

Don't be depressed

The more the merrier

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Santa letters depleted



Santa Claus is getting ready to come to town. He's relayed a message telling us his sleigh is being carefully polished and outfitted for even the worst of our December storms. Letters from Santa are on pages A8, A6, B2, B6 and B6.

Gemini hockey

Can't stop those shorthanded goals

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ABOUT THE HILLS

Teen dies in Wildwood crash

By ROBIN BAKEWELL
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A Georgetown teenager lost his life after the vehicle in which he was a passenger ended up in the creek below Wildwood Road in Glen Williams. The vehicle apparently hit a concrete abutment on the side of the road, rolled over and trapped Kenneth Morrow under the car by the creek. Firefighters, ambulance attendants and the Halton regional police were called to the scene at approximately 1 a.m. Sunday and Mr. Morrow was freed by firefighters' equipment. Another passenger in the vehicle, Susan Hoekstra, 16, RR1, Limehouse was treated and released from Georgetown District Memorial Hospital.



KEN MORROW

The driver, Keith Rieger, 17, 6th Line, Esquesing escaped with minor injuries and has been charged with impaired driving and driving over the legal limit. Georgetown District High School had its flag at half mast and observed a school silence in respect for Mr. Morrow, a recent Grade 12 graduate. Friends from GDHS who delivered a poem in memory of Mr. Morrow for The Herald said he always put friends and family before himself. In one instance outlined, Mr. Morrow was remembered as saying he wished it could have been him with cancer rather than one of his two elder brothers. Acquiring the nickname of "Face"

from his fellow students he was said to have been always making faces. Students said he was always happy and had the ability to cheer anybody up. They said you could always relate to him and tell him your problems. Mr. Morrow enjoyed the shop courses when he attended school and was apprenticing to become an electrician at Plan Electric in Mississauga. He was also taking a Chemistry course at Nelson High School two evenings a week. A hockey player in the Georgetown house league Mr. Morrow won the most improved player in the juvenile division last year. The team he played for this year, Twin Windows, had a moment of

silence for him and wore blue banners around their arms at Sunday's game. His hockey shirt will be sent to his family. **A poem for Ken see Pg. A3**
Students who talked to The Herald said Mr. Morrow always wore a seatbelt and would make others wear one if they drove in his car. A memorial service was held Tuesday, Dec. 18 at Knox Presbyterian Church in Georgetown at 3 p.m.

Teaching changes

Peter Vidler of McKenzie-Smith Middle School has been appointed elementary vice-principal at Oakville's Gladys Speers Public School. He takes on the new position Jan. 1, 1985. McKenzie-Smith is also losing Jeryl Phillips from its teaching staff in the new year. The Halton board of education accepted her resignation last week.

New street lights

New street lights are being erected on Acton's Mills Street as part of the Business Improvement Area and town project. Town engineer Bob Austin said the work is being done by an out-of-town contractor who is now almost 10 weeks behind. The lights, which were to have arrived Aug. 30 were delivered just last week. The project cost of \$150,000 is being shared between the BIA and the town. The lights are similar to those in downtown Georgetown.



The Kalsi family celebrate Christmas despite being of the Sikh faith.

Sikh family celebrate Canadian tradition

By ANI PEDERIAN
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Harbhagen Kaur Kalsi has been in Canada 17 years now, and although Christmas is not a religious holiday for her family, she celebrates it in the traditional Canadian fashion. Of the Sikh faith, the Kalsi's nevertheless decorate a Christmas tree and put up colorful lights. "We give gifts, but we don't go to church," Mrs. Kalsi said. "We do everything else." Taking up the Canadian way of celebrating Christmas wasn't a totally foreign adjustment for Mrs. Kalsi. "When she lived in India's New Delhi, she had Christian friends with whom her family would celebrate Christmas. There are many faiths in India and the whole country enjoys the holidays of each religion, she said. Mrs. Kalsi, called Jean by her Georgetown friends, prepares a Christmas dinner for her large family, which may be turkey or

It's a baby girl but mom's shocked

By ROBIN BAKEWELL
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"Relief" was the word Lois Webb used to describe her reaction on giving birth to a baby girl she didn't realize was there. Mrs. Webb woke with severe abdominal pains Tuesday (Dec. 11) and asked her husband, Bill, to stay with her until the pain subsided. The pain got worse, the family doctor was called and in turn an ambulance arrived shortly after.

In a matter of minutes Mrs. Webb gave birth to Leanne Elizabeth Webb. "I was relieved that there was nothing more seriously wrong with me. That (giving birth) I can handle," she said. Mrs. Webb said her husband is extremely happy that nothing serious was wrong with her and thrilled to pieces about the new arrival. "I always wanted a girl," Mrs. Webb said.

The 40 year old mother of three said she was unaware of her pregnancy. "I didn't suspect I was pregnant after this number of years and there were no symptoms to indicate I was," she said. Mrs. Webb reportedly gained no more than five pounds during the pregnancy at which time she had no contact with her doctor. A shipping supervisor with Georgetown Terminal Warehouse Mrs. Webb worked at the warehouse until the day before the birth. "The people at work reacted with absolute chaos from what I understand. It threw them into

turmoil," Mrs. Webb said, adding she would be taking some time off. "I'm coping well but it's going to take a bit of adjusting," she said. Leanne was a name Mrs. Webb said she had "on the shelf" after her first child was a boy 18 years ago. Her second pregnancy also resulted in a boy and Mrs. Webb said she is now able to use the name. Mrs. Webb is currently "sorting through mountains of gifts from friends far and wide," including four bunting bags, 20 stretch suits, undershirts and diapers. "We have everything a new baby needs from the skin outward," she said.

Fowl issue

Home needed for swans

By ANI PEDERIAN
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Coun. Rick Bonnette of Acton would like to see a good ending to what he calls a fowl issue. Monday night, the plight of Acton's 16 swans on Fairy Lake came up at the council meeting. Acton resident Esther Taylor expressed opposition to moving the swans from Fairy Lake to the town's sewage treatment plant for the winter. Recreation director Tom Shepard wants the swans moved because he

says keeping the lake from freezing over, through the use of a donated bubbler, creates a hazard for the rest of the community. "I don't want to wait for another accident to happen, so we took the attitude let's move the swans," Mr. Shepard said. The bubbler keeps the water from freezing over so the swans can stay safe from dogs and other wildlife, in the water. However, it creates thin ice around the open water, making it dangerous for snowmobilers who like to use the lake. As well, the open water attracts youngsters and creates a danger for them. Mr. Shepard said that although the lake isn't the town's (it belongs to Beardmore Tanneries), because the town has created this hazard of open water in the winter, it would be legally held responsible for any drownings or accidents in the lake. The swans were originally only two and were a gift to the town. Their wings are clipped so they cannot fly away.

Miss Taylor said she and others feed them daily along with the Acton Arena staff. The bubbler comes out, and the swans are moved, she said the water will freeze and 200 ducks will have to find someplace to winter. "The problem with the ducks is they don't fly away because they're fed well," Mr. Shepard said, referring to people with good intentions who feed them. "Ducks are entertaining to look at, but they're really meant to fly south." He said at the sewage treatment plant, the swans are fed daily by regional staff who work there.

MUDPIES FOR SUPPER



The Henry and Main Streets intersection in Georgetown yielded fine mud for playing in, as discovered (left to right) Richard Beaulieu, 5, Matthew Edwards, 7, and Heather Beaulieu 7



SPIRIT OF GIVING

There are a lot of Good Neighbors at Centennial Public School. Student and teacher representatives met with Good Neighbor Co-ordinator Silena Van Hoekelen Monday to deliver a cheque for \$100 that will be used to buy food for the needy during Christmas. Seen here are: (Front row, left to right) Anna Toone, principal Al Zanatta, Vicki Hughes, (middle row) Silena Van Hoekelen, Lynn Rogers who raised \$177 at the school's charity rock-a-thon, (back row) teacher Chris Logan and teacher Peter Gardiner. Students were dressed in western garb because the school was celebrating a western day. (Herald photo)

Town to monitor Peel dump site selection closely

By ANI PEDERIAN
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Peel's selection process for its new dump should be monitored very closely, town councillors agreed last week. Peel has identified four preferred candidate areas all in the same general location, north of the CNR tracks to Sideroad 15 and 17 and east of Winston Churchill Boulevard to Mississauga Road. It's adjacent to the Halton Hills border. A recent meeting between staff representatives of Halton Hills, Halton region, Peel region and councillors was reported on by the town's planning director Ian Keith. He noted Peel's site selection process has been concentrating on Brampton right from the start. "They said they made a commitment when they settled the site for the last landfill that the next one would be in the north," Mr. Keith said. Former landfills were in Caledon, and the existing regional dump is on Britannia Road in Mississauga. Regional and local Official Plans exclude Caledon and Mississauga from providing the next landfill site. However, the provincial Environmental Assessment requires that the whole of the region be fully studied to find a new landfill site, which is what Halton is doing in its search for a new dump. Peel staff believe their single municipality approach is defensible since the agreements limiting the next dump site to Brampton were made prior to the province's Environmental Assessment legislation. Mr. Richardson said the neighboring region is at a very preliminary stage and agreed with Coun. Sheldon that it's premature for Halton Hills to speak out against the candidate site.

"They're hanging their hat on that," Town Clerk administrator Ken Richardson said. "They've never gone to the Ministry of the Environment to ask if that commitment they made to the people would hold." Mr. Keith said he believed the region of Peel has a long way to go before they have a landfill site. He noted ground testing has yet to be done. "It may turn out they'll go with another (site)," he said. "Peel has a good deal to go before they have a site for a sanitary landfill that will stand up to the examination requirements." Coun. Pam Sheldon, who was at the meeting, said she came away feeling that it's too early to be against the site, although she opposes it. "It's not so much at this point that we have to be against that site, it's that we have to monitor very closely the process," she said. "It seems to be a one-sided process, or lack of process, in my opinion." She said the town would do more good by pointing out Peel isn't covering all its bases. "If they continue with this one-sided process, a good environmental lawyer would have a field day," Coun. Sheldon said. Coun. Peter Norton said he was also at the meeting and came away with the opinion that the people of Peel think this is the ideal site.

Merry Christmas from The Herald staff