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Protesters disrupt NDP convention

By PAULINE JOHNSON Queen's Park Bureau Thomson News Service

TORONTO - Environmentalists protesting the incineration of garbage got themselves thrown out of the NDP annual convention in Toronto on Sunday.

The protestors, from Orillia and Halton Hills, were demonstrating against what they say is a flip-flop by the NDP government since it came to power on Sept. 6.

They say Premier Bob Rae and Environment Minister Ruth Grier are backtracking on their stated opposition to incineration voiced during the election campaign.

But Premier Rae told Thomson News that is not the case.

"There's no cause for alarm, the government's policies - my policies and views - have not changed at all," he said.

"What I said in the letter (to . Orillia environmentalists) was

that Mrs. Grier and Mrs. Carter are preparing a Cabinet submission which puts the issue in a broader context of waste reduction and the approach to the 3Rs which Mrs. Grier announced in Belleville about 10 days ago.

"So there's really no cause for upset, we're on the right track," he said.

There is no reason to fear that recent proposals put out by Halton Region, asking for submissions on waste proposal initiatives including incineration, will outrun any government decision on the issue, Premier Rae said.

He spoke to Thomson News minutes after a shoving match between representatives of the Citizens Acting Now and Waste Not groups of Orillia and Incineration Counteracts the Environment and Envirowatch of Halton Hills delegates at the NDP convention.

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Slams into tree

A Terra Cotta woman is in fair condition at Sun- pull the steering wheel off her and cut through the Westerveld under the steering wheel. Halton Hills all of whom suffered minor injuries. firefighters were on scene with the Jaws of Life to

nybrook Hospital in Toronto after being trapped in frame in order to get her out. It took them half-anthis 1987 Ford van. Michele Westerveld was driving hour to remove 33-year-old Ms. Westerveld, who the van along 22 Sideroad towards Winston Chur- was transported and admitted to Georgetown chill Boulevard when apparently she lost control of District Memorial Hospital and later transferred to her vehicle due to slush on the roads. The van Sunnybrook. Also in the van was Lisa, Tina and entered the ditch and struck this tree, crushing Ms. Paul Westerveld and Betty Leferink of Limehouse,

(Herald photo by Lisa Boonstoppel-Pot)

Goliger's closes doors

The recession has once again taken its toll. Already this year local papermill Provincial Paper closed its doors while Georgetown-based Standard Products and Ferro Steel both had to lay off workers for two-week periods because of the slowdown in the economy.

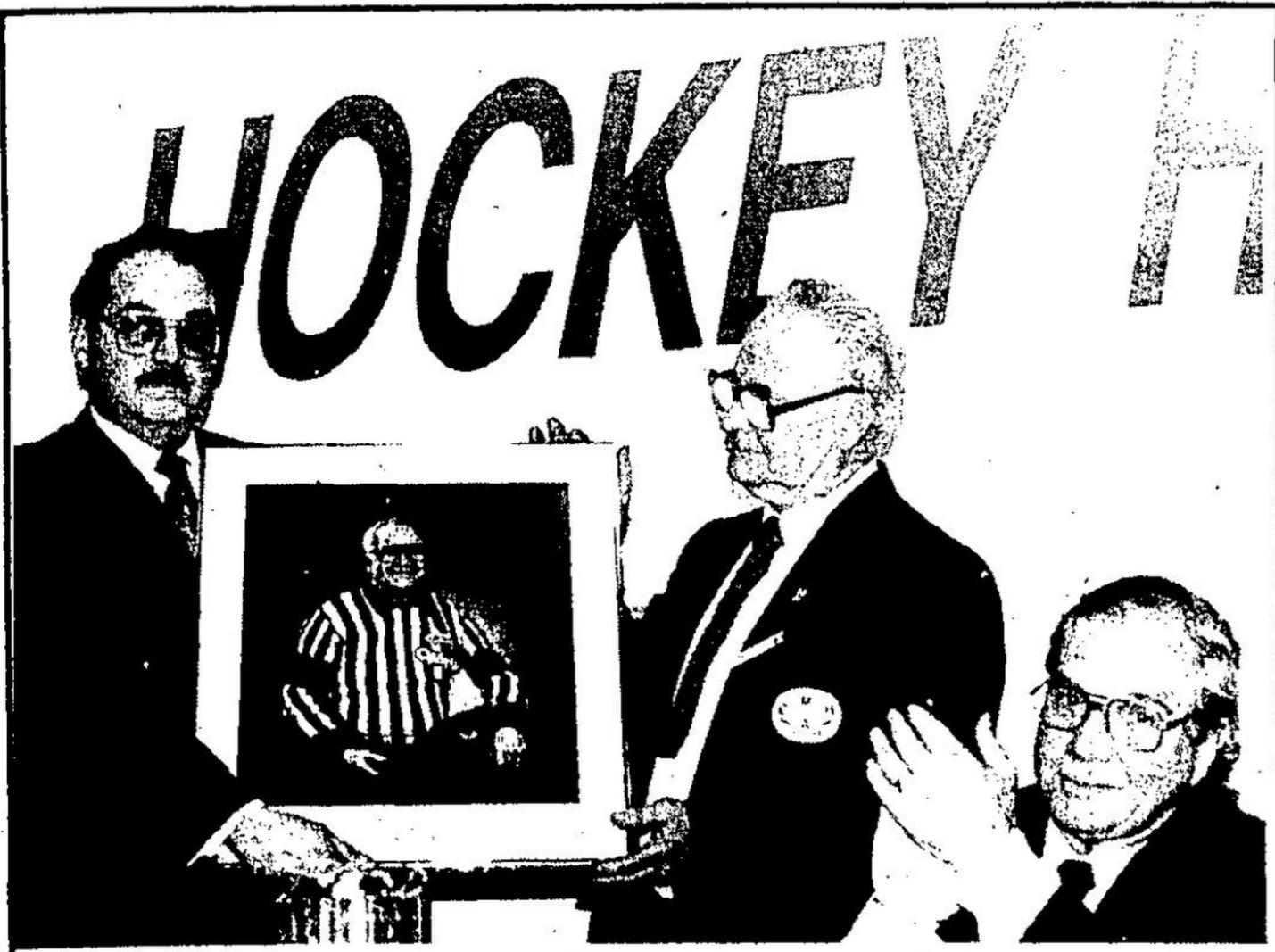
Now Georgetown travel agency Goliger's Travel, located off Guelph Street, has closed its doors for good. The business has been shut down since last Thursday.

"Business has dropped off imensely when the Gulf war started," said the agency's owner, Tom Boydell in a telephone interview Tuesday. Mr. Boydell wouldn't elaborate on other reasons for the closure although he did say the poor economic situation was the final nail in the coffin. "We could have weathered it (the other problems) if the market had been better," said Mr. Boydell.

The closure of the 11-year-old company means a loss of jobs for four salaried workers and two part-time employees, said Mr. Boydell.

Asked if he would try to reestablish in Georgetown Mr. Boydell said something may be possible in the future. He wouldn't elaborate.

A spokesperson for Goliger's head office in Toronto said Tuesday Mr. Boydell's files have been taken over by the Goliger's in Mississauga.



Honoring Gerry Perkins

Halton Hills Herald publisher Bob Malcolmson presents Gerry Perkins, this year's llockey Heritage Award winner, with his portrait at the Heritage Dinner at the Holy Cross Auditorium on

Monday night as Scotty Morrison, president of the NIIL's Hockey Hall of Fame, applauds. For more photos see sports pages: (Herald photo)

Legion donates \$75,000 to hospital I.C.U.

By COLIN GIBSON The Herald

Georgetown Branch 120 Royal Canadian Legion, located on Mill Street, will donate \$75,000 to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital to be used in the purchase of a central monitoring system for the hospital's Intensive Care Unit.

Patients requiring the new monitoring system would include those with heart conditions; outof-control diabetes; severe lung conditions; septic shock; postsurgery patients requiring intensive monitoring and drug overdose patients.

According to an information sheet from Georgetown hospital, the hospital has outgrown the capabilities of the present monitors.

It was also noted in the information sheet that the purchase of new monitors would negate the need to acquire additional capital equipment of pulse oximeter and non-invasive B/P monitoring devices as these functions would be part of each new bedside monitor.

The new unit is also fully

transportable.

John Oliver, Executive Director of Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital praised the Georgetown Legion for its work on behalf of the community in his

reaction to the \$75,000 donation.

"The hospital is extremely pleased with the donation from Georgetown Branch 120 Royal Canadian Legion." he said. "It (the funding) represents a very significant donation for the hospital from the Legion and this new piece of equipment is very important to patient care in our Intensive Care Unit."

Mr. Oliver went on to say that a special recognition event is planned to officially thank the Georgetown Legion for its donation to the community, through the hospital, and at that time, the new central monitoring system will be on public display.

The Legion donation was officially approved by the membership at its monthly General Meeting held last Thursday. The Legion Executive had previously approved the donation in principle - subject to approval from the floor at the General Meeting.

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