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Suspect cleared

Halton Regional Police arrested a Glen Williams man for possession of a stolen \$5,000 trailer but later cleared the matter after hearing his explanation. The 31-year-old suspect was arrested on Jan. 5 based on a statement from an informant, police say. When questioned, the suspect denied his guilt on a video recording and was released unconditionally. The suspect told police the property was stored at his residence upon request of a Hornby man and he agreed, not knowing the property was stolen. The Hornby man said he would pay him \$30 a month to store the trailer but only paid him for one month. The Glen Williams man then took the trailer to a business to sell it with the intention of giving the money to the Hornby man when it was sold. But, the Hornby man committed suicide before the trailer was sold. Police say a computer check confirmed the suicide of the Hornby man and the matter was cleared.

GDHS hit again

Police say Georgetown and District High School has been broken into for the third time in the last couple of weeks. On Jan. 15, at 2:37 a.m., entry was gained into the school through a smashed window. The window was broken directly under a security light indicating the culprits were in a hurry and not intending a prolonged search of the school, police say. The entry was also in plain view of Guelph Street. Police say only one suspect entered the school and the other remained outside which footprints in the snow indicate. The suspect inside the school went to the front counter area where a knapsack was picked up and discarded after the suspect noted the school alarm had activated,

police say. The suspect exited the same way he/she got in and footprints in the snow indicate the suspects ran towards Guelph Street, heading north. Police were able to identify some of the footprints in the snow and say one set were from a basketball-type tread with a circular pattern on the sole of the shoe. Police say the shoe sizes were around eight and nine. Police have no suspects but say the culprits appear to be two youths interested in only taking easily-transportable items.

Property stolen

Between Jan. 9 and Jan. 15, \$150 worth of property was stolen from a Georgetown residence, police say. The property included about \$20 worth of gas and a \$120 battery stolen from a 1978 Ford van. Police have no suspects.

Robbery reported

Police investigated a robbery that took place in October after the victim finally reported the incident to police. Officers were told by a Georgetown man that 350 compact discs worth about \$7,500 were taken from him. The victim said he thought he knew who did it and gave the suspect one month to come up with the money or give back the C.D.'s. Police say the lead proved unsuccessful and the report was filed for insurance purposes.

Lost control

Police say a 1987 Mercury was severely damaged after it's driver lost control of the vehicle on snowy roads and hit two mailboxes. The accident occurred on Jan. 1 at 11:24 a.m. on Winston Churchill Boulevard, north of 5 Sideroad after the vehicle, travelling at 60 kilometres per hour, hit a patch of ice on the snow-covered road and skidded off the roadway into two mailboxes. No charges have been laid.

Maple Avenue house to be demolished in April

By BENDUMMETT
The Herald

The Maple Avenue house in Georgetown on the property proposed for a condominium development will be demolished in mid-April, said Fred Harrison, the real estate agent for the development.

The development company, Burlington-based Zupet and Associates, has decided to demolish the building because no non-profit group has taken advantage of the company's offer to take the home at 339 Maple Avenue, said Mr. Harrison in a telephone interview Tuesday.

Mr. Harrison said the public will be invited to purchase any of the house's contents during the demolition. Money collected will be donated to the Bull family of Georgetown, he said.

Georgetown residents Sheila Bull and daughter Amanda Bull were killed in a tragic auto accident last May. Mrs. Bull's other daughter, Harmony, was seriously injured and is still recovering from injuries suffered in the accident.

Scott Boyes, of Toronto, was sentenced to five years in jail after being convicted on a charge of careless driving causing death, in connection with the accident.

The Halton Hills Builder's Association, said Mr. Harrison, will be on hand during the demolition to recover items in the house people want.

He predicted the demolition

will probably happen the weekend of April 10. Notices will be posted in the local newspapers to publicize the event, added Mr. Harrison.

Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce and the Acton Typhon 197 Air Cadet Squadron were two local groups who expressed interest in obtaining the house.

The development company initially proposed to donate the house to a local non-profit group, said Mr. Harrison. The group would have had to pay the cost to move it to a new location, he said.

Both the Chamber and Air Cadets lost interest in acquiring the house after determining the cost to move the house.

Chamber General Manager, Doug Penrice, said he received moving cost estimates in the \$40,000 range.

The Chamber wanted to move the house to a section of the Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena parking lot. Since the lot is Town property, the Chamber would have leased the house from the Town, said Mr. Penrice. But the cost of moving the house coupled with the need to build a foundation, purchase a new furnace, and do necessary landscaping would have approached \$125,000, he said.

Town Mayor Russ Miller, who

is also a member of the Chamber, said given the tough economic times, the cost was too steep.

The Air Cadets would have had to remove hydro lines to transport the house to a property in the south end of the Acton community, and "we were told forget it, it would be too expensive," said Squadron spokesperson Dave Whiting.

Michelle Fisher, spokesperson for citizen group Residents Active in Development Decisions (RAIDD), said she wasn't surprised no group was willing to accept the original offer. "Most non-profit groups don't have the land or money to move a house," she said.

Meanwhile, the development company has submitted a scaled-down version of its original development proposal. Instead of proposing two 15-storey condominiums, the company is now proposing the build one 10-storey condominium and an eight-storey condominium.

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Stronger stance taken on landfill site

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told committee members the applicants are incorrect in predicting the landfill's contaminating lifespan is probably over 100 years and not 10 to 20 years as RSI claims in its application.

The contaminating lifespan of a landfill, explained Mr. Feenstra, means the period of time the landfill will produce poisonous leachate.

Mr. Feenstra said a contaminating lifespan of 10 to 20 years is ideal for a landfill but 100 years is definitely not.

The application is also incorrect in indicating the quarry's

natural barrier, that would reduce downward leakage of leachate, is such that it would be "tens of years and possibly more than 100 years before any leachate would leak through the barrier and into the ground water system," said Mr. Feenstra.

The consultant predicted seepage of leachate through the barrier would happen "within years and not decades or centuries."

Asked if he would recommend a landfill for the Acton quarry, Mr. Feenstra told committee members "I would not support a landfill on this site as proposed."

Purification plant completed

Halton Region's Planning and Public Works Committee learned Wednesday the Prospect Park Water Purification plant in Acton has been completed and will be in operation in the near future.

According to a Regional staff report, the plant's capacity corresponds to the provincial Ministry of Environment guidelines, but is designed to handle double that capacity.

The plant has been established, the report indicates, to reduce iron in the water, otherwise the water in its natural state could strain the plumbing fixtures and laundry facilities of Acton residents.

Robbie Burns night

Legion Ladies Auxiliary Don't forget this year's Robbie Burns dinner and dance January 26 at 7:00 p.m., all proceeds to go to the Talking Books for the Blind.

For further information call Marg Tully at 877-0618.

Georgetown A team consisting of Trudy Paul, Anne Nicholson, Hazel Dumper, Jean Foster and Leanne Hall placed 3rd. Congratulations ladies.

We hear Jesse Bunton is home once again from the hospital, we hope she's feeling better.

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