Halton force reacts to police murder

By ROBIN BAKEWELL
Herald Staff

The Metropolitan Toronto area has been the home to two police murders within a two week period. The seemingly senseless crimes are not those associated with high risk situations but rather the "routine" calls an officer may make daily.

Halton Regional Deputy Chief, Bob Middaugh, said the Halton Regional Police Force has reacted to the slayings by reminding their officers that the danger element in police work is there all the time.

Officers have also been reminded about the use of body armor and alarm call procedures.

Body armor (bullet proof vests) was first introduced to the Halton Regional Police Force about two years ago after the shooting of two O.P.P. officers in the Huntsville-Gravenhurst area where one officer died.

DEPUTY CHIEF MIDDAUGH

Deputy Chief Middaugh said the Gravenhurst shooting was the motherhood incident which led the way for the department to obtain the armor.

Although all Halton regional police are issued with the armor, its use is optional.

One result of the recent murders is that the president of the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police, Jon Jenkins, has called on Parliament to restore the death penalty.

Deputy Chief Middaugh said it was his personal opinion that the death penalty should never have been removed in the first place.

"Capital punishment should be enforced for any planned act, whether it be a policeman or not," he said.

He said the people opposed to capital punishment tend only to see the accused while the policemen see the victim.

HOT DOG

Salt Water Taffy? Georgetown's Rita Thompson gives Lab Retriever, Taffy a boost off the mark at Sunday's 50th annual C.N.E. dog swim. After three years' failure to finish the 100-yard paddle, Taffy finally made it to a win in the heavy-weight division.

Fall Fair will get your goat

Herald Special

Georgetown Fair is out *to get your goat! At least* Dave Shrubsole, chairman of the goat show committee hopes so.

The show has been a raging success these past two years, and has every indication of carrying on so this year. Last year, over 90 goats were exhibited at the fair, with all five breeds, (Toggenburg, Saanen, Nubian, La Mancha and Alpine) being represented. The show also features grade classes.

Dave has exhibitors coming from Wellington, Peel and Halton counties, because there are not many good shows in the area. In this show, Dave tries to encourage both large and small breeders to exhibit in order to provide the spectators with an interesting and informative show.

The judge this year will be Ted Whitworth of Orangeville. He operates a commercial milk herd of goats, called Whit Lee Dairy Goats.

Mr. Whitworth is a capable judge and judges at many local shows, as well as being active in his local goat association and working with 4-H clubs.

4-H Goat Clubs are becoming popular, so Mr. Shrubsole has taken steps to encourage 4-H members to show in the open classes as well as in the 4-H Showmanship *Class. This class is by far* the largest of the section and has Junior and Senior divisions.

In Showmanship classes the young people are judged, rather than their goats. The judge scores them on their showing technique and they are placed accordingly.

Although Georgetown is not part of the Achievement Day events of 4-H, most of the exhibitors in these classes are members of 4-H Goat Clubs in other counties.

The Goat Show at Georgetown Fair takes place on Sunday, September 9. The show starts at 11:30 a.m. Prior to the show, the goats must undergo a veterinarian check which takes place from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

For more information about the goat show, contact Dave Shrubsole at 877-7737.

Fall school fashions

Guys with a foot fetish will delight in this fall's fashion scene.

It features short cropped pants, with or without a cuff.

J.V. Clothing salesclerk Lisa Burke told The Herald that pant hems this season are above the ankle for casual or dress pants, and even for jeans.

However, that's just the new style for women. You're likely to see it on the young women and girls going back to school next month.

For the male students, pant hems are still to the shoe. Pleated pants are popular this season, without cuffs, however, Miss Burke said.

"Men's fashions don't usually have outstanding things other than in the denim line," Miss Burke said. "Dressy clothes are still mostly pretty conservative."

In casual shirts, jade green and turquoise are the big colors for the male student, she said.

Other popular colors, mostly seen in the female clothing, are royal blue, gray and winter white, Miss Burke said.

Although there are a few mini-skirts, most skirts are to the knee, so it'll help the young men keep their mind on the books.

Straight pin skirts or really wide flaring skirts are popular in the fall collection, in heavy wools, she said.

Most are in solid colors or plaids, and there doesn't seem to be an in-between skirt between the really tight or the flaring, Miss Burke commented.

Solid colors or plaids are popular in the skirts and dresses.

When it comes to dresses, many of them feature three-quarter sleeves in the dolman or raglan style. There aren't a lot of belts, Miss Burke said.

For men, there are lots of suede jackets and the colors red, blue, black and brown are popular, she said.

No seat, no votes for Halton

Halton Hills' regional councillor Mike Armstrong didn't make it onto the board of directors of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO).

Neither did the region's other candidate, Brad Clements of Milton.

There are 842 municipalities in AMO and this year there were 1,686 voters electing 30 members at large to the board.

Since they didn't make it on the board through election, an alternative still exists for Halton to get representation on the board.

Last week, the two had their names endorsed by the region for the remaining five seats on the AMO executive that are filled by appointment. The new board of directors appoints members for those seats.

"The Northeast and west are taking care of their own," Mr. Armstrong told The Herald last week. "Only five come from within a 50-mile radius of Toronto, and three are mayors - Ajax, Aurora and Waterloo."

With people elected to the board from distant areas, it often ends up that when AMO meetings are held, they aren't well attended, Mr. Armstrong said. The meetings are held in Toronto.

"Nobody got in from south central Ontario, and nobody was elected from Metropolitan Toronto," he said.

Mr. Armstrong will still sit on AMO's housing committee, a position he's had for two years now, and therefore he'll continue to receive all the information the executive members of AMO receive. However, he won't have a vote at the executive meetings.

Tape deck stolen

A Pioneer AM-FM stereo cassette player and two speakers with an estimated value of $850 were taken from a vehicle in the municipal parking lot on Church Street in Acton over the weekend.

Halton enrollment declines

Herald Staff

Enrolment at Halton board of education schools has been declining since 1977.

In 1977, there were 30,221 elementary school students, 20,826 secondary school students and 154 trainable mentally handicapped pupils.

This Sept. 5, schools are expecting to have 25,527 elementary students, 18,183 secondary students and 126 trainable mentally handicapped pupils.

This continuing decline in enrolments is reflected in the lower number of full-time teachers with the board. This year, there are 1,235 elementary teachers and 1,108 secondary teachers.

The expansion of the elementary Core French Program and secondary special education staff have counteracted this decline to some extent.

In late May, the contracts of 20 elementary and 20 secondary teachers were terminated. Since then, all but a few have been recalled.

These positions were created by attrition at staff leave for a variety of reasons. Once actual enrolments are confirmed during the first two weeks in September, it may be possible to recall more teachers.

Semi-final dairy contest

By DOUGLAS ARMOUR
Toronto Bureau

Halton Dairy Princess Laura Marshall of Milton will compete in the semi-finals of the 1984-85 Ontario Dairy Princess competition. The final competition will be held Wednesday night (tonight) at the CNE.

Miss Marshall was chosen out of 11 dairy princesses Saturday night to compete in the semi-finals and finals.

There were 44 dairy princesses competing Saturday night and tonight she'll be up against five.

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