarecrow contest open to all the students in the school. There were over 100 entries in the contest.



DIANNE'S SCARECROW. After five days of work Dianne Wagstaff, a Grade Five student of Harrison Public School, completed and entered her scarecrow in the scarecrow contest held at the school.



A FRIENDLY FACE. One of the friendlier looking scarecrows attracted a number of students of Harrison Public School as the students judged the over 100 entries in the scarecrow contest.



IMPERIAL SECTION INSTALLATIONS took place recently at Branch 120. The new executive includes (back row, left to right) Sgt.-At-Arms, Ray Clarke; first vice-president Tom Clarke, (front row, left to right) past president, Alex Goldie; president, Wright Smith; and executive, Harry Bottoms. Missing is Jimmy Randall.

Legion honors



THE WINNING COLOR PARTY at the District Legion Convention held recently in Oakville came from Georgetown. Members of the party were (back row, left to right) John Beattie; Greg Ball, Zone Parade Marshal; Pat Chamberlain; Bob Waites; Ernie Peasey; (front row, left to right) Ladies Auxiliary members Jessie Johnson, Mary Russell, Sgt.-At-Arms, Marg Clarke and Nancy Paterson.

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No more self-serve stations for 3 months

The advantages and disadvantages of self-serve gas stations are going to get a close review by Halton Hills subsidiary planning board over the next three months before any more self-serve gas bars in the Toronto and Hamilton areas came last week as planning board discussed two proposed plans by Fina and BP to convert existing service stations in Georgetown to self-serve gas bars.

Dennis Morton presented Petrofina Canada's plans to convert the Fina station on the northwest corner of Guelph Street and Mountainview Road to an eight-pump self-serve facility.

On behalf of BP Canada Cecil Engel provided plans to switch the recently constructed BP gas bar and car wash at 259 Guelph to a self-serve operation.

Once the changeovers are completed both spokesmen noted the stations would be operated by the respective companies instead of by local owners.

Halton Hills has taken a "wait and see" stand on self-serve gas bars right from the start in handling requests by companies to switch over.

One of the first requests to change over a Guelph Street independent station was granted in order to provide a first-hand opportunity to examine a local self-serve operation.

In September of 1974 a two-year moratorium was placed on any further requests while studies were carried out, but that was later waived to allow a Texaco station on Guelph Street to change over to self-serve on the condition that service facilities at the station be maintained.

Councillors at last week's planning board meeting expressed some doubts as to the usefulness of self-serves. "I thought there were going to be some financial savings at these self-serve stations," commented Councillor Pat McKenzie. "But I see in Milton two self-serve stations that are selling gas two or three cents

higher than a station in Acton. What kind of financial savings are there?"

"People using service stations should have both the services of the gas station and the benefit of the service to their vehicle," added Councillor Harry Levy. "After all, they're called service stations."

In requesting a three-month study Councillor Ric Morrow explained that "If we do approve these proposals then we can't get them turned back. Now is the only chance we're going to get to carefully look at the entire situation."

It was pointed out that Toronto is currently in the midst of changing its bylaws to permit self-serve gas bars. "Let's find out why," said Councillor Morrow.

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