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Stolen car recovered

Halton Regional Police say a 1983 Buick Regal coupe found severely damaged on Sixth Line north of 10 Sideroad March 17 was a stolen vehicle. The car, which was reported stolen on the same day as the accident, was northbound on Sixth Line, police say, when it left the roadway, struck a hydro pole and continued to travel north before coming to rest in the southbound lane. Police laid no charges since they haven't determined who the driver of the vehicle was, or who stole the car.

Came to blows

Police charged an Acton and a Bolton man with causing a disturbance by fighting after a verbal disagreement between the two men in an Acton hotel turned physical Saturday night. Police say the pair were arguing and took the fight outside of the hotel. Both men sustained minor injuries. Police arrived and arrested both men who were described by police as intoxicated.

Break and enter

An all-night party at a 1st Line Moffat home turned into a break and enter Friday night, police say. The female owner of the home left at 11:30 a.m. to bring some of the partyers home and when she returned, she found the rear door open and \$7,000 worth of stereo equipment and electronic equipment stolen, police say. Police are continuing their investigation.

Hockey cards stolen

Police believe unknown youths, who are avid hockey card traders, may be responsible for a break and enter at a Georgetown store where three valuable hockey cards were stolen Friday. Police say the culprits smashed a small hole in the front door glass in order to enter the business. Once inside, cash, 40 Scratch and Win lottery tickets and numerous hockey cards, including a second year Wayne Gretzky worth over \$140, were taken. Total value of the property is estimated at \$1,100 police say.

Restaurant break-in

Thieves, who couldn't resist a piece of chocolate cheesecake, were responsible for a break and enter at Golden Heart Restaurant in Acton Friday. Police say unknown culprits smashed a brick through the front door glass to enter the restaurant. Once inside, the premise was ransacked. Before leaving the establishment, the culprits removed a chocolate cheesecake from the fridge, topped it with whipped cream and ate a quarter of the cake before stealing three-and-a-half cases of beer, 20 steaks and one laundry bag. Police are still investigating the break and enter.

Awakened by intruders

Police say unknown intruders woke up a resident of the house they were attempting to burglarize Thursday night. Police say a female resident of the home was awakened by a loud thump in her basement and she got up to investigate. Police say the resident went to the basement to search for the source of the noise and discovered eight bottles of beer, one bottle of light rum and some canned food had been stolen. Police are investigating.

Car break-in

Police report a Georgetown woman's car was broken into while parked at O'Tooles Roadhouse Restaurant in Georgetown Friday night. A blue overnight bag containing personal belongings worth \$50 was stolen. The next day, a Georgetown man found a bag fitting this description in Moore Park Plaza and delivered it to the Georgetown police station.

Car vandalized

Police say unknown persons caused \$450 damage to a Georgetown woman's 1982 Chevrolet Saturday night, when they took a sharp object and scratched the hood and driver's side of the car.

Coin box theft

Police report \$60 worth of coins were removed from two Globe and Mail newspaper boxes situated at Maple and Guelph St. last Thursday. Police say unknown persons folded back the sheet metal of the box and used a stick with an adhesive on the end to remove the coins. Police are still working on the case.

Home ransacked

An Acton couple's home was ransacked and burglarized Thursday between 6:30 and 9:15 a.m. Two businesses are also located in the home and one business, a flower shop, was also ransacked. Unknown culprits responsible for the mess also stole \$500 worth of cash and jewellery. Police are continuing to investigate the break and enter.

Vehicles entered

Police say several cars parked near the GO Station were entered overnight Saturday but no items were stolen from the vehicles.

Tree knocked down

Police are looking for the persons responsible for knocking a tree with an estimated value of \$100 to the ground in Joseph-Gibbons Park Sunday. A Georgetown woman living near the park heard a noise early Sunday morning and observed an auto exiting the park. Police are continuing their investigation.

Community Forum

What's your opinion on Sunday shopping?



Thelma Jordan, Acton: "I like having the stores open but I am only a shopper, not a worker."



Yvette Noel, Georgetown: "I'm not against Sunday shopping. I used to shop regularly Sundays, it's my grocery shopping day."



Jim Wray, Georgetown: "I don't think Sunday shopping is necessary. I think that if it's available, people will find other days to shop. If the stores are closed Sunday, it gives people a chance to have their one day off a week."

NDP accused of flip-flopping

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Grier said in an interview that she doesn't know what would give the groups the idea the government is backing away from the anti-incineration stance it held while in opposition.

"I don't know what would have given anybody that idea. I've made it very plain publicly since I became minister that I don't favor incineration of municipal solid waste," she said.

Grier said she cannot comment on that part of the Environmental Assessment Board's decision on the Halton Region landfill site which deals with energy-from-waste incineration.

"That's a decision that was made by the Environmental Assessment Board and a decision that stands. Whether Halton, in fact, moves toward doing that is another question and one that I can't comment on at the moment," Grier said.

There was no indication as to when Halton should pursue an energy-from-waste option, Grier said.

"If they choose to go that way that would be a bridge I would cross at that time. As you know my proposal is that they get serious about reduction and re-use and I hope they will never need to even consider an incinerator," Grier said.

Asked if she would ever allow any new incineration to go ahead, Grier pointed again to her personal views that it should not and said the government "is discussing it and I will have an announcement to make in the near future."

Pressed on why she could not make that announcement right away if the government's policy had not changed, she said it was because "one learns as minister that it is never as simple as just declaring by fiat that this is what's going to have to be done."

"We're part of a government, there are a whole lot of different considerations, there's a whole lot of history that has happened and policy preparation that goes on. I'm not backing off incineration, I'm saying I am not yet ready to make a government announcement on that issue," Grier said.

A letter sent out by the government to Orillia environmentalists, and signed by an auto-pen in Premier Bob Rae's name, said wrongly that he favors incineration, Grier said.

"As far as this party's concerned, it (incineration option) is not one that we favored and as minister I have not favored it for the disposal of municipal waste," she said.

Anti-incineration opponents should not read anything into the fact that she is talking with Energy Minister Jenny Carter, Grier said.

"I'm talking with the minister of energy because as a minister one talks with all the other ministries who have roles to play, and under the previous government this issue rested with the minister of energy," she said.

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