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Jewellery theft

Halton Regional Police say \$1,000 worth of jewellery was stolen from a Halton Hills residence between 7:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. on Jan. 14. Victims of the crime were at work when the incident happened and all the lights in the residence were off. Police say the suspect stopped first at the front door and might have knocked to see if anyone was home. Then, the suspect travelled to a side door where he/she gained entry. Once inside, the culprit proceeded to the master bedroom and began searching through drawers and dumping the contents onto the bed, taking an undetermined amount of jewellery from the rooms. The culprit used a suitcase belonging to the victim to take silverware from the dining room. Police say it appears at this point, the thief was interrupted by the arrival of the victims and fled via the rear door, leaving the suitcase half full of silverware on a chair in the livingroom. All electronic equipment was undisturbed by the robber. Police say little evidence was found because the culprit was very selective and touched very little. However, a size 10 footprint from a work boot was found in the snow. Items stolen include two pearl necklaces, three gold necklaces, one gold garnet ring and one gold wedding band.

Vehicles entered

Two vehicles parked at Laurel Masters in Georgetown were broken into on Jan. 16, police say. A 1984 Honda had its rearview mirror stolen and glove box tampered with while the rear and drivers side windows were smashed out of a 1986 Hyundai causing \$150 damage.

Fraud charge

An Acton man has been charged with fraud after writing out cheques with no funds to cover them police say. The 39-year-old man was picked up Jan. 18 after he bought \$5,000 worth of fishing equipment from an Acton establishment. He will appear in court on Feb. 18 for this incident and two other fraudulent attempts from two purchases he attempted to make in Acton in December for sums under \$1,000.

Stereo system heist

A complete Blaupunkt car stereo system was stolen from a 1988 GMC truck between Jan. 11 and Jan. 17, police say. The victim left his truck parked and locked and when he returned, found the stereo, valued at over \$1,000, missing and the dash damaged. The incident was reported for insurance purposes.

High school hit again

Police responded to the fourth break-in at the Georgetown District High School in recent weeks on Jan. 15 at 2:37 p.m.

Police say entry was gained from the front of the school via a smashed window in the front office. Two sets of footprints were found in the snow but police have no suspects. It's unknown how many items were stolen from the school, and police are still investigating.

Gas station break-in

Police report a robbery took place between Jan. 18 and Jan. 20 at a service station in Georgetown. The culprits gained entry into the shop by smashing the outer and inner front doors and police say one suspect must have been helped by someone in order to climb through. Once inside, the culprits took a portable phone and approximately \$500 of assorted brands of cigarettes. Police have no suspects but the investigation continues.

Failing to stop

A Georgetown man has been charged with failing to stop after two cars collided at the lights on Main Street and Maple Avenue on Jan. 14, police say. The Georgetown man was driving a 1987 Ford which was severely damaged after encountering a 1988 Buick driven by a Ferguson man. The Buick was also severely damaged.

Severe damage

Police report a 1986 Ford driven by an Oakville resident was severely damaged after colliding with a 1986 Mercury driven by a Georgetown man at Main Street and Park Avenue on Jan. 20 at 5:50 p.m. Police say the Ford turned left off Park Avenue to go southbound on Main Street and got in the path of the Mercury which was travelling north on Main Street. The Ford struck the Mercury and was lightly damaged. The Oakville resident has been charged with failing to stop.

Ran red light

Two vehicles were severely damaged after a car went through a red light and smashed into another vehicle, police say. The accident occurred on Jan. 19 at 2:28 p.m. on Maple Avenue and Main Street in Georgetown when a Georgetown man, driving a 1988 Ford and travelling westbound on Maple went through a red light and collided with a 1986 Buick driven by a Georgetown man travelling southbound on Main Street. The Buick spun around, landing on a curb. The driver of the Ford has been charged with failing to stop. The driver and a passenger in the Buick received minor injuries.

Lost control

Police say an Orangeville man totalled his car on Jan. 16 at 4th Line north of Hwy. 7. He was driving a 1978 Chrysler and lost control on the icy road surface, running into a ditch and hitting a culvert. No charges have been laid.

**Community Forum
Reaction to the Gulf War**



Sharon McKay, Glen Williams - "I felt sad, and just tried to make sense of what seems like a football game to me. It (the Persian Gulf war) is being run by the Americans as if is prime time television. I have to take this unreality and explain it to my kids."



Ron Atkinson, Glen Williams - "I thought Saddam Hussein would have pulled out of Kuwait. I hope they (the coalition forces) can force him out before land troops are involved. If land troops are involved, I think there will be a tremendous loss of life."



Sylvia Neill, Georgetown: "United States President Georgetown Bush was right in not wasting any more time."



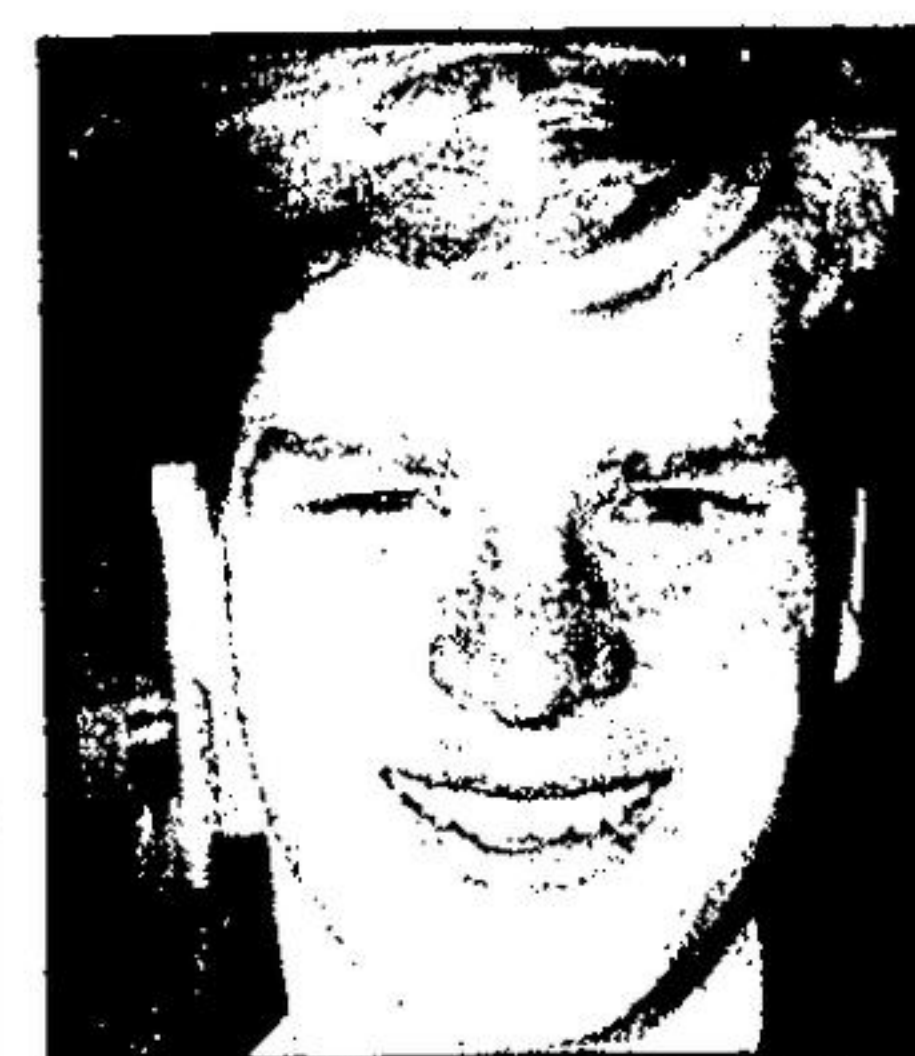
Bill Simpson, World War II Veteran: "I was sad when I heard the war had started. However, as a former active serviceman, when you have to go, you have to go."



Hank Russell, Korean War Veteran and President of Georgetown Branch 120, Royal Canadian Legion: "I didn't like it at first, I felt sorry for the people living over there. But Saddam Hussein had to be stopped."



Bill Collier, Georgetown, World War II Veteran: "Being a veteran, I don't like seeing anyone going to war. But with a madman like Saddam Hussein, it seemed the only thing we could do."



Mark Sutton, Grade 10, Acton High School: "I think Canada had other things to consider before deciding to go to war. It seems funny that Canada is so environmentally aware but it fights over oil, which is something very harmful to the environment. Our government should have considered the soldiers and how sending them off would harm them and people here before they decided to send them over. I'm totally against war, I'm a pacifist. I say, let's think about peace. I told the school that after announcements the other day and played the song by John Lennon, "Give Peace a Chance."



Joyce Isaac, graduating year Acton High School: "If the only way we can have peace is through violence, then that is the road we have to take. It's too bad we couldn't have peace instead of violence. I feel bad for the people over there but if this is the only way it can be settled, it must be done. I think we must fight for unity among countries because if there is no unity, then everyone is against everyone else."



Todd DeForest, Grade 13, Acton High School: "I was shocked when the Gulf war first started and then I got infuriated based on what happened in Vietnam and World War II. I asked why couldn't this be solved peacefully. I don't think we gave economic sanctions enough time to work. I don't think Iraq is stable enough to live by itself without the outside world. I believe in peace movements but I don't have a solution to this. I only know violence isn't the way to solve it, I mean you don't go beat up the school bully to show him he's wrong. I support peace, not war."

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