

## Police Beat

### Sign smashed

The Video Flicks store sign was smashed New Year's day at 8 a.m. and a 20-year-old Georgetown man was charged with mischief, breach of probation, assaulting police and resisting arrest. An estimated \$700 damage was caused to the sign at 235 Guelph Street in Georgetown. It was broken with a chunk of steel, police said.

### Car ransacked

A car abandoned on the Ninth Line was ransacked and had a purse and other things stolen from it over the night of Dec. 29. Total value of the missing things was \$270. Many of them were recovered in a field near the car, police said.

### Stereo stolen

A car parked on Ewing Street in Georgetown New Year's Eve had a stereo and speakers stolen from it. The equipment was worth more than \$200. The vehicle was unlocked, police said.

The same night and street a \$200 stereo was removed from another car. The second car was also unlocked.

### Slippery road

A slippery road contributed to a two-vehicle accident on a Hillside Crescent curve in Georgetown Friday at 11 p.m. A Georgetown man eastbound on Hillside Crescent at 25 kilometres per hour lost control and hit a parked car, police said. Damage to both cars totalled \$3,500.

### Tarp taken

A trailer tarp was removed from a trailer on Commerce Court in Acton between Dec. 28 and 31. The tarp is worth \$400.

### Hits hydro pole

A Georgetown woman caused \$1,500 to her car Saturday when she hit a hydro pole. She was southbound on Back Street at 15 kilometres per hour when she braked, lost control and hit the pole, police said.

### Minor injuries

A Terra Cotta woman received minimal injuries after avoiding an oncoming vehicle driving partially in her lane Dec. 29. She was northbound on Winston Churchill Boulevard near Terra Cotta when she swerved to miss the car and ended up in the ditch, police said. Damage to her 1987 Pontiac was \$3,000.

### Impaired

A 52-year-old Acton man was charged with impaired driving after being stopped in a spot check at 4:45 p.m. Dec. 31. He was stopped on Trafalgar Road and Maple Avenue in Georgetown and will appear in court Jan. 26.

### Break-in

Acton Family Cleaners on Queen Street was broken into the evening of Dec. 30, but nothing was taken. After twisting off the lock on the door an attempt was made to pry open the cash register. It was never opened. The register could have been opened by pressing a button on it, police said. Damage to the register was \$700 and the door lock received \$100 damage.

### Burger robbers

Nick's Hamburgers, Fish and Chips in Acton was robbed of \$155 cash over the night of Dec. 30. The lock to the 70 Main Street North store was removed and the cash float was taken, police said.

### VW slides

Ice on a Trafalgar Road curve caused a Volkswagen to slide into the path of a tractor trailer Friday at 12:15 p.m. A Norval man was northbound on Trafalgar Road near Steeles Avenue when he hit ice, slid into southbound traffic and hit the tractor, police said. Damage to the tractor was \$400 and the Volkswagen received \$3,000 damage.

### Fails to yield

A Cheltenham man failing to yield the right-of-way caused a two-vehicle accident Dec. 30 at 12:06 p.m.

The accident at Mountainview Road and Guelph Street occurred when the driver of a 1983 Pontiac pulled out of a gas station and into Mountainview Road traffic, police said. Damage to the Cheltenham man's car was \$3,500. The other car received \$800 damage.

# Four boys battle TV networks for fun, profit

By SANDY CAMPBELL  
Herald Staff

Four Georgetown boys kept a 1986 New Year's resolution but were anxious to break it in 1987. Each boy was \$200 richer because of a bet with their parents.

Mark and David Boere, and Matthew and Zack Parent survived a year without television. On Jan. 1, 1987 each was entitled to their \$200.

With "so many good shows on", the bet ended just in time, said David. David is two years younger than his brother Mark, who is 11 years old. "We're going to have to catch up to everyone else," said Mark, about returning to television.

Although confident they could complete the resolution, the boys did not do it with ease. Six months into

become a profitable one for David and Mark. With their \$200, each boy plans to buy a mountain bike.

The bet is over for the boys. There are no plans to repeat it in 1987. However, the following year is a possibility, David said.

Truthfully, the boys were not without the use of the family's two televisions for the entire year. They were allowed to watch movies on their VCR and programs of value which were taped, Mr. Boere said.

Because Dad is a James Bond fan too, the boys saw their share of 007. Taped educational shows like 'The Nature of Things' were also considered within limits. The boys did not have these treats very often, Mr. Boere said.



HELD FOR RANSOM-It's not a stick up, just a recreation of collection day for four Georgetown boys. After successfully completing a year without watching television the Parent and Boere boys received \$200 the endurance test David considered cancelling the bet and taking half the \$200.

Dad didn't make the task the easiest at times. "He would say, 'You can watch. You will save us a lot of money if you do,'" Mark said.

The temptation was in fun. Actually, Mr. Boere was happy to see his boys succeed and proud of that accomplishment. "Hopefully they learned something about will power," said Nick Boere.

The boys certainly learned more in school. Their marks improved, Mr. Boere said. David and Mark attend the French immersion school Ecole Sacre-Coeur. Their reading, writing and French comprehension improved.

The boys were not the only ones to benefit from a turned off TV. The family was brought closer together. Instead of watching TV, especially on Saturday morning, the family did more things together.

What has been an enriching experience for the family has also

each from their parents Jan. 1. Seen here (from left) are David Boere, Zack Parent, Mark Boere and Matthew Parent. Handing over the money is Sue Boere. (Herald photo)

Now the year-long fast is over, Mark and David are eager to see the latest that's on TV. The Ghost Buster cartoon, comedies and sports are some of the shows they will be tuning in regularly.

Dad may be intervening and regulating the boys' watching, he said. If the old habits of watching too much TV returns, Mr. Boere will be stepping in. "I would like to see the TV used as a medium of learning," he said.

The idea to abstain from TV for an entire year was the Parents', Matthew and Zack, who are the same ages as the Boere boys and attend the same school. The boys and their parents are good friends.

For now, Mark and David Boere are not interested in overindulging in TV. Too much TV gives David headaches and Mark is planning to limit himself to three or four shows a day. "We had a good time doing it," David said of living without TV. "You can do a lot of things without TV," Mark said.

# Bringing in the New Year with bangs, criminal busts

By SANDY CAMPBELL  
Herald Staff

In more ways than one, all was not quiet on New Year's Eve. Around Halton Hills there were several incidents which kept Halton Regional Police officers busy.

A 46-year-old Georgetown woman was charged with aggravated assault and using a weapon dangerous to public peace for cutting her husband with a knife, police said. Police were called to the King Street home in Georgetown at 11:51 p.m. New Year's Eve. Her husband received three stitches to his left shoulder and was released from Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital.

Four people were charged by police at a New Year's party where parents were away. Police arrived at a Queen Street home in Acton at 12:30 a.m. after fights broke out and doors and windows were damaged. The parents of the host were away, police said.

A 23-year-old was charged with breach of probation. Three others will face fines for being intoxicated and trespassing.

A 16-year-old, who was found passed out in a snow bank on Pennington Crescent, was charged with underage drinking. He was found at 2 a.m. Jan. 1.

Nine washing machines at Bar-raiger's Cleaners had their fronts kicked and dented between 6 and 11 p.m. Dec. 31. Damage to the 106 Guelph Street business totalled \$1,000.

A large block of ice was thrown through a picture window of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario in Acton New Year's Eve. Damage to the 256 Queen St. business was \$750, police said.

A garbage can was thrown through the window of the door at Acton's YMCA at 3:15 a.m. Jan. 1. Damage to the door at 40 Mill Street East was \$50.

# Garbage will highlight 1987

## Halton Region

10 years and began during Mr. Pomeroy's term as mayor of Halton Hills. Over the next few years it is expected to bring both residential and industrial growth to the town.

The year saw a further refinement of the region's auditing procedures which are the key to the organization's success.

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**NOTICE**  
Notice of intention to stop up, close and convey Spring Street, a road allowance lying between Ewing and Ontario Streets in the Town of Halton Hills (Georgetown).  
Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Town of Halton Hills intends to pass a By-law to stop up, close and convey part of the street known as Spring Street, shown as all of Spring Street as shown on Registered Plan 89.

This notice was first published on the 7th day of January, 1987.  
J. A. Simon, M.B.A.  
Administrator-Clerk  
Town of Halton Hills  
P.O. Box 128  
HALTON HILLS (Georgetown),  
Ontario, L7G 4T1  
Ad 739

# Acton has a Futures

Acton has a Futures, don't be fooled.

In an article published in The Herald Dec. 30 on Page 3, we mentioned the employment program for youths had offices in Milton and Georgetown.

However, there's also an office in Acton, the site of the YMCA on 42 Mill Street. You can phone for more information about the program by calling 853-1070 or 877-6979.

Futures is a provincially funded program designed to help youth find jobs. Candidates received counselling and placement opportunities while the government

pays employers for on-the-job training of clients

# Basement in flames

A fire which began in the basement of a Georgetown home New Year's Day would have been much worse had someone not been home, said Fire Prevention Officer Bob Meads.

The fire began in the basement of 38 Edith St. at 5:15 p.m. Embers from the chimney clean out fell on to the couch. The fire spread from the couch to a chair, rug and ceiling. Damage was estimated at \$3,000.

"It might have been worse. They got off easy," Mr. Meads said. Damage would have been less, if a smoke detector was in the basement, Mr. Meads said.

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Information meetings are being held to explain Grade 1 and Grade 7 French Immersion programs, starting in September, 1987.  
LOCATIONS of information meetings:  
**ACTON** — Wednesday, January 21, 1987, 7:30 p.m.: Robert Little Public School, 41 School Lane.  
**GEORGETOWN** — Wednesday, January 21, 1987, 7:30 p.m.: George Kennedy Public School, 75 Weber Drive.  
**MILTON** — Wednesday, January 14, 1987, 7:30 p.m.: E.W. Foster Public School, 320 Coxw Boulevard.  
Arlene F. Bruce  
Chair  
Wally Boever  
Director

**Tasty Recipes**  
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**CHERRY CAKE**  
— 1 cup butter  
— 3/4 cup sugar  
— 3 eggs  
— 2 1/2 cups cake flour  
— 1 tsp. baking powder  
— 1/4 tsp. salt  
— 1/2 cup milk  
— 2 cups glazed cherries  
— 1/4 cup chopped citron or 1/2 cup chopped, blanched almonds  
— Grated rind of 1 lemon  
Cream butter and sugar; add eggs one at a time. Sift flour, baking powder and salt. Quarter cherries and mix fruit with a little flour. Add sifted dry ingredients and milk to the creamed mixture. Fold in flour and nuts. Bake in 375° oven in greased loaf pan for 10 minutes, then reduce heat to 350° and bake about 1 hour and 10 minutes longer.  
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