

POLICE BEAT

Narcotic possession

As a result of a police investigation into a vehicle on Saturday, an Arthur resident has been charged with possession of a narcotic.

The vehicle which was checked out on Elizabeth Street in Acton held a passenger who had a bag of marijuana in his possession.

False pretenses

The result of an investigation has led Halton regional police in laying a false pretenses charge against a Queen Street man in Georgetown.

The charge stems from a bad cheque for the amount of \$147 which was passed at the Georgetown A and P store on Oct. 10.

The man was held for a bail hearing Nov. 5 as he was on a recognizance for a similar charge.

Making threats

A Princess Anna Drive teenager in Georgetown has been charged with making threats against his ex-girlfriend.

The man was held for a bail hearing on Nov. 5 after the Nov. 3 charge.

Station wagon stolen

A 1977 Dodge station wagon has been reported stolen from a Kingham Road residence in Acton, Nov. 4.

The vehicle, with license plate number LSW 313, is believed to have been taken between 5 - 7 p.m. and is blue with brown panelling. Its value is estimated at \$3,500.

Truck stolen

As a result of a police investigation into a theft of a 1978 Datsun pick-up truck Saturday night, a 17 year old Georgetown resident is facing charges of taking a vehicle without owners consent, failing to remain at the scene of an accident, failing to report an accident, driving a vehicle with no license, and consuming liquor while being a minor.

The pick-up, which was taken from a Stewarttown Road residence, was found after it had been involved in a collision with a railway signal post on 17 Sideroad.

Damage to the vehicle is estimated at \$2,500 while damage to the railway signal is estimated at \$500.

Civic smashed

The rear window of a 1979 Honda Civic was smashed sometime over Sunday night and Monday morning causing an estimated \$100 in damages while it was parked in the rear of 81 Mill Street in Georgetown.



COMMUNITY LEADERS

Georgetown Kiwanis recently picked the new executive committee for a new term. From left to right are: Paul Taylor (second vice president), Tom Reed (president), David Bararas (treasurer), Vic

Clark (director), Brian Goodlet (first vice president), Jeff Eason (director), Phillip Jones (director), Charles Forsyth (director) and David Soal (past president).

Y director searching for new program ideas

By ANI PEDERIAN
Herald Staff

The new executive director of the Georgetown and District YMCA wants the Y to reach out to young adults, single parents and older adults.

Claudette Smith, a Georgetown resident, was named to the post Oct. 9, replacing John Wood who was transferred to the Y's new Metro Toronto facility on Grosvenor Street, where he is involved in membership sales.

"My personal goal is to increase the visibility of the Georgetown Y in our area by providing service to additional groups in our community that we're not now reaching," Mrs. Smith said.

She expressed concern about the community's older teens and young adults in the 15 to 24 year old range, noting the Y wasn't attracting them.

"Once they reach the age where they're mobile and can hop on their bike and go places without parental escort, we're losing them," Mrs. Smith said.

JOINING
"Many of the things we're losing them to are super, like hockey and school teams and clubs, but, what I'm really worrying about are the kids who aren't joining any of those," she said.

Monday, the Georgetown Y will begin a three month feasibility study into providing a youth employment service for that age group. Edward Tooke of Toronto has been hired as a consultant for the study.

He'll be conducting surveys and personal interviews with community and social agencies which would be referring young people

to this potential service.

"It's for youth who have some barriers to employment, like social, economic or geographic disadvantages or even the lack of work experience," Mrs. Smith said.

YES
The Youth Employment Service (YES) would provide counselling, a hands-on placement and job follow-up. Currently, the program is operating in six other Y's including Brampton.

"We're looking at offering it here by next spring," Mrs. Smith said.

Another goal Mrs. Smith is working to achieve is making the programs of the Georgetown Y accessible for single parents, especially those who have financial difficulties.

She said she has contacted the public health department and local churches and asked them to make the people they deal with aware Y programs are available to the financially strapped.

"If they want to participate, we'll accept them. Each case is assessed on its own merits. Our Y is here for everybody, and that's a basic Y policy," Mrs. Smith stressed.

OVER 50
Another group the new executive director wants to reach is the over 50.

In the new year, Mrs. Smith hopes to develop



CLAUDETTE SMITH

a pilot fitness program for seniors. She said the Y is increasingly aware of the number of people at that age in town and the growth of them within the decade.

"We want to address that need before it's

really a crisis," Mrs. Smith said.

What older adults want in terms of activities is basically the same as what other age groups want, with a little less competition and no body contact sports.

The Y will be working on a five year development plan for older adults programs, with the help of the Metro Y which recently undertook a study on that subject.

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WLU students graduate

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Eaton and Birgitta Johnson each received a general bachelor of arts degree.

Leslie Ciglen and Diane Burton were presented with a general bachelor of arts diploma.

Christian fellowship

Haiton Hills Christian Women's Fellowship will meet Tuesday Nov. 27 at St. George's Anglican Church Hall at 1:15 p.m.

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CHRISTIAN WORKSHOPS

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The guest speaker is director of clinical services for the Institute of Family Living in Toronto. Registration \$10 per person. For more information call 877-7585 (mornings) 877-0907 (evenings).

Huttonville bazaar

There will be a Huttonville Mother's Auxiliary bazaar at Huttonville Public School on Embleton Road Saturday Nov. 17 from 2-4 p.m.

Crafts, knitting, Christmas items and baked goods plus refreshments. Proceeds will help the youth groups of the community. Everyone is welcome. For more information call 455-8358.

Acton Y quilting

The Acton Y is offering a two day beginners applique quilting workshop on Thursday Nov. 15 and Thurs. Nov. 22 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Cost \$6, babysitting available \$1 each day.

Register now at 853-1070 Tuesday and Thursdays between 10 and 2 p.m.

\$25 damage

An estimated \$25 in damages resulted when a stone was thrown through a front door window on Sargeant Road in Georgetown, Friday evening.

Assault

An Acton teenager has been charged with assault causing bodily harm after he struck his step-father in the mouth during a dispute.

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