



### A twist in Oliver

Avenging his mother from Noah Claypole's (played by Jennifer Murray) insults, Oliver Twist (played by Andrea Orton) throws a punch. The two will be appearing in Stewarttown Public School's play, Oliver.

The play will be staged at the John Elliott Theatre on April 10, 11 and 12. Anyone interested in purchasing tickets should call 873-1637. (Herald photo)

## Town considers bylaw to stop UAL stripping land

The town's planning staff is currently considering the possibility of a bylaw forcing United Aggregates to stop stripping the land on the south side of the company's property.

Pat Woode of the local environmental group, Ecological Awareness Group - Landscape and Environment (EAGLE) urged town council Monday night to pass the by-law because the group fears continued stripping will destroy the "environmentally important" area.

Councillors told its planning staff to conduct a study on the feasibility of a bylaw.

Ms. Woode told council the stripping is the first step in the aggregate company's plan to expand its quarry to the south side of its property.

The lands and aggregate supervisor for the Cambridge office of the provincial ministry of natural resources, Don Routly, has confirmed stripping is happening on the south side of Sideroad 22 and that United Aggregates has every intention to quarry this section of the property.

And Mr. Routly also said the company has "every right" to quarry this area.

EAGLE has already approached the ministry of environment, the ministry of natural resources, the Town of Milton and the Niagara Escarpment Commission in an attempt to have the stripping stopped. But it has met with limited success.

The MOE has advised United Aggregates to stop stripping activity until it determines if an environmental assessment of the property is needed. The MNR has told EAGLE it can't stop the stripping but it will consider altering the United Aggregates quarry licence preventing it from quarrying the south side. Ms. Woode told council the minister of the MNR, Lyn McLeod has agreed to meet with EAGLE as part of a coalition of environmental groups on the issue. The meeting will happen in the near future, Ms. Woode told councillors.

Both the NEC and the town of Milton have supported the proposal that an environmental assessment of the area be carried out.


A Milton staff reporter says if current quarrying in the area increases the drinking water in

Georgetown could be contaminated.

Councillor Al Cook asked if EAGLE wanted United Aggregates to stop all quarrying. Giuseppe Gori, of EAGLE told the councillor no, but the existing quarry will be exhausted in the next five years.

EAGLE also asked council to support an environmental assessment to petition the MNR to alter the United Aggregate quarry licence and to support the Halton Region position that the Region should be allowed to have an influence on the granting of new licences.

The town's planning staff said these request will be included in the report.



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### Three-car collision

Halton Regional Police say a 26-year-old Georgetown man has been charged with following too close after a three-car collision. A 1980 GMC was travelling west on Guelph Street at 8:18 a.m., April 4 when the car in front made a left hand turn. The driver of the GMC hit the brakes. The GMC went out of control, slid sideways and collided with an eastbound 1982 Volkswagon, driven by a 44-year-old Georgetown man. The force of the impact sent the Volkswagon into the curb lane. The Volkswagon collided with a 1985 Mercury, driven by a 43-year-old Georgetown woman. No injuries were reported at press time.

### Two-car collision

A two-car collision at 11:17 a.m. April 3 at the intersection of Princess Anne Drive and Mary Street has resulted in a 28-year-old Georgetown man being charged with an improper turn. A 1988 Honda, driven by a 48-year-old Georgetown woman, was stopped behind a 1983 Ford which was stopped at a stop sign. Police say the Ford was backing up to avoid spray from a road sweeper when the two vehicles collided. The Honda received moderate damage and the Ford received light damage.

## Police Beat

### Charge laid

Police say a 45-year-old Georgetown woman has been charged with following too close after an accident at 3:35 p.m. April 3 at the intersection of Guelph Street and Mill Street. A 1973 A.M.C. driven by an 18-year-old Norval man, was sitting at a red light on Guelph Street while a 1978 Chevrolet was travelling in the same direction as the A.M.C. The light turned green when the collision occurred, police say. Both cars received light damage.

### Car-van accident

A 29-year-old Don Mills man was charged with failing to stop following an accident April 1 at 9:30 p.m. at the intersection of Ninth Line and Sideroad 10, police say. A 1987 Pontiac travelling south on Sideroad 10 collided with a 1980 Ford van, driven by a 26-year-old man, when one of the vehicles did not stop for a stop sign, police say. The Pontiac received moderate damage. The van received light damage.

## Students may soon write fewer tests

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One school would have to be at the top and the other would have to be at the bottom, he said. "I don't want the 16th (last place school) attacked for the wrong reasons."

Mr. Caldarelli also said the tests must be changed as the curricula evolve. The curriculum must always be evolving, he said. "If we think we've adopted a curriculum... that's bunk."

Bryn Davies, principal of Georgetown District High School, said the new guidelines are a good idea. He said, "there is a temptation to compare students and schools." He added this may psychologically make teachers

teach towards tests.

Mr. Davies thinks the new guidelines "gets around the dilemma of compelling all kids and programs to be limited" to written tests.

He added the ideal test would judge attitude, skills, creativity, problem solving, physical agility, the ability to work with others as well as knowledge.

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