

## Police Beat

### Minor injuries

Three Georgetown residents, including a nine-year-old boy, sustained minor injuries after an accident at Cobblehill Road and Holmesway Place Sept. 15 at approximately 11:10 p.m. Police say an 18-year-old Acton man's blue 1985 Mercury went out of control while westbound on Cobblehill Road. The car went over a culvert and flipped onto the passenger side landing on a fence. The car finally came to rest on its side after striking a parked car in a nearby driveway. Police have charged the driver with careless driving. The Mercury was demolished and the second vehicle, a grey 1989 Pontiac Sunbird was severely damaged.

### Improper lane change

A 36-year-old Brampton man driving a 1990 blue Plymouth on River Road near Maple Avenue, failed to negotiate a turn in the roadway and struck two poles in a guard rail Friday at 1 a.m. Police have charged the driver with making an improper lane change and failing to report fence damages. The vehicle was moderately damaged.

### Following too close

Police have charged a 40-year-old Mississauga man with following too closely after an accident near Main Street North and School Lane in Acton Friday at about 3:50 p.m. It was reported that a 28-year-old Acton man's, 1990 black Ford was stopped at a Main Street crosswalk facing south when the Mississauga man's vehicle struck the stopped car from behind. The vehicle received moderate to light damages.

### Lost control

Two Acton residents received minor injuries after an accident at First Line and Mill Street West in Acton Sunday at about 10:45 a.m. Police say a 20-year-old Acton man, operating a 1988 blue Ford pickup, was southbound on First Line when he lost control of the vehicle in loose gravel. The driver could not regain control and the vehicle went into a ditch, struck three tree stumps and finally came to rest. The pickup was demolished in the accident.

### Weapons ditched

While gardening behind her home near Steeles Avenue and Fifth Line, a woman saw two men leave her home with a quantity of weapons and household goods Thursday at about noon. Police say the woman began yelling out to the men who then dropped the weaponry but escaped with about \$2,500 worth of watches and women's jewelry. The woman told police the two males left the residence in a large white car. Police are looking for a white male who is 20 to 30 years, with dark hair with a moustache and approximately 5 ft., 5 in. to 8 in. The second culprit was described as male white, 18 to 20 years old.

### Tools recovered

Approximately \$600 in stolen tools have been recovered by police after a search warrant was executed at an Acton home Sept. 12. The tools were taken from a home near Eighth Line and 5 Sideroad. Police have charged a 29-year-old Acton resident with possession of stolen property. The man is scheduled to appear

in Milton Provincial Court on Oct. 22, 1990.

### Assault charge

Police have charged an 18-year-old Georgetown male with assault after the man struck another 18-year-old Georgetown male in the face causing minor injuries. The accused is scheduled to appear in Milton Provincial Court on Oct. 19, 1990.

### Fight charges

Police responded to a fight between a 30-year-old male and a 27-year-old male on Friday at 11:30 p.m. near Mill and Willow Streets in Acton. The 30-year-old Acton man was taken to hospital after receiving minor injuries. Police arrested and charged the 27-year-old man with assault causing bodily harm. He is scheduled to appear in Milton Provincial Court Oct. 22, 1990.

### Tactical team arrest

The Halton Regional Police tactical team arrested a 30-year-old Toronto man, assumed armed, at a Maple Avenue construction site Sept. 14 near 11:20 a.m. There was an outstanding warrant for the man's arrest for weapons offences in Toronto. It was suspected the man, who was working at a construction site, was heavily armed, however, police say no weapons were found at the time of the arrest.

### Camera stolen

A \$500 camera was stolen from an unlocked car parked at a private drive on Chipper Street on Sept. 13 between 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. the next morning.

### Threatening charges

Police were forced to arrest the same 16-year-old Georgetown youth twice in the same evening after the youth verbally threatened a Crossways Donut employee and later one of the employee's friends. Police say the youth confronted the 17-year-old Crossways employee on Sept. 14 at about 7:30 p.m. and challenged him to a fight. The police attended and arrested the 16-year-old. After being released, the youth visited a friend of the employee at a Normandy Boulevard address and also made threats. Police arrested the 16-year-old again and charged him with making threats. The youth is scheduled to appear in Milton Provincial Court on Oct. 19, 1990.

### Impaired driving

Police have charged a 36-year-old Burlington male with impaired driving and refusing to submit to a breathalyzer on Sept. 13 at 11:20 p.m. Police stopped the vehicle as it left a large Hornby Park party. Police also stopped the vehicle on Sept. 15 at about 6:30 a.m. after an officer was observed driving irrationally near Sideroad 15 and Cantelay Road. Police charged a 26-year-old Brampton man with impaired driving.

### Fatal accident

Halton Hills firemen responded to a single motor vehicle accident near Sideroad 10 and Ninth Line on Sept. 15 at about 9:08 p.m. They were called to the fatal single-car accident for extrication purposes.

### Couch fire

On Sept. 15 at 11:14 p.m. Halton Hills firemen responded to a couch fire which caused about \$200 damage. Fire officials say the fire was caused by a resident falling asleep while smoking.

## Community Forum

# Is the education system working?



Peggy Dryden, Acton: "I don't think so, because in this day and age kids are slacking off. I don't think kids really care about school. I also think some teachers don't care about the students. They are only doing it for the pay cheque."



Mark Gehr, Milton: "Yes it is, but it does need some updating. It's geared to a few years ago, instead of at today's needs. It's based on too many old-fashioned values and not on today's values."



Marilyn Brodie, Port Credit: "No. Some kids are being allowed to slip through the system. For example in the area of Math and English skills, I think more emphasis should be put on these subjects."

## Turner resigns chairman's seat

By BEN DUMMETT  
The Herald

Halton-Peel MP Garth Turner has resigned his position as chairman of a federal government standing committee established to investigate whether manufacturers will pass on their savings from the Goods and Services Tax to the consumer.

He plans to spend more time speaking with the people of his riding and Canadians in general.

"Chairing a committee takes an awful lot of time and the majority of that is spent arguing about issues," said Mr. Turner.

"I've concluded that during the next two years I want to spend my time proposing more policy changes and I think I can accomplish that if I spend time speaking with the people," he explained. The group he is specifically concerned about is the middle class, saying "it hasn't gotten a fair share of the pie."

When asked if resigning his chairmanship was abandoning the very people he wants to help, Mr. Turner explained he is still going to work to ensure consumers are protected. "I'll continue to bug and lobby Michael Wilson and the rest of the government to get them to think the way I'm thinking," said the MP.

Mr. Turner said he will soon be sending out a brochure on what he thinks are the important issues and asking for people's feedback. The better the response, the more willing the leaders of the government will be ready to listen, said the MP.

Regarding the MP's position on Quebec, Mr. Turner said earlier this year he would state his position in September, and Mr. Turner now says "I'm not going to say to hell with Quebec. We have to negotiate to keep Canada together," explained Mr. Turner. He went on to explain, however, that the negotiations cannot be based on the relationship that ex-

isted between English Canada and Quebec during the 1950's. "It's my position that irrevocably Canada will be changing."

As for English Canada's opinion of Quebec, Mr. Turner said it is "very divided." "Collectively, English Canada doesn't know what it wants," he added. (See also Mr. Turner's column on Page 5).

## Brutal assault still unsolved

Crime Stoppers of Halton are asking for the public's help in solving a brutal assault which took place in Oakville one year ago.

During the evening of Monday, September 18, 1989, Barry Boyce, an Oakville businessman was in Hamilton at the upstairs of the Windsor Hotel. Upon leaving the hotel Mr. Boyce drove his white Ford van to Tim Horton's Donuts at John and Jackson Streets where he picked up two coffees and was joined by a male.

A short time later the van was seen on Jackson Street with Mr. Boyce driving an unknown male passenger.

At 8:30 a.m. the next morning, Mr. Boyce was found unconscious in his Dickie Dee Ice Cream office at Unit #6, 1252 Speers Road, Oakville. He had been brutally beaten and near death from severe head injuries.

The white 1987 Ford van, with the name Snowbird on the sides,

## CRIME STOPPERS



was stolen and later recovered near Hanrahan's Tavern in Hamilton.

Police are seeking information from anyone who may have seen Barry Boyce or his white 1987 Ford van on the night of September 18, 1989, or the stolen vehicle the next day.

If you have any information that leads to an arrest in this or any other case you may be eligible for a cash reward. You need not give your name and your call will be treated with complete anonymity. Please call 1-800-668-5151.

## Tickets available for fundraiser

There are still tickets available for the Oct. 4 fundraising dinner at the Jack Tanner's Table in Acton in support of the Halton Hills Ambulance Service and more specifically the Acton station, said the chairman of the Acton Ambulance Service Committee, Town Councillor Rick Bonnette.

Almost 100 tickets have been sold to date and Mr. Bonnette expects the remaining tickets will be sold out within the next week or two.

During the dinner a draw will be held and the winning ticket holder will win a trip to Atlantic City compliments of Acton Travel, said Mr. Bonnette.

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