

Yule scams abound, BBB cautions

Herald Special
Canadian consumers can expect to be misled of an estimated \$13 million this Christmas through a variety of scams, Paul Tuz, president of the Better Business Bureau warned recently.

"With little time left before Christmas, we are seeing an increased number of phony operators going full tilt, exploiting people at a time when they are most vulnerable," Mr. Tuz said during an address to Rotary Club members.

Focusing on the practice of phony charities, Mr. Tuz pointed out that current depressed economic conditions are having a particularly detrimental effect on legitimate charitable organizations who, with consumer confidence at an all time low, are having to wage a fierce battle to generate revenues needed merely to maintain their existing programs let alone to expand their charitable efforts.

"Unfortunately, phony charities are cutting into a market where bona fide groups are already struggling against a less than perfect economy and still competition from other legitimate charitable organizations," Mr. Tuz said.

Phony charities peddle everything from chocolate bars to lightbulbs through such means as telephone soliciting, door-to-door canvassing and direct

mailing of products. Mr. Tuz added that merchandise is often sold at more than double the regular retail price.

"Because many consumers are buying in a hurry, they often leave their good sense at home," Mr. Tuz said. "The Bureau receives the bulk of its complaints in January, after the Christmas season...when in many cases, the damage is unfortunately done."

Mr. Tuz advises consumers that in order to avoid being caught in the net of preying con artists, consumers should first be aware of the "human weaknesses" that make them susceptible to con games. With that awareness, consumers will be better equipped to defend themselves against unscrupulous operators at Christmas time, or for that matter at any time.

Mr. Tuz also cautioned against groups soliciting funds which are raised only to be funnelled back into the pockets of campaign organizers with little turned over to the charitable effort itself.

According to Mr. Tuz, a list of over 300 soliciting organizations compiled by the Bureau as part of its Philanthropic Advisory Service, reveals that many charitable organizations use the services of private fund-raising organizations who end up creaming off a substan-

tial portion of funds raised, with as little as ten per cent going back to the charity.

The Bureau is currently in the process of improving and expanding guidelines by which consumers can be made aware of the breakdown of charitable revenues. We encourage people to contact us before making their donations, Mr. Tuz said.

NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE ESTATE OF: CECIL JOHN SOPER

ALL PERSONS having claims against the Estate of Cecil John Soper, late of the Town of Halton Hills, in the Regional Municipality of Halton, who died on or about the 21st day of September, 1982, are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before the 23rd day of December, 1982, after which date the Estate will be distributed with regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice, and the undersigned will not be liable to any person of whose claim they shall not then have notice.

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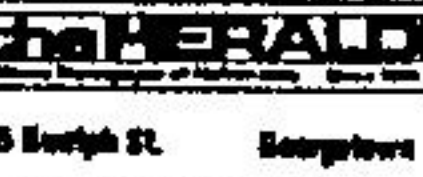
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The 9th Annual Christmas Water Show will be held at the Acton Swimming Pool on Friday, December 10th, 1982 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. The show features local children exhibiting their skills in synchro, diving, swim team, swimming, lifesaving and more. (Santa Claus will be there along with some special guest stars). Make sure you attend! FREE!!
3316-ce-49

Careers Day at Centennial School December 2nd, 9 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. 25 occupations represented. Public welcome.
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THE SALVATION ARMY pickup service, every Tuesday, Call 877-8522.
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Bake and Craft Sale, Sat., Dec. 4th, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dart Turkey Shoot 1 p.m. Georgetown & District Newfoundland Club, 247 Armstrong Ave. Unit 4.
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Swimmers looking for stroke correction, a chance to build endurance, and hard work mixed in with a lot of fun? Come out and join the Swimming Stars of Acton. Practices are held Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. There are frequent competitions with other clubs and special team events too. Phone 853-3140 between 6-9 p.m. for more information.
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CARDS OF THANKS

I wish to thank friends, relatives, neighbours, and Varian co-workers for the flowers, gifts, cards, and inquiries, while I was a patient in Georgetown Hospital and since returning home. Special thanks to Dr. Ford and Dr. Kennedy and the excellent nurses on Ward 8 for their great care.
Marg Appleyard
3474-48-col

The family of the late Carman Copland wish to thank their friends, Rev. Peter Barrow, the Branch 120 Legion and Ladies Auxiliary, Norm Ward, the Georgetown Industrial Hockey League and McClure Jones Funeral Home for their kindness during their recent bereavement.
3323-col-48

Thank you to my friends and neighbours for remembering me in so many ways while I was in hospital and since returning home.
Beth Allen
3328-col-48

ENGAGEMENTS

FORBES-REED
Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Reed of Georgetown are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Cheryl Lee to Robert George Forbes, son of Mr. & Mrs. George Forbes of R.R.2 Acton. Wedding to take place June 25, 1983 at St. Albans. 346348em

DEATHS

KIDNEY, Mary Caroline—Peacefully on Wednesday, November 24th, 1982 at Ancaster, Ontario. Mary Zimmerman, formerly of Georgetown. Wife of the late Gordon R. Kidney and dear mother of David of High River, Alberta and Paul of Ancaster. Loving grandmother of Matthew, Justin, Daniel & Jonathan Kidney. Sister of Patricia Dube of Vancouver and Joan Johnston of Toronto. Resting at the McClure Jones Funeral Home, 34 Edith Street, Georgetown, where funeral and committal service will be held Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto. In memory contributions to the Canadian Cancer Society would be appreciated.

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DEATHS

VAN VLIET Bert — At his home, Oakville, Ontario on Sunday, November 28th, 1982. Beloved husband of the late Anna and dear father of Neil of Proton Station, Betty (Mrs. Bert Millenaar) of Brampton, Dick of Brampton, Agnes (Mrs. Murray Brunskill) of Fergus, Bruce of Proton Station and Peter of Pricerville. Fondly remembered by his 15 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Services were held from the Leo Archdeon Funeral Home, 289 Main Street North (No. 10 Hwy) Brampton on Tuesday, November 30th at 2:30 p.m. Interment Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.
3320-dn-48

LESLIE Edwin G (Ted) — On Monday, November 29th, 1982 at the Georgetown & District Memorial Hospital. Ted Leslie of Norval, beloved husband of Edna Gibbons and dear father of Dwight and Kimberley of Teeswater, dear brother of Irene (Mrs. Ernie Curry) of Muskoka and the late Marion Emshie. Resting at the McClure Jones Funeral Home, 34 Edith Street, Georgetown where funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Interment Greenwood Cemetery.
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Tonight (Wednesday), at 7 p.m., a seminar on the use of seatbelts by children and other passengers is being presented by Halton regional police at the Halton Hills Cultural Centre.

The public is invited to learn about existing seat belt legislation amended by the province Nov. 1.

The province's child restraint legislation will be explained to parents and other drivers by guest speakers Gord Hampton

mission and Barbara Coghrove of the provincial ministry of transportation and communications.

Similar seminars are being conducted in Milton, Oakville and Burlington during the following week. Contact Sgt. Al McQueen at 878-6511 for more information.

From feedlot to packer to retailer, a 1,000 pound steer is reduced to about 440 pounds of edible beef.

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWER

