Community service order program

Service work a positive force for inmates

By ROBIN BAKEWELL, Herald Staff

An alternative which may be available to offenders who break the law in Halton Hills is the Community Service Order program.

The CSO is a program which enables people who are usually first time offenders of non-violent crimes to remain in the community rather than spend time in jall.

Sandra James, local CSO co-ordinator with the Elizabeth Fry Society in Milton, said that participants will do "anything that a volunteer can do that doesn't take away from paid employment."

Examples of the work assigned to offenders are such jobs as maintenance with conservation areas, painting and gardening at senior citizen's homes or nursery schools, individual help, and a variety of activities through placement with local community

agencies requiring volunfeer assistance.
Offenders who are 16

Offenders who are 16 years of age and older are eligible for the CSO program provided they are willing to take part in the program and the courts see them fit to participate.

A judge may ask for an assessment of the sultability of the offender for a CSO or a lawyer may ask for the program for his client. Although the recom-

"not eiched in stone," ge according to Mrs. po James, the final decision comes from a judge us with the amount of vol-

A minimum of 30 hours is usually handed down to offenders with an approximate maximum of 450 hours over three years for offenders who may have committed such crimes as possession of stolen goods over \$200, use of a

unteer hours to be com-

firearm, criminal negligence or obstructing police.

Mrs. James said the usual rate of volunteer work is 10 hours a month with an office report to the CSO twice a month.

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A CSO is part of a probation order and failure to comply with the order could result in a breach of probation leading to a possible fine or imprisonment.

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Out of the approxi- wo mate 100 clients Mrs. is

James has dealt with, over the past year, only a couple have breached their probation.

Mrs. James thinks this type of program is on the increase and believes that there are definitely some of the offenders who are glad they had the chance to participate after going through the court system.

The "Why should I work for free?" attitude is apparent in some of

the referrals and Mrs.
James believes they are
not mature enough for
the program or simply,
"not ready for the
straight and narrow."

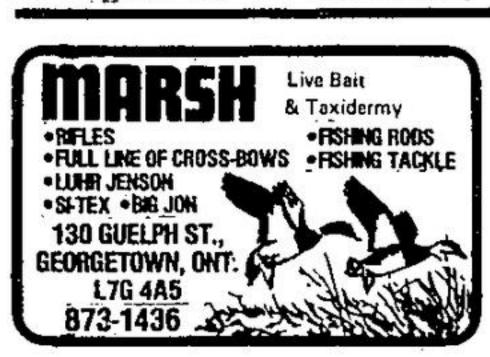
Mrs. James became involved with the program after graduating from social work in Sudbury and having an interest, in the court system.

"I like to meet with them at the end to see what they get out of it," she said.

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Kingfisher Klub

The Terra Cotta Conservation Area's Kingfisher Klub is a naturalists program presented by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority for children aged 7 - 12 years old, and 5 - 7 year olds, if accompanied by a parent.

The Kingfisher Klub meets every Thursday afternoon from 1:30 - 3 p.m. throughout the summer at Terra Cotta's Conservation Area's interpretive centre.

The Klub's activities will include nature crafts, environmental games, pond studies, hikes, insect collecting and observing will be explored.

The Kingfisher Klub activities are designed to prompt the hild's interest in nature, conservation and leisure. Young people will learn appreciation for all aspects of nature, land, water, mammals, birds and amphibians.

Activities will vary each week so that children attending regularly will experience something new every Thursday.

The Terra Cotta Conservation Area is located just north of the Village of Terra Cotta on Winston Churchill Boulevard.

Free car wash

Local Canada Summer Employment staff want to thank the town for the support they've received over the past months in helping find jobs for students.

In saying their 'thanks' to the community, staff from Orangeville, Brampton and Georgetown will be holding a free car wash July 27 from 1-4 p.m.

The location is at the south side of Zeilers.

Federal contract

OTTAWA—Varian Canada Inc. has won another federal research contract with the defence department, the department of supply and services has announced.

The company will be paid \$224,449 to develop an expendable wave tube amplifier.

It was among the unclassified contracts worth \$10,000 or more that were awarded by the supply and services department to Canadians during the week ended June 15.

Slide show

Terra Cotta Conservation Area is presenting a program about the Niagara Escarpment.

The film presentation will be held Saturday at

7:30 p.m. at the Interpretivic Centre.

There will be slides of the different species of Flora, fauna and wildlife habitats found throughout this unique geological formation which passes

through Terra Cotta.

The program is free and open to everyone.

Admission to the area is \$4 per vehicle. For more information call 877-9650.

Synchro clinic

Synchro Ontario is offering the residents of Halton Hills the opportunity to become involved in Synchronized Swimmming this summer.

A mobile clinic will be visiting the Acton and Georgetown Swimming Pools for a special 21/2 hour clinic.

This clinic includes a slide show, video presentation, water practice and a demonstration by Jan Adamson who swam nationally for seven years and Karen Zeigler who swam provincially for five years.

This is an excellent introduction to Canada's newest Olympic sport, and will be available on one day only - Tuesday, July 31. Register now at the Acton Swimming Pool or the Georgetown Pool. For more information call 853-3140 or 877-7721.

Seniors needed

Are you an active senior citizen and interested in becoming a qualified fitness program instructor? Call the Recreation Department, 877-5185, ext. 251 to discuss the possibilities.

Closer ties?

In efforts to forge closer links with Hamilton-Wentworth, Halton Region agreed to spend \$2,500 to promote 10 ships that will visiting Hamilton Harbor this month.

Halton councillors are hoping the expenditure will help attract tourism to the area and assist them in persuading Hamilton to accept some of Halton's garbage in the near future.

Hydro failure

Ricerighters were called to Queen and McNabb Streets on July 12 after an old tree on Queen Street fell into hydro lines.

There was some arcing caused by the problem which also caused power to be disrupted in the area temporarily.

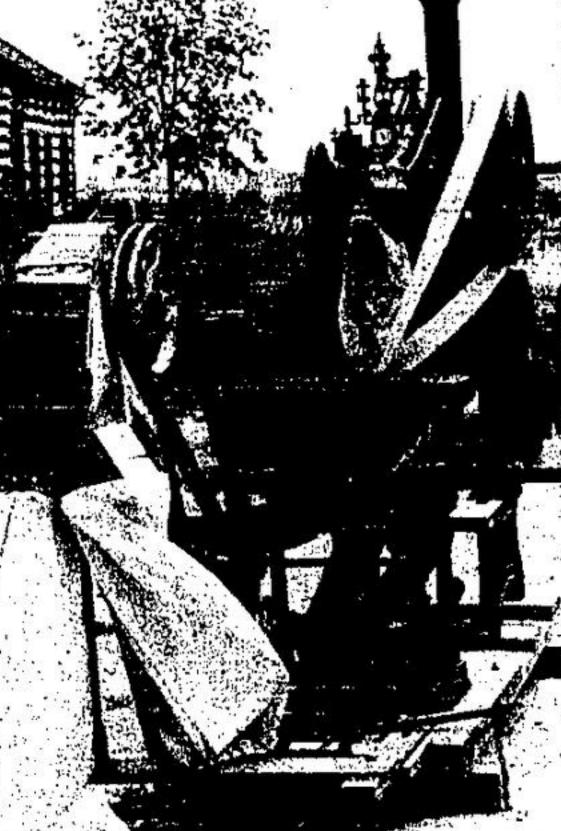
Car stereo stolen

Approximately \$750 worth of car stereo equipment was taken from a car which was parked on Maple Avenue in Georgetown last

Friday evening.

An am-fm cassette radio, power booster and a pair of ploneer speakers were reported missing in the incident.





This wheat grinder was used for animal feed with its 1912 engine and 1925 grinder. Dave Hooton oversees the system and makes sure everything runs smoothly.



This wood fired boiler produced the power to run three

Addison Woodley sits behind an old shaving bench which he called "very versatile". It could be used for a variety of woodwork including shingling and chair production.



This big harvester was used for collecting the feed for the farm animals. It Made by the Lobsinger Brothers it was the only thresher with a double top deck delivery in its day.

Acton snubbed in VIA fight After being rejected to Guelph to catch the those respects, it oper-train stop there, Mr.

in a first effort to re-establish train service to Acton, town officials will start looking for other ways to accomplish the goal.

Mayor Russ Miller said a recent meeting with officials of VIA Rail only produced the same old arguments against re-introducing of stops in town.

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Mr. Ray Borden, vicepresident of the Great
Lakes region of VIA
Rall, said Acton residents wanting to use
VIA simply have to go

train.

He also pointed to the GO bus service through

GO bus service through
Acton and the GO train
service from Georgetown as offering fine
transportation for
commuters.
Mr. Miller said people

Mr. Miller said people using GO buses must transfer if they want to reach downtown Toronto and this confuses some people, especially the elderly. At the very least it is inconvenient

and time consuming.

While the train service is excellent in both

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those respects, it operates only in the morning and evening rather than throughout the day, which may suit commuters, but it is of little use to others.

Mr. Miller also pointed out getting the GO train in Georgetown could be a problem for some potential users and argued if the trains ran hourly from Georgetown, as they do in Oakville, the service would be fine.

"He said the population base is not there in Acton to merit having a

be very profitable one day."

VIA said it would consider the proposal town and meet the group of for again. Therefusal was

given at the second meeting.

VIA abandoned its train service for Acton more than 10 years ago, although 10 VIA trains pass through the town

Miller sald. "We feel for

the five minutes of in-

convenience now the

uy. Guelph Mercury

Are you disappointed that the Queen's

visit will be postponed due to the

federal election? Asked at Milton.

Government help lacking for Canadian artists: Hawkins

By DAN RALPH
The Canadian government could make millions if it got behind its
musicians says a music

Ronnie Hawkins, who left his native Arkansas, in 1952 to pursue a career in music, said in an interview the government could stand to make a lot of money if it did chip in and help performers.

"It's foolish that they are not helping them," he said. "Look at what it did for England.

"They are making billions."

Mr. Hawkins was in Acton Thursday at a press conference to promote a concert in the town August 4. The proceeds of that concert will go toward paying the expenses for two Acton minor hockey teams' trip to Norway to play exhibition games there this winter.

Mr. Hawkins sald he has seen a lot of talented people in Canada who flounder because of a lack of money. Quite often the results are predictable.

"The reason for the British explosion is because there they have people who back music-lans. It's no secret that it takes money to make

"I have seen more ence any more. A sour Anne Murrays and business deal has left him heavily in debt. Canada than you know, but what can I do for tain a sense of humor

them. The tragedy of it all.

all is that when they get older they quit and become bitter."

However Mr. Hawk
above it all.

"The only thing as hot as rock and roll today is the fighting in Iran and Iraq.

dian music scene is improving.

"It used to be that the U.S. so
Canadians would not more more

hire Canadians, At least now things are better." BLUES Hawkins learned bls

Hawkins learned his music trade early in life. His father's family was musically oriented, and he learned the art of the blues from someone who knew it

well.

"My dad was a barber, and he had a black shoe shine who played the blues, and I would go around back and practise with him.

ttock and roll has changed a lot in the 30 years, and today's musicians are a reason why.

"Back in the old days rock and roll was 12-bar blues stuff. Today It is more refined. The musicians are coming from places like Juliliard

School of Music in New York city." Hawkins does not enjoy financial independLEAVING

"I'm going to be leaving Canada and head to the U.S. so I can make more money. How long

more money. How long will I stay? I don't know.

"If I get what I want, I'll only have to play once," he chuckles.
"But what I want and what I get are two different things."

Back in the early '50s,

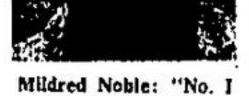
Back in the early '50s,
Hawkins had a road
crew member by the
name of Peter Pocklington. That's the same
Pocklington who owns
the Edmonton Oilers of
the National Hockey

League.

"He called me when he got into the NHL and said he would win the Stanley Cup in five years. He did."

As for what the future holds, Hawkins will be starring in a movie later this summer. He will be writing the soundtrack for it too.

Also, he has a new album coming out and one-hour television special slated for early 1985.



wasn't planning on see-

ing her and wouldn't get

to see her quilt if she

was here."



Wayne Roberts: "No. I don't regard the Queen as a big importance to Canada."



Phyllis McMaster: "No, I'm not disappointed. Other arrangements have been made for a visit and we'll still have a chance to see the Queen.



Dorathy Cox: "No. I've seen her before in Brampton. You can see her much better on TV."