

Outlook on Halton Hills

School mourns again



GDHS News

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This past Wednesday, the students of GDHS said goodbye to another friend. A 17-year-old GDHS student, Shawn McNeil, died early Sunday morning after he was struck down in a traffic accident. The friends and family of Shawn Thomas McNeil gathered at 10 a.m. Wednesday morning at Holy Cross Church to bury their friend.

In the wake of Shawn's death, just one month after that of Phil Miller's, many students have echoed the phrase, "who's next." This should never be. If, in just 17 short years, one such as Shawn has managed to bring joy and happiness into the lives of others, then reflect on those times of joy and happiness, remembering just what kind of friend Shawn was. Time, they say, heals all wounds. Memories last a lifetime.

In other high school news, both the senior and junior girls swim team played host to Ridley College of Oakville this past Wednesday. This is an annual event in which each school takes turns hosting each other for this "fun meet." It was the job of the boys' team to officiate and to act as waiters during the dinner that was held after the meet. The Rebs now are training hard for the upcoming meet at McMaster towards the end of October.

On Tuesday, Wednesday, and

Thursday of this past week, the school awards assemblies took place. Last year's students from Grades 9-12 were honored. The Stage Band was out in full force, ushering everyone into the cafeteria with the sweet sounds of jazz.

A week ago Friday, the first edition of the GDHS Press was out, filled with all the fact and fiction that's worthy the print. The paper, however, is seriously short of contributing editors. In short, WE NEED PEOPLE!! Without them, the paper may not last further than the second semester as some of the editors will be graduating in January. If you are at all interested in journalism as a possible career choice, give the Press a try. It's good practical experience, and it also looks great on a resume.

On Nov. 16, the three candidates representing the riding of Halton-Peel will be at GDHS for a debate and question period on the upcoming elections. Although most of the students at GDHS are still too young to vote, this is of particular interest to the students of Law, History, and Economics at GDHS. This event was organized by a group of Grade 12 Media students at GDHS.

High school band, Smalltown Bringdown, will be entering the studio later on this month to lay down about four songs of their repertoire for future use. As you may recall, Smalltown Bringdown was formed when other prominent GDHS bands split. The band also plans to enter the annual "High School Battle of the Bands" competition in the new year.

That's all for now, folks. Tune in next week for more of the events and happenings at everybody's favorite high school.



Leaders of Tomorrow

These are the Leaders of Tomorrow. Georgetown District High School students attended a Halton Board of Education conference in Oakville Oct. 14 to prepare them for leadership roles in the future. The day included

workshops and talks by speakers, including Mayor Bill Perras of Oakville. Left to right are Lisa Vogt, John Cruise, John Jickling, Angie Cook, Mandy Beecham and Kevin McMurray. (Herald photo)

Police investigating series of break-ins

Halton Regional Police are investigating the possibility of a connection in four daytime burglaries that took place in Georgetown this week.

Sometime between 2:30 p.m. and 4:15 p.m. Sunday afternoon, a Byron Street residence was entered after an east side door had been forced, causing \$200 damage. Nothing was taken, say police.

Monday, \$1,270 worth of goods were taken from a Raylawn Cres. residence between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3:20 p.m. Included in the missing items are a guitar, some jewelry and \$35 in cash. Police say entry was gained through a basement window on the west side of the house.

Tuesday, also during the day, \$1,300 worth of computer equipment

was taken from a Hall Road residence. Police say an unknown suspect entered through a kitchen door on the south side of the building sometime between 8:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, a suspect was seen at a Brucewood Street residence, where a third break-and-enter was reported around 2:40 p.m. A neighbor describes the suspect as about 5-ft. 10-in. tall with black hair. The window of this residence was damaged as an attempt was made to push it off its tracks, say police.

"There is a possible connection between the robberies," said Det. Sgt. Keith Robertson of Halton's Georgetown Police precinct.

Police continue to investigate the burglaries.

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Canadians get discount on mailing greeting cards

Canada Post Corporation has announced the 1988 Greet More program through which Canadians again will receive a discount on postage for greeting cards - five cents off each card mailed in Canada.

In response to consumer reaction in previous years and in cooperation with the Canadian Gift Packaging and Greeting Card Association, Canada Post has continued to make improvements to the Greet More program to make it even easier for customers to use.

"This is clearly a program which responds to our customers' needs and is growing in popularity every year," said John Aiken, Canada Post Vice President, Field Operations and Sales. "It is also an excellent way to encourage the most effective and efficient use of the postal system at this time of year when volumes of mail are traditionally highest."

The combination of the coded envelopes and the special 32-cent

postage stamps allows consumers to save money, and speeds up the mailing process to the point where Canada Post can handle millions more cards more quickly at less cost.

Some 30 greeting card manufacturers are involved in the program this year, as well as charitable organizations such as UNICEF.

Previous years' coded envelopes can be used again this year with the 32-cent Christmas stamp, for those customers who may still have a supply on hand.

The special stamps are available at all postal outlets until Dec. 24, 1988, and can be used for cards posted from now to Jan. 31, 1989. The Greet More greeting cards are available where cards are normally sold, and are easily identified with the Greet More logo.

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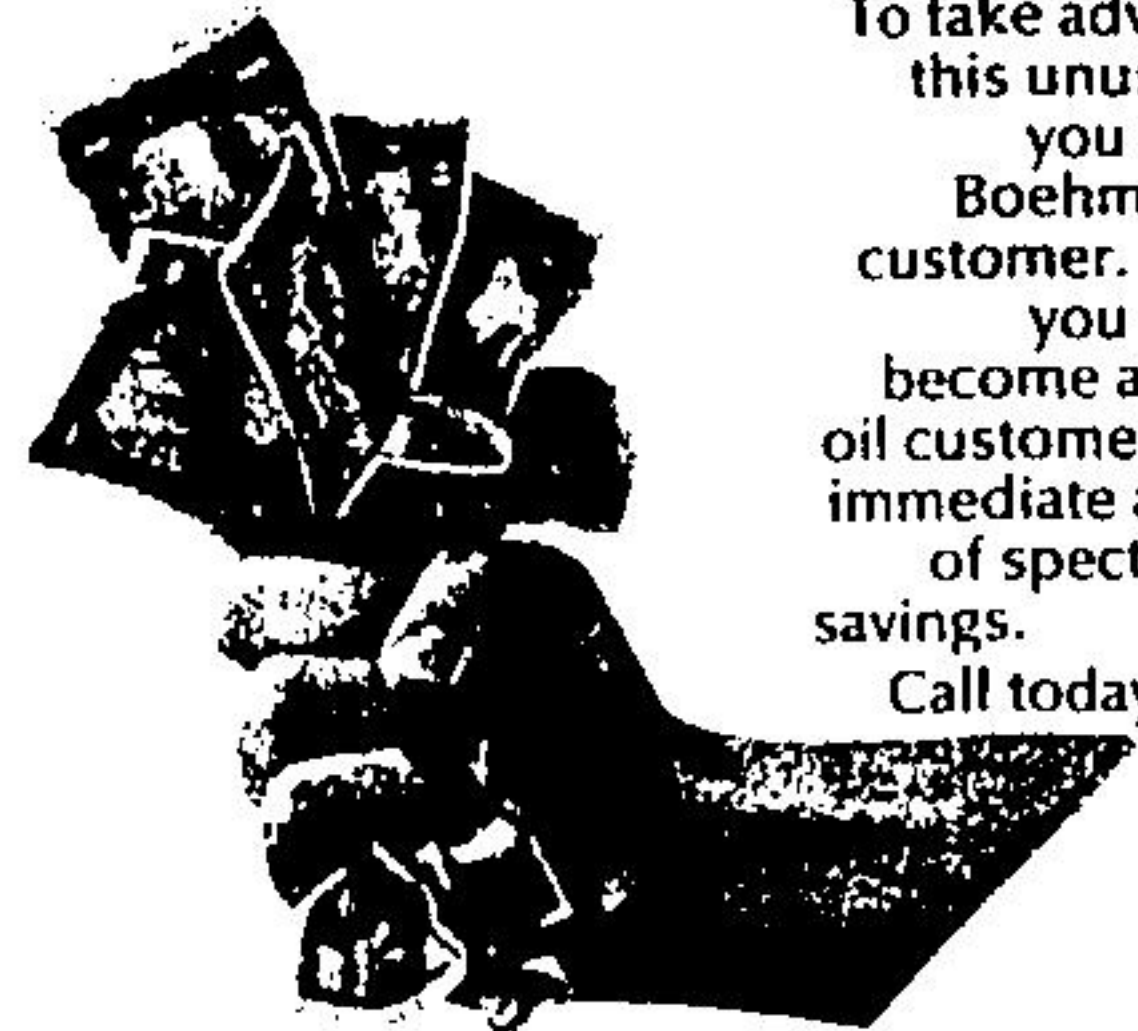
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