

### Impaired driving

A 41-year-old Texas man has been charged with impaired driving after his 1987 grey Honda CRX went off River Road and into the south ditch July 18, just before 1 a.m. Police say the driver drove out of the ditch and in to a parking area west of River Road where he was arrested. Moderate damage was done to the Honda.

### Theft from home

A stereo, jewelry box and television were stolen from a home on the Townline just north of Sideroad 14 July 17 between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. Police say the home was entered through an open bedroom window. No damage or markings were found at the scene.

### Truck entered

Between July 16 and 17, a CB radio and stereo, worth \$250, were stolen from a 1988 Freight cab truck parked in front of residences at Sideroad 15 west of Fourth Line. Police say the truck was broken into after the window was removed from the cab.

### House break-in

A home near Sideroad 15, just a mile west of Highway 25, was broken into July 17 between 9:30 a.m. and 12 p.m. and a stereo, chainsaw and toolbox were stolen. Police say the \$1,000 in goods was stolen after culprits entered the premises through an unlocked side door.

### Residence burglary

A stereo and speakers, television, computer, microwave and two VCRs, worth \$7,669, were stolen from a home near Sixth Line and Sideroad 15 between July 17 at 10 a.m. and July 18 at 1 a.m.

### Contents stolen

About \$1,415 worth of contents were stolen from a 1986 grey Chevrolet Astro Van, parked in front of 61 Church St., Acton. The van was broken into between July 15 at 11 p.m. and July 16 at 10:30 p.m. Police say culprits entered through the locked rear door of

the van and stole a CB radio, binoculars, four pairs of sunglasses, various baseball equipment and \$150 worth of cassette tapes.

### Tool stolen

Before 7:30 a.m. on July 16, \$740 worth of tools and oil products were stolen from a residence near Sideroad 10 and the Fifth Line. Police say the culprits entered storage sheds by prying locks open with a screwdriver or a crow bar and removed various equipment and oil products.

### Door kicked open

A television, VCR and jewelry, worth \$2,100, were stolen from a Fifth Line and Sideroad 5 address between July 16 from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Police say entry was gained by kicking open a locked kitchen door. Reports indicated the culprits apparently searched through the premises beginning with the dining room. Silverware was left untouched.

A jewelry box was removed from a dresser in a bedroom and a television, VCR and remote control were taken from the main floor family room.

### Mischief charge

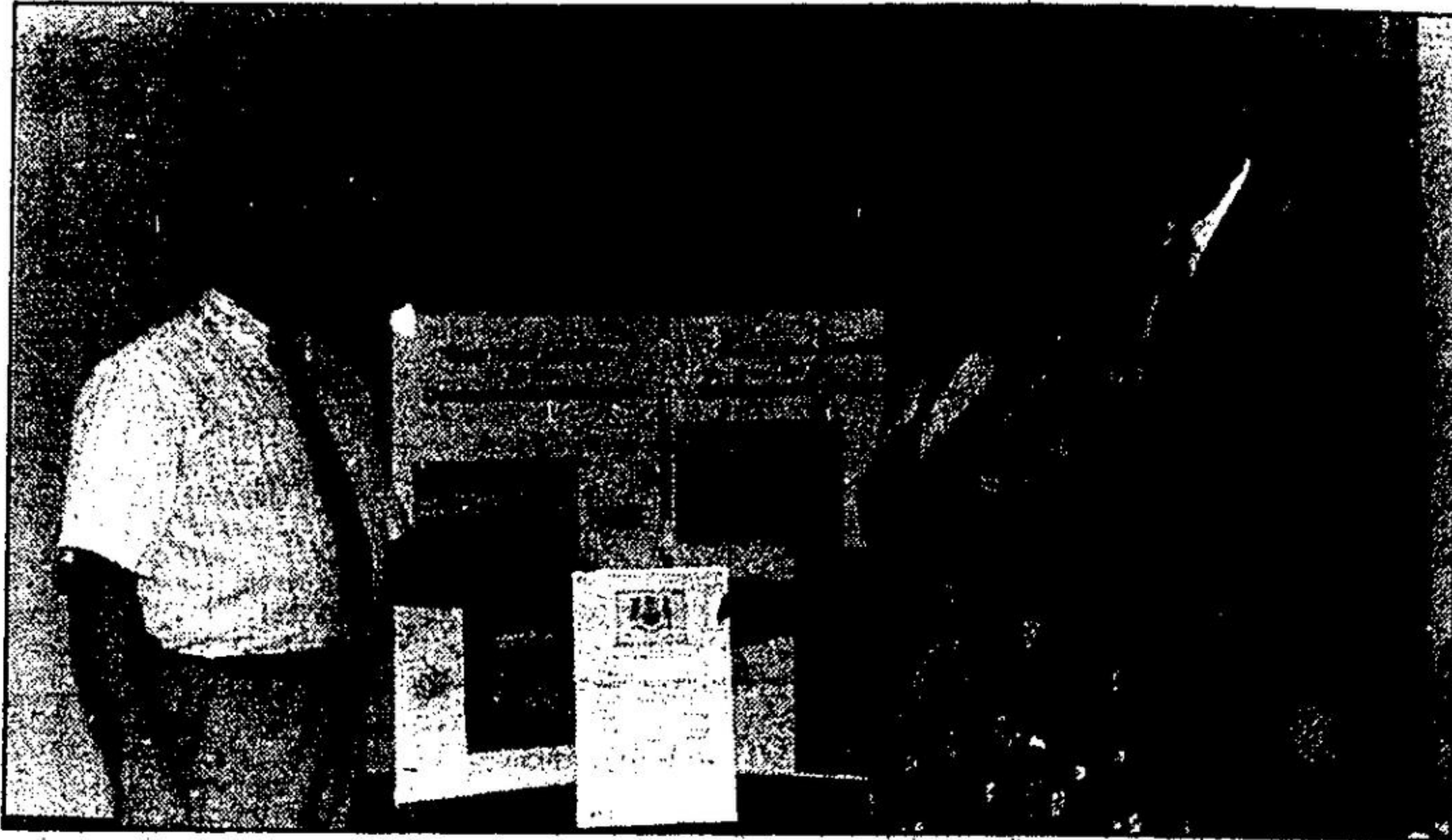
A man, who reported a stolen stereo and vehicle damage from his Mountainview Road address has been charged with public mischief. Police investigations revealed conflicting facts resulting in the complainant's confession of committing the theft.

### Renegade robbed

Close to \$1,000 in stereo equipment and cassettes were stolen from a 1986 Jeep blue Renegade, parked in front of a John Street, Acton address about 7 a.m. July 18. Police say the culprits entered through the locked driver's door.

### Restaurant theft

Police suspect a former employee of Marty's Too Restaurant, at 278 Guelph St., was responsible for stealing about \$800 in cash, beer and juice early this week. A rock was thrown through the glass door and the culprits reached through the hole and unlocked the door. Cash was taken from the cash register and from a hidden area above the stove.



### Plaque presentation

Mary Hutchinson (centre), a board member of the North Halton Developmentally Handicapped Association, accepts a plaque in recognition of service from Halton North MPP Walt Elliott (left) and the association's Executive Director Andy Rotama (right). The association is celebrating its 35th Anniversary. (Herald Photo)

## Working Halton families are eligible for welfare

By LISA RUTLEDGE

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Current legislation allows the heads of some working families to qualify for welfare in some municipalities while the same families wouldn't be eligible in another, says Halton Social Services Commissioner, Bonnie Ewart.

Mrs. Ewart blames unclear wor-

ding of new legislation under the General Welfare Assistance Act, which makes working families eligible for welfare assistance, for creating loopholes in the system.

Lowered welfare eligibility requirements were introduced last fall, however, phrasing allows municipalities to continue interpreting legislation as though the head of a family must be

unemployed to receive welfare, qualified families are being denied assistance, said Mrs. Ewart.

Municipalities can interpret the legislation by looking at financial or categorical eligibility, said the commissioner. If a municipality is only concerned about categorical qualifications, unemployed applicants, a person who is working but requires welfare assistance, will not be eligible, Mrs. Ewart explained. However, in another municipality, a family in which the wage earner is employed, can receive "top-off" assistance, she said.

Mrs. Ewart explained that there are ways to make more families eligible for welfare assistance. Although the head of a family may be employed, the unemployed spouse can qualify for assistance, she said. It's not one way or another in Halton, said Mrs. Ewart.

She was unable to name the exact procedures followed by other municipalities but said the province is split on the issue.

Although the province has made a commitment to clarify the wording of the legislation, the issue of some eligible families being denied assistance because they're employed still remains unresolved, the commissioner maintains. She does not know when to expect new regulations to support and clarify the legislation.

## The search is on for trucking hero

HAMILTON - Somewhere in Canada there is a truck driver who deserves special recognition. The search is on for the trucker who will be named the 35th Firestone National Truck Hero.

Nominations are sought for a Canadian professional truck driver who has performed an act of bravery or heroism. The person or organization that nominates the winner will receive a \$200 cash award.

This award is endorsed by the Canada Safety Council, The Traffic Injury Research Foundation and Firestone.

"Usually truckers receive no recognition for their unselfish acts which frequently avert serious accidents and save many lives. Chances are a professional trucker will be the first on the scene during a road mishap. The annual competition, to recognize this good samaritan, focuses public attention on the many acts of bravery performed by truck drivers," said F. Wayne Mitchell, Senior Vice President Bridgestone/Firestone Canada Inc. "By making this award we are recognizing the inherent attitude towards safety in trucking firms, and Firestone in its own way is promoting safety in the transportation industry," he added.

The 1990 Firestone National Truck Hero will receive a \$1,000 cash prize, a VIP all-expense paid weekend for two at a luxury Toronto Hotel, including first-class travel arrangements from anywhere in Canada and a per-

sonal trophy, all courtesy of Firestone, as well as an inscribed Rolex wrist watch, compliments of the Rolex Watch Company.

The Truck Hero will receive these awards at the Ontario Trucking Association Convention behind held in Toronto, November 21-23, 1990.

Entries will be judged by a panel of judges including representatives from the Canada Safety Council, The Traffic Injury Research Foundation, the trucking industry and Firestone.

Nominations, accompanied by supporting newspaper clippings, witness statements or other evidence, should be sent to: National Truck Hero, c/o Canada Safety Council, Ottawa, Ontario.

The act of bravery must be performed during the year ending September 30, 1990, by a Canadian professional truck driver in Canada. For complete contest rules contact the Canada Safety Council or Firestone.

Nominations must be received by October 10, 1990.

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The young people who will visit us this year are of 29 different nationalities and come from countries as distant as Australia, Japan, Argentina, Belgium and even the Soviet Union. They have been chosen carefully by their country of origin making certain they have the maturity necessary to adapt to a new environment. Interculture Canada makes every effort to match them with families with whom they share interests.

Any family can participate: a couple with or without children, a one-parent family or a young or old couple. The host family should not change its lifestyle but rather share it with the adopted son or daughter. The resulting experience is unique and the ties established between the student and his or her family will last their entire lives. Furthermore, the host family will benefit from the support of Interculture Canada's staff and volunteers throughout the experience.

As a member of "AFS Intercultural Programs", Interculture Canada is part of a bigger world network of high school exchange students. Founded in 1947 and present in 54 countries, this not-for-profit organization aims at promoting friendship between nations.

Families interested in hosting a foreign student during the next high school year should contact Interculture Canada at (514)388-3282 or, toll-free, 1-800-381-7288.

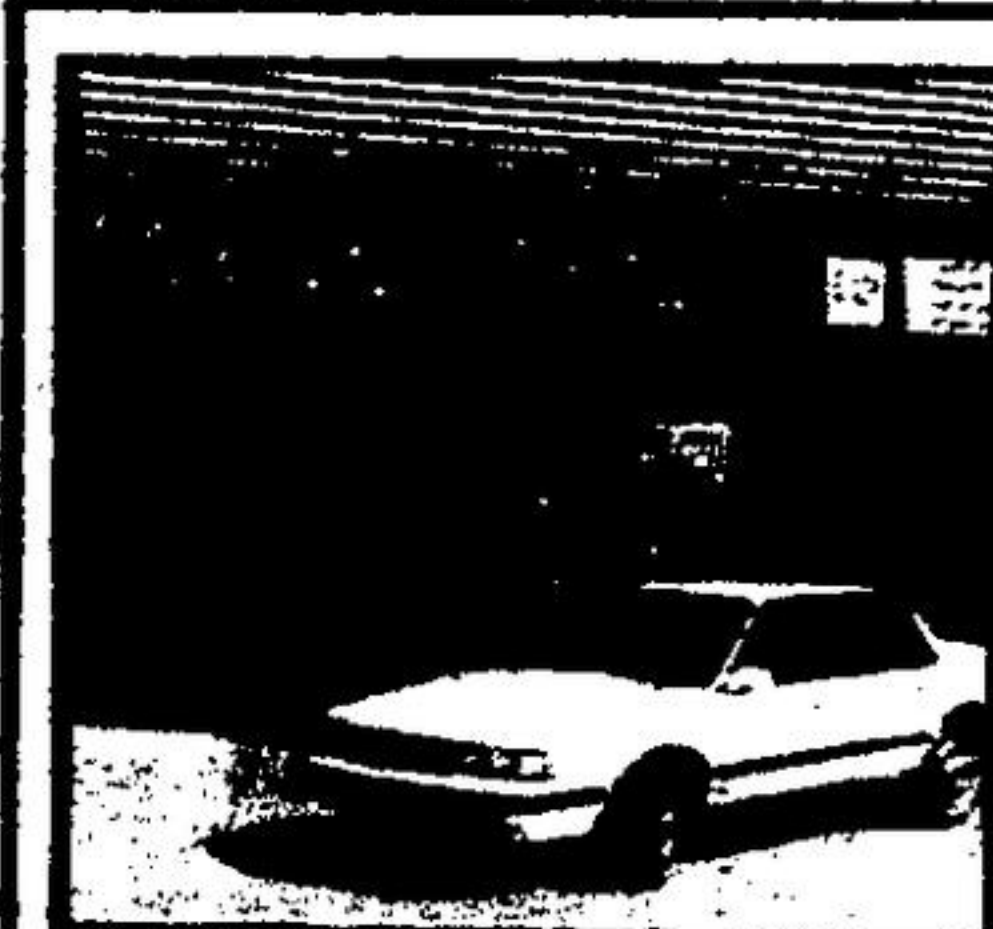


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