



Three-car crash

This three-car accident at Highway 7 just south of Silver Creek Shell, Friday at 2 p.m., resulted in severe damages to two of the three cars involved. One vehicle finally came to rest about 20 metres from

the other two vehicles. No injuries were sustained. It is not known if charges will be laid by police as reports were unavailable at press time. (Herald photo)

Halton Police are busy with liquor-traffic related charges

According to Halton Regional Police statistics, 4,647 traffic-related charges have been laid in Georgetown and Milton between January 1990 and June 1990.

During the six month span, 110 impaired charges were laid against drivers in Milton and Georgetown. The highest rate was 28 impaired drivers in May and the lowest was 12 charges in January.

Records indicate 374 liquor-

traffic related charges were laid during the six months. These charges include under-age drinking and having open liquor bottles in a vehicle. The highest rate came in May at 90 and the lowest was one liquor-related charge in January.

Between January and June, 4,163 traffic violations were laid against drivers in Milton and Georgetown, statistics reveal. These violations include speeding and disobeying

traffic lights and signs. The highest rate came in the month of March and the lowest came in February.

All 4,647 charges laid were laid in a total of 488 working hours by police.

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Money allocated for police training

Solicitor General Steven Offer recently announced that the Ministry is allocating \$100,000 to the Municipal Police Authorities (MPA) for ongoing training of police services boards across Ontario.

"This initiative provides funding for a wide range of training programs for municipal police services boards. This training includes staff relations, human resource management, and race relations/employment equity programs," stated the Solicitor General.

Recently, the Ministry allocated an additional \$3.6 million for training at the Ontario Police College. Both of these allocations are part of the Ministry's three-phase policing strategy, encompassing public consultation, introduction of new legislation, and expanded training.

This government policing strategy helps police meet the challenges of the 1990s and provides enhanced administrative support. The Ministry recognizes that training is the key to developing a closer co-operation between the police and the community as they work towards a safer and more secure environment for all Ontarians.

The new Police Services Act recognizes the changing role of policing and the civilian police services boards. Under the Act, a police services board must be established in every municipality of Ontario which maintains a police force. All boards of commissioners of police which already exist under the Police Services Act will continue as police services board. For the first time, board members will be required to undergo training at the request of the Ministry, which recently received Royal Assent, replacing the 40-year old Police Act.

The MPA was created in 1963 to ensure that the highest degree of professionalism is maintained by police services boards as they direct local police services. Currently, MPA's membership consists of 111 members out of a potential 115 municipal police governing authorities in Ontario.

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