

## POLICE BEAT



### Numbers To Note EMERGENCY

Police, Fire or Ambulance ..... Dial 911  
 Fire (Information) ..... 877-1133  
 Police (Non-Emergency) .. 878-5511  
 Hospital ..... 877-0111  
 Distress Centre ..... 877-1211

### Numerous charges

A 20-year-old Georgetown man has been charged with robbery, forcible confinement and possession of a weapon for purpose dangerous to public police after he coerced a Georgetown youth to drive him around Halton and Peel Region.

Halton Regional Police say the man surrendered at 11 Division on Tuesday and was dealt with by district detectives who charged him with the above after questioning.

The charges are related to an incident occurring on Feb. 10 at 2:30 a.m. when a man ran into the path of a vehicle on Maple Avenue and requested to be driven to Brampton. The man was carrying a knife. The victim spent the remainder of the morning driving around Brampton, Norval, Acton and Milton where he dropped the suspect off at a donut shop. The suspect also told the victim he needed money and was given \$10.

Police say the knife was about 10 inches long but aren't sure if it was a butcher, kitchen or bread knife.

The Georgetown man's bail hearing was held Thursday in Milton Court.

### Break and enter

Police report a 19-year-old Georgetown man was arrested

for break and enter with the intent to commit theft after the IGA store on Guelph Street was broke into at 2:20 a.m. Thursday.

When police arrived at the scene, they found the man inside the store. He had entered by smashing the front door glass. The suspect was arrested inside after apparently intending to steal cigarettes from the store. Police say he is not responsible for a number of other cigarette thefts that have occurred lately in the area.

The suspect had his bail hearing in Milton Court on Thursday.

### Improper turn

Police say a Milton woman has been charged with improper turn after a two-car collision on Trafalgar Road south of 15 Sideroad on Feb. 8 at 2:32 p.m. The accident occurred when a 1990 Chev. driven by a Burlington man, passed three or four unknown vehicles travelling north on Trafalgar, on an emergency call. A 1985 Chev. driven by the Milton woman was also northbound on Trafalgar when she turned left across the path of the Burlington man who skidded 27 metres before colliding with the 1985 Chev which was totally in the impact. His car was severely damaged. The Milton woman received minor injuries along with the Burlington man.



## Seniors receive cheque

Sienna Van Hoekelen, fundraiser for the future Georgetown Seniors Recreation Centre, gladly accepts a \$300 cheque from Elizabeth McNeilly (centre) of Elizabeth's Fashions and Margaret Vint, co-ordinator of the annual Elizabeth's Fashions Bridal

Show. Elizabeth's Fashions is donating the money to the seniors in payment for the part they played dressing models at the annual Elizabeth's Fashions Bridal Show. (Herald photo)

## Home ownership not guaranteed

By GARTH TURNER  
 MP, Halton-Peel

Every day, Canadians buy, sell and pay taxes on homes they have no guaranteed right to own. Too often towns and cities pass bylaws taking property away from owners with no guarantee of fair compensation.

Other governments expropriate land, freeze zoning, prevent construction or change the rules of ownership - sometimes on a political whim. And those people who own those properties have no recourse to the courts, arguing that their rights were trampled.

The right to own property is not in the Canadian Constitution. It was removed in 1982 for political reasons. Now an emerging coalition of individuals and major organizations is organizing to have this right restored.

A December, 1990, meeting in Ottawa brought together representatives from such groups as the Canadian Real Estate Association, Canadian Chamber of Commerce, Fraser Institute, Canadian Institute of Planners, Canadian Homebuilders Association, and others - along with several Members of Parliament. The day long conference focussed on the need to restore property rights, and possible courses of action.

In an atmosphere of constitutional change, the conference heard, the time is ripe for average Canadians to be given back this basic right.

To accomplish that, the report of this conference recommends:

- Establishing a Registry of Support - a kind of nation-wide petition - so average Canadians can say clearly they want the right to own their own homes and properties.

- Making submissions to both the Spicer Commission, studying Canada's future, and the Parliamentary committee studying Constitutional amendment - stressing the need for restoring this right.

- The building of a national coalition, with the goal of influencing MPs, and the government, so that property rights are included in the Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

In December, the most powerful group of organizations ever assembled to discuss property rights concluded that today's situation must change. Now, an

action plan has been outlined.

When Canadians sit down at the table to redraft Canada's Constitution - which now appears inevitable - the hand of average Canadians should be felt.

Our right to own property should be restored. Our right to be fairly compensated if governments take it away should be protected.

Until that happens, the Charter of Rights and Freedoms is incomplete, flawed and dangerous.

For more information call: Constitution Office  
 1-800-668-4322, (416) 873-4673, Ottawa Office (613) 992-5266.

### Fire Calls

## Arson suspected

Halton Hills firefighters suspect arson in a car fire that occurred on Feb. 11 at 7:34 p.m. in an Acton's woman's driveway on Orville Road in Acton.

Firefighters were called out to the scene after the owner of a 1986 Ford Capri spotted the flames. A spokesperson for the fire department said firefighters found ignition in three different spots on the car, including the windshield wipers, driver's seat and rear tail lights. They also found an empty plastic container in a nearby ditch which they suspect may have contained gas to ignite the flames.

No charges have been laid in connection with the fire and police were called to the scene. The fire caused an estimated \$1,000 damage to the car.

## North Halton Trade Show

It only happens once every two years and it is all over in one day - but while it lasts, it is the most concentrated "trade show" for community groups, organizations and agencies in North Halton.

In 1991 it takes place Saturday, April 6th at Georgetown District High School. For that one day, the halls, the gyms and cafeterium will be lined with the booths of just about every imaginable leisure, volunteer, service, and continuing education group in town.

It is the single best occasion for

individuals interested in the range of activities available locally to make contact with the groups providing the leisure or service opportunity.

Girl Guides of Canada and The Halton Hills Yoshinkan Aikido Assoc., such groups have already registered to participate. If your organization has not yet reserved a booth the "Lifestyles" committee urge you to do so now.

Booth space is not unlimited and the most favorable locations are snapped up early.

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