Sweaters stolen

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All they need are the bodies now. Nine white hockey sweaters bearing the hexagonal red and black G for rep hockey were stolen from the Gordon Alcott Arena in Georgetown Salurday aftermoon.

Along with the sweaters, 14 practice bibs, two water bottles and a first aid kit, bringing the theft total to \$400, were taken sometime between 2:30 and 4 p.m.

Halton regional police said thieves broke into a locked wooden box in an unlocked storage room.

Gang beating

Four Georgetown men ganged up on a 17-year old Georgetown District High School student at Cedarvale Park Saturday night, following a verbal aftercation after midnight.

The man suffered a cut to the right side of the head and left finger. His left hip was scraped, a tooth was chipped and he had a swollen upper lip. Halton regional police are investigating.

Oldsmobile stolen

Whoever rode off into nee number RLW 244. the sunset in a 1983 Oldsmobile Cutless overnight Saturday is a wanted man.

are looking for a fern lot behind the McGlbbon green Oldsmobile, lice- hotel.

valued at \$17,000.

The car, leased by a Georgetown man, was Halton regional police stolen from the parking

Man jailed for extortion

Herald staff

Limehouse man, charged with extortion and four counts of theft over \$200, was sentenced March 26 to four months imprisonment.

Bruce Edward Irvine was given a three monthe jail term for each "theft over" charge, to be served concurrently. He was given 30 days consecutive imprisonment on the extortion charge.

Robert Edwin McAllister of Limehouse was fined \$150 for failure to comply with a recognisance order.

The two 17 year old Limehouse men were charged following an incident involving a 17year old Georgetown

District High School student.

The student, also 17 and from Limehouse. was leaving the school grounds last February when his gym bag was grabbed by the two men Halton regional police

He was told he could have it back if he paid \$40. Police said the men indicated they had a knife, although it was never shown, and that they threatened the student with bodily harm.

Frightened, the student complied with the men, withdrawing all the money for his Canada Trust bank account, a total of \$35, and giving it to the men, police

Dangerous

driving

Following a danger-

ous driving complaint.

Halton regional police

laid a charge of obstruc-

ting police and consum-

ing of liquor in other than a residence against

a 20-year old Maple

The man was arrested

on Georgetown's Pine

Valley Trail. He's due to

Avenue man March 23.

First aid course

A first aid course is being offered at the Georgetown Ambulance Hall, Guelph and Chapel Streets, starting April 10.

The course runs each Tuesday night until May 15 for a fee of \$20. For more information call 877-7964.

Hospice volunteers needed

Hospice volunteers are needed. North Halton liberice is a volunteer service working with the terminally ill and their families. Next training session starts early April. Full

support given. For more information 854-2750. Tail lights smashed

Two tail lights on a 1978 Ford were smashed Friday night in the Acton arena parking lot. Damage was \$100.

Go home

A 36-year old Acton. man arguing on Acton's Mill and Main Streets Friday night at 1 a.m. was charged with being intoxicated in a public place when he failed to leave when asked to by Halton regional police.

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CORRECTION

On Page 8 of the Dollar Daze Flyer (April 4-7), the Mustrations of Ladies' Strotch Pull-on Pants and Men's Rugby Pants have been reversed

On Page 2 of the Dollar Daze Flyer (April 4-7), the Mustration of the Ultimate Mat Is incorrect. The liem does not have a fringe.

We regret any inconvenience this may have caused our customers.



Mother Pearl Laura Masales, 12, appeared with pearl drops Claire Langridge, 9, and Kelly MacDonald, 8, in the Acton Figure Skating Club's production of 'Bon Voyage' on the weekend. The group performed to packed houses Saturday afternoon and evening at the Acton Arena.

(Herald photo)

Region taxes up by 5.2 per cent

By CHRIS AAGAARD Herald Staff

Halton region will collect about \$18 more for its share of the tax bill from Halton Hills residents this year.

While the region's operating budget, tentatively set by the administration and finance committee last week at \$23,394,828, has to be passed by council today (Wednesday), committee members applauded the fact that the budget increase over last year is only 5.2 per cent.

"Unconditional grants" from the province add about \$9.25 million to the region's budget for a total of about \$32.67 million.

Halton will also work with a capital budget of about \$9,247,000, of which \$3.87 million comes from the operating budget, lot levies (capital contributions) and transfers of money from the region's existing reserves.

For the average Halton Hills homeowner whose property has an assessment of \$5,500, regional taxes will rise from about \$158 to \$176. This does not include school or town taxes.

NOSUBSIDY Unlike previous years, the Halton Hills

That means that of the \$18 increase in regional taxes faced by town's ratepayers, \$7.59 represents the loss of that subsidy.

Another \$4.05 will go to the Credit Valley Conservation Authority to pay for special erosion control projects on the Credit River and its tributaries flowing through Halton Hills. The remaining \$6.65

regional administrati-In Milton, regional taxes will rise about \$9.40 from \$169.83. Oakville ratepayers, where the average assessment is \$7,600, will have a

goes directly to the

regional tax increase of about \$11. Taxes on the average Oakville home will go from \$192 last year to \$203 this year. AVERAGE In Burlington, taxes

will rise from \$161 to \$168.87 on the average home assessed at \$6,500. A latecomer item to the budget, but which surprised no one, was an additional \$110,000 for

winter maintenance due to the heavy falls of snow experienced this season. The region will be responsible for about \$55,000 of that, with the rest coming in the form of provincial subsidies. The region's budget actually rose about 7.3 per cent.

INCREASE But thanks to an increase in assessment growth (a broadening of the tax base) the region can expect about \$400,000 in revenue which helped lower the

increase to 5.2 per cent. Joe Rinaldo, Halton's treasurer, commented that the increase in this year's tax-supported budget could have been even lower had provincial grants been given at five per cent more than last year.

The grants would have added about \$200,000 at the five per cent level, requiring less money from ratepayers to build the budget.



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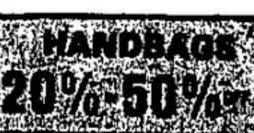
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Problems for Acton incinerator

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energy-from-waste

By MAGGIE HANNAH Herald Special

OAKVILLE - Construction of an energyfrom-waste incinerator at Acton's Beardmore Tannery might be economically advantageous to Halton Hills but topography of the area and wind conditions could create problems in designing a smoke stack to meet emission control standards.

At an open house last Tuesday, regional consultant John Chandler said air poliution models are only one tool to give an idea of what will actually happen when construction is complete.

But given the special

air current conditions in (EFW) plant. the lowlands surrounding the Beardmore

He said many of the contaminants people plant, he would be very worry about can be reluctant to make a engineered out and the judgement on how to smoke kept to a reasoncontrol emission conta-

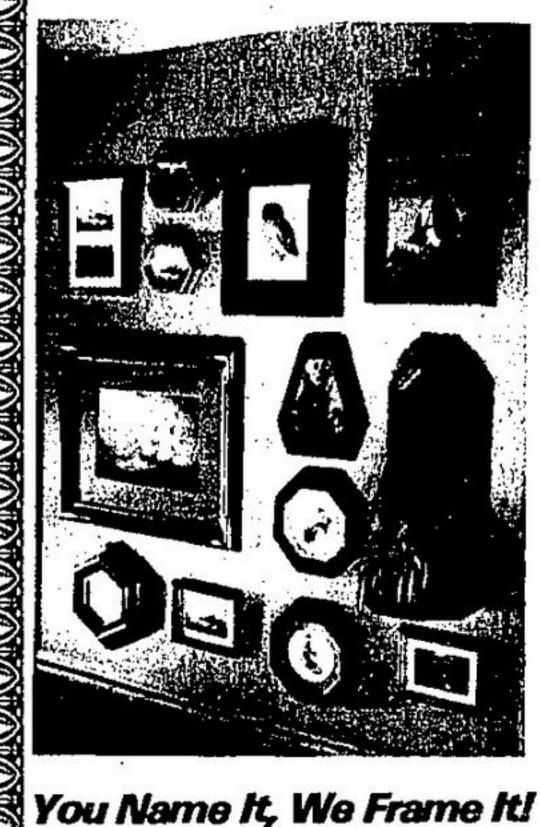
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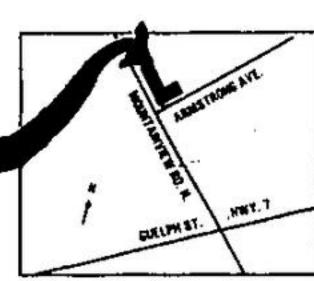
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