

**'Policing as we know it is not successful,' Harding tells commissioners**

# Chief would put half police on prevention

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If the police chief has his way, half the Halton regional force would be made up of crime prevention officers.

have half my staff in the patrol unit working on responses and the other half on prevention," Chief James Harding said.

The force currently has three constables and one sergeant working on crime prevention. Const. Scott Pringle is the Halton Hills and Milton crime prevention officer. Chief Harding told police commissioners last week that crime prevention officers have significantly reduced crime in Halton. He said their efforts reduced house-breaking by 37 per cent in Oakville.

He was referring to the fact that the chief's five-year plan for the force, introduced at the meeting, didn't make any specific mention of increased crime prevention programs or staffing.

Crime prevention officers encourage Neighborhood Watch and Operation Identification programs as well as helping residents improve home security.

Crime Prevention Sgt. Peter Whittaker said young men and women picked up for break-ins tell detectives they weren't necessarily trying to break into a particular home or business.

There were 2,500 reports of break-ins last year in Halton, he said. Although it's difficult to directly link the work of crime prevention officers to statistics, Sgt. Whittaker noted break and enters reported to police last year went up only 1.3 per cent. He compared that with over 20 per cent in Hamilton.

Crime prevention officers also work with architects, giving advice on how not to make new buildings an invitation to criminals. They can be involved in social planning in the region and in media relations, giving advice to encourage security and safety among residents.

He said police have a long-term crime prevention program in mind that has not yet been reduced to written concept. Judge Joseph Scime asked the chief to prepare a five-year crime prevention program for the commission.



**ASTRO  
ADVICE**

by Eugenia  
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## Choose your friends wisely

Dear Eugenia,  
My son was born Sept. 20, 1980 (Saturday) at 11:30 a.m. in Brampton. Could you please write me and tell us what the future beholds for him.

Thanking you very much in advance,  
Curious Mother

Dear Curious Mother,  
Your son is a Virgo by sun sign, making him somewhat meticulous and efficient. He will pay a great deal of attention to detail and will do things carefully. He'll be able to bring order out of confusion because of his dedication and perseverance of duty. "A job worth doing is worth doing right" will be his life's motto.

He will go out of his way to help his friends and family. His admiration for material progress will enable him to do well in obtaining a good position in society. Although he has physical toughness and resistance he must learn not to exhaust his body energies by worrying or overworking as this could result in problems with nervousness and digestion.

He will be friendly to all in an impersonal way and will seek freedom of emotional expression and demand to come and go as he pleases. He will join groups and organizations concerned with human relations and psychology.

He'll be considerate in communication and stern where principles are involved. Being highly sensitive to odors, personal appearance and mannerisms of others can make him somewhat critical.

He is a lover of life, making him theatrical in behavior and giving him an ability in painting, sculpture and other art forms. His all-or-nothing attitude can make compromising difficult and can cause intense anger, resentment and an ability to make mountains out of molehills. He could do well in such fields as medicine, health research, science or record keeping.

Your son appears to have musical and artistic talents. However, this aspect also indicates in his particular chart that he will gravitate to peculiar relationships and it may cause confusion, self-delusion and unreliability at an emotional level. He must also be extremely cautious where drugs and alcohol are involved and should avoid people that overindulge. If he is taught to choose his friends wisely and that moderation is the key to a happy existence, he'll do just fine.

Write to Eugenia at  
The Herald, 45 Guelph St.  
Georgetown, L7G 3Z6

Dear Eugenia,  
My little girl was born Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1980 at 7:27 p.m. our time in Guelph. Would her birth chart indicate any special talents that should be encouraged or any special problems that should be prepared for?

Thankyou very much.  
Sincerely,  
An interested parent

Dear Interested Parent,  
Your little girl is an Aquarius by sun sign only, as her chart indicates a predominance of the sign Virgo. Friendship and companionship are extremely important to her. She has a very vivid imagination and is quite intuitive enabling her to tune into the thoughts and moods of those around her. This can also result in nightmares and must be handled with understanding and caution.

Her strong sensitivity and sympathy will bring her popularity. However, she must be careful because some will take advantage of this quality. At times you will find her quite headstrong and unwilling to tolerate interference from others. Cleanliness and order will be of great concern to your little girl as she grows older. She appears to have a strong emotional tie to home and family. Someone or something in her environment could be unusual. She can be quite determined, stubborn and annoyed if someone fails to understand her.

Although she wishes for material possessions she is not greedy. The possibility of family interference with social and romantic affairs is apparent in the future which can result in her leaving home at a young age if not handled carefully. She is capable of planning her actions and executing them systematically.

Her chart also indicates that she could have a tendency to exaggerate and take on too much at an emotional level leading to arguments and discord in relationships. Proper attention to dietary habits will be important and she tends to run high fevers when she gets sick. However, not to worry, she can handle it.

Your little girl will take great pride in her work however she will also demand outward gestures of appreciation. Her chart indicates that she is open to new and unusual ideas and may at some point be involved in the communications media, performing arts, or possibly writing children's books or poetry. She will also have an ability and fondness where animals are concerned throughout her life.

## Force seeks bolstered staff as part of long-range program

The Halton regional police force's new five-year plan asks for 12 more staff next year.

Police Chief James Harding said the additional staff is required for two new programs he wants to finally see begun in 1983. His requests for a five-person traffic squad and a three-person fraud squad were turned down last year.

Chief Harding also asked police commissioners last week for an additional constable or civilian, a switchboard operator and a desk clerk for the planning and research bureau and an Employee Assistance co-ordinator.

"This does not represent a significant increase in manpower," the chief wrote in his report. "Especially when you consider that a review of the facts and figures gathered for the Ontario Police Commission during July, 1982, Manpower-Calls for Service Study, indicate that approximately 40 per cent of the available patrol resources are lost to a series of factors ranging from sickness to weekly days off, before we commit any of the remain-

ing resources to respond to calls for service. HOW AFFECTS "You can well imagine how this affects operational efficiency and retards our attempts to develop meaningful standards of professionalism within the force."

"This is not a document carved in a pillar of stone. It is a flexible document," Chief Harding said.

Among the 1983 goals and objectives were 1982 goals that weren't met, like improved accommodation at the Milton police station to house traffic and fraud investigation squads, roll call training, the design and building of a new police station for Burlington, a buildings needs study, developing computer software and implementing systems design and an employee assistance program.

## Hallowe'en plans

**SICK LIST**  
Anne Collins, Sam Glsby, Ray Harley, and Mrs. Theresa Harrison all in Georgetown Hospital. Gretta Stoddard in Brampton Hospital. Ken Johnson in Chedoke McMaster Hospital in Hamilton.

Oct. 16, 1982 Cribbage, Nov. 13, 1982, Shuffleboard, Oct. 30, 1982, Euchre, all to start at 1:30 p.m. To the winning team the prize will be \$40.

Winners of the turkey shoot are: Winn Telford, Ted Smith, Ray Pinkney, and Joe Poirier. Ticket winners were Sharkey No. 593, A. Zillio No. 603. In the penny jar for the mentally retarded there was \$50.40 plus one built-on. The closest to this number was \$50.36 by Harry Doanes. Congratulations.

Edna says thanks to everybody for your help and donations. Branch 120 thanks Edna and Al for their donation and Winn Telford for her help.

Membership and initiation night Oct. 15, all new members please attend with your spouses. Please be at Branch 120 at 6:45 p.m.

On Oct. 23 - air cadet elimination dinner and dance. For tickets contact Joe Poirier or Bill Moore.

Oct. 30, Imperials Halloween Dance, please come in costume. Arrow is the entertainment, hot meal provided. Entertainment will be provided in the lounge

**LEGION LINES**  
By GREG BALL 877-3985

weekend. Two members, I.F. Varey and George Alcott had a disastrous fire in which they lost everything, and their home was burnt to the ground. Com. Alcott was in France on the Vimy Pilgrimage at the time.

Quite a unique ceremony took place that year with the "burning" of the mortgage (\$550.00). This was made quite a ceremony, each member taking a piece of the mortgage and dropping it into the flames in the fireplace. The fact that was then sweeping the country, "Bingo" caught on in the Branch and the fore-runners of the bingos still held today, began.

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