

Police beat

Tables turned

Police say an unknown person removed \$250 in goods from a Georgetown home. Two tables were taken from a Heather Court residence in May or June.

Vehicle damaged

A 1985 Safari Wagon was damaged between Aug. 17 and 18, police say. An unknown suspect scratched the vehicle's paint and broke a window as the vehicle was parked at a Campbell Gate residence. Damages total \$900.

Stereo removed

A Blaupunkt stereo and Pioneer speakers were taken from a 1979 Corvette during the first two weeks of August, say police. The vehicle, parked on Armstrong Avenue, Georgetown, was apparently locked at the time of the incident. The stereo system is valued at \$800.

Assault charge

A Georgetown man, 29, is charged with assault following an incident with his female cohabitant. Police say a suspect allegedly slapped the woman, breaking her nose. The Georgetown man, charged with assault, level two, appeared in court Thursday for a bail hearing.

Charges laid

Two Georgetown youths and one Oakville youth have been charged in connection with the robbery of a Guelph Street gas station June 29 or 30. A window was broken causing \$50 damage and \$100 cash was removed, police say. The youths, aged 15, 16 and 17 will appear in court Sept. 22. They were arrested by Halton police Aug. 21.

Charge laid

A Wasaga Beach woman, 33, was charged by Halton police with assault Saturday following an altercation with a 13-year-old girl. Police say the girl was allegedly struck in the face, slapped and "punched in the back" at a Mill Street, Acton residence. The woman will appear in Milton Court Aug. 26.

Microwave missing

Police report the theft of a microwave oven valued at \$400 from an Acton business. An unknown suspect entered the Perth Street location while workers were in the building's rear between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Aug. 20, say police.

Hubcaps taken

Four hubcaps were taken from a Guelph Street car lot sometime between Aug. 18 and 19, say police. Police say the hubcaps, valued at \$100, were taken from a 1988 GMC Rally Van.

Tools removed

Tools, mechanical equipment and supplies valued at \$2,300 were taken from a Guelph Street business Thursday night, say police. According to police, there may be a suspect for the robbery, which occurred between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Rims, tires missing

Four tire rims and three tires were stolen from the lawn of an Acton home sometime last weekend, say police. The chrome rims and tires valued at \$400 were sitting beside the Bower Street residence garage.

Firefighters respond to calls

Fire officials were called to the scene of a car accident August 19 at 11:32 p.m. to remove a trapped passenger. Officials used hand tools to cut away metal pieces from the vehicle, and remove the victim.

A fire call at Winston Churchill Boulevard Saturday afternoon was the result of a farmer burning garbage, fire officials say.

Two false alarms on Aug. 21, one at 60 Park Avenue, Georgetown and the other at Ninth Line, Halton Hills, kept fire officials busy. The Ninth Line alarm was activated around 3:30 p.m., and the Park Avenue alarm, the result of a hot shower, was activated at 10 p.m.



A pizza-cutting ceremony took the place of a traditional ribbon-cutting, as the new Pizze Delight at 210 Guelph St., opened on the weekend. The restaurant specializes in Italian-style dishes, as well as pizza and submarines. Doing the honors are, from left, owners Al and Joan Castiglione; Stephen O'Hara, Regional Training Co-ordinator for Pizze Delight; Halton Hills Mayor Russ Miller; and John Tobin, Executive Vice-President for Pizze Delight. (Herald photo)



Katie Blyth adds a little blush to her make-up as she prepares for her part in *The Secret of the All Night Cafe*, Thursday night at the John Elliott Theatre. The production was staged by Theatre Camp 1988, a program put on by the Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department.

Region ready to take part in Africa 2000

Halton Region will take part in a federal initiative to aid African cities.

External Affairs Minister Joe Clark wants municipalities to take part in the "Africa 2000" program geared to "twin" a region in Canada with a city in Africa in need of technical expertise.

The program is being organized by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Halton decided Aug. 17 to send Regional Chairman Pete Pomeroy, Chief Administrative Officer John Fleming and a yet to be appointed citizen to participate in the first phase of the program - a fact finding mission to determine what kind of technical expertise the African city needs.

Cairo, Egypt and Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania are two cities named as possible "twins" to Halton Region, according to a report by Mr. Fleming.

The program would not involve donating money but rather expertise on services such as water and sewage treatment, public health,

day care for children, parks and recreation programming and basic management practices.

The first phase of the program is expected to cost Halton about \$30,000 in staff time, said Mr. Fleming.

Phase Two, which consists of actually sending the experts over to Africa to work with the people, will be paid for by fundraising activities within the Region and not by taxpayers' dollars, said Mr. Fleming.

Each community would be expected to raise about \$20,000 which would be matched by the budget of the Africa 2000 program.

Plans call for the first representatives of the program to visit Africa this fall, said Mr. Fleming.

In the first phase, the three designates from each municipality would visit their "twin" city for about three weeks, then return to their region and submit recommendations on what type of help should be supplied.

"It is not often that we can offer our staff an opportunity to do something quite as unusual as this," said Mr. Fleming in a report.

"In my opinion, those opportunities are more than worth the expenditure of staff time."

In a recorded vote, which followed a 40-minute debate featuring several passionate pleas both in favor of and against the project, Halton decided 13-6 in favor of participating in Africa 2000.

Halton Hills Mayor Russ Miller, Ward 2 Coun. Pam Sheldon and Ward 4 Coun. Marilyn Serjeantson supported the motion.

Ward 1 Coun. Rick Bonnette opposed participating in Africa 2000. Ward 3 Coun. John McDonald was absent.

The debate centred around whether or not Halton as a regional municipality should begeting involved in foreign aid which is perceived as a federal responsibility.

Burlington's James Grieve and Joan Little, Milton's Bill Johnson, and Oakville Coun. Fred Oliver spoke against the project.

Regional Chairman Pete Pomeroy, Burlington's Pam McLaughlin and Walter Mulkewich,

and Burlington Mayor Roly Bird pushed for Halton to participate in Africa 2000.

"I don't think it's an appropriate way to spend property tax dollars," said Coun. Grieve.

"It comes under the category of foreign aid but I wasn't aware the Region of Halton act put us in the category of foreign aid," added Coun. Little.

Coun. Johnson opposed the idea saying aid often doesn't get to its intended destination.

"What we donate very seldom reaches people who need it the most," he said.

But Mayor Bird made a lengthy pitch to support the project.

"I want to see people take the opportunity to stretch their minds. Here's an opportunity to send people from the Region who have expertise," he said.

"We can give, we can contribute and we can do it in a fashion that's not going to be costly to us." "It's certainly a lot better than spending millions of dollars in

federal funds on a couple of boatloads that never get to where they're going," added Coun. McLaughlin.

Chairman Pomeroy also made a plea to support the project.

He even offered to pay his own expenses.

"How can anyone really take exception to Halton taking part in this program?" he asked.

"I'm a great supporter of visiting other areas and finding out information," he said.

"If it's that much of a consideration I would gladly pay it myself."

Mr. Pomeroy also volunteered to help raise money in the community for the project.

'Major gaps' in mental health service

A report on children's mental health needs in Halton does not include a provision for round the clock treatment of adolescents, an Oakville councillor says.

"It remains a very great gap in this region," said Coun. John Graham about the lack of emotional support for children in Halton.

"Where are the provisions being made in Halton for disturbed adolescents?" Coun. Graham asked.

"There is none," he said.

The report, prepared by a joint committee of the Halton District Health Council and the Children's

Services Co-ordinating and Advisory Group, said "major gaps" exist in children's mental health services. The gaps include "shortage or complete lack of multi-disciplinary assessment and treatment services, a dedicated residential and day treatment program, early identification programs, special resources for children with multiple needs, and affordable housing for older youth."

The report ranked expansion of the children's assessment and treatment centre to North Halton and Oakville from Burlington as

Halton's first priority.

Such an expansion is anticipated to cost around \$440,000.

The second priority, a proposal by Burlington's Woodview treatment centre to open a day treatment centre in Halton Hills should cost around \$91,000.

A \$76,000 region-wide sexual abuse program was ranked third on Halton's list of priorities.

The programs are expected to be funded by a \$500,000 grant from the Ministry of Community and Social Services in February.

Youth remains in fair condition

A Georgetown youth was listed in fair condition in intensive care at Mississauga General Hospital Tuesday, after being injured in an accident Friday night.

Halton Regional Police says a 1983 Ford Thunderbird was detected by police radar travelling at a high rate of speed on Main Street in Georgetown, near the Moore Park Plaza.

Police took up pursuit of the vehicle and attempted to stop it by activating the cruiser's roof lights. However, the Thunderbird continued to pick up speed and came in collision with another vehicle. It left the road near the intersection of Highway 7 and Trafalgar Road, at

the turnoff to Ballinafad. The car rolled over before coming to rest in the ditch.

A 16-year-old male passenger in the Thunderbird was severely injured in the accident and had to be removed from the wreckage by firefighters. He was transported to Mississauga hospital.

The Thunderbird was demolished in the accident. The driver of the Thunderbird, a 17-year-old Georgetown youth, and the operator of the other vehicle, a 37-year-old Georgetown man, both received minor injuries.

Charges had not been laid Tuesday, pending the outcome of an investigation by the Halton Regional Police Traffic Unit.

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