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Youth charged

Halton Regional Police charged an Acton youth with theft under \$1,000 on April 2 in connection with the theft of \$700 in rolled coins that occurred approximately two months ago. Police say the suspect will appear in Milton Court May 17.

Tire gun stolen

Police report an \$800 tire gun was stolen from the rear of a pick-up truck while it was parked on Crescent Street in Georgetown Thursday night. Police are continuing to investigate.

House party theft

A house party resulted in \$1,934 worth of property being stolen, say police. The complainent called police April 12 and told them a camera and lens, gold chain, locket, pocket watch, cologne and a Nintendo sysytem were missing from her Halton Hills home after. her daughter had a house party. Police were told 30-40 people attended the party and are continuing to investigate the theft.

Hot wheels

Two tires and rims worth \$1,200 were stolen off a 1976 Corvette Stingray last Wednesday night, say police. The car had been parked at a farm all winter and overnight last Wednesday, unknown persons removed all four wheels and rims from thecar, taking only the front wheels.

Mischief charge

Police charged a Georgetown man with mischief after he lost his temper and kicked a hole in a glass hall window in Georgetown District High School Friday night: Police say the suspect became upset, kicked the glass and cut his ankle. The 21-year-old man will appear in Milton court, May 20. `

Theft charge

A Georgetown woman described by police as "violent" at the time of arrest was charged with theft under \$1,000 after she was seen by a store employee leaving a Georgetown department store without paying for a \$12 belt. Police say the 22-year-old woman was seen trying on the belt in the store, removing the belt and later putting the belt back on and tucking the price tag behind the belt. She then walked out of the store and was arrested. The woman has also been charged with breach of probation and appeared in Milton court Monday.

Missing hockey equipment

Police say \$685 worth of hockey equipment was discovered missing from a Georgetown man's garage when the man was moving his property to another home last Wednesday. Police say the man had caught a suspect in the garage last October but didn't know if property was taken at that time. Stolen is a hockey mask, blocker and glove.

Police continue investigation into missing cash

By LISA BOONSTOPPEL-POT The Herald

An internal criminal probe of the Halton Regional Police surrounding the disappearance of a "substantial" amount of money has lasted two months with no conclusion in sight.

Sergeant Carey Smith, media relations officer with the force said "there's been no talk about the case concluding."

He explained the missing money is comprised of unpaid fines that turn into committal warrants which are collected at police stations across Halton. The money from each district is then transferred by the force's own courier to headquarters and then deposited into the force's finance bureau.

Police aren't releasing details

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of the investigation but say the undisclosed amount of money has been stolen, and not misplaced.

Somewhere along the line from when the money first came into police possession and before it reached the financial bureau, it was stolen, said Sergeant Smith.

"The theft could have occurred anywhere along that line," he said, which indicates only police officers or civilians working within the department could have stolen the money.

Community Forum

What does Earth Day mean to you?



Emma Gelok, Georgetown District High School: "It's a reminder for people to be aware of what is happening to our environment. People should think that every day is Earth Day."



Jamie McCartney, Georgelown District High School: "It means people should clean the world up. It can't be done until people put their minds together and Earth Day helps bring people together for that.



Georgetown Lipp, Alison District High School: "Earth Day is a day when everyone puts forth their best effort to clean up the environment."

Farmers upset with region proposition

All Halton residents, and not just the Region's farming community, should be forced to pay for the protection of agricultural land, said Bert Andrews, Chairman of the Land Use Committee, of the Region's Federation of

Agriculture, Monday. Mr. Andrews said if the Region's planning staff's suggestion to eliminate farm severances and change the zoning of farm land from rural to agricultural to protect Halton's farmland, is implemented, then farmers will bear the brunt of the cost, said Mr. Andrews.

He explained these farmland protection measures will reduce the value of agricultural land.

This fact, coupled with the reality that "Halton farmers are going broke," said Mr. Andrews, means the protection of farmland in Halton will come at the expense of the farmer.

Acknowledging there is no simple answer to protecting the Region's farmland, Mr. Andrews stressed Halton's entire population must pay for the protection of farmland in Halton.

As it is, local farmers are already operating at a disadvantage with neighboring agricultural communities and the global market.

Halton municipal taxes are higher than those of neighboring agricultural communities. As well, operating costs for competiting farmers in other parts of the world such as Mexico are much cheaper, he said.

Haltons farmers need to be better compensated if area agricultural lands are to be protected, he added.

The Region won't be making any decision on the farmland protection policies until the end of this year.

Turner schedules TV phone-in show

Halton-Peel MP Garth Turner will give Halton Hills residents a chance to enjoy some inter-active television on Thursday, May 2.

Turner will be holding an hour-long electronic version of a Town Hall meeting, via Halton Hills Cable, on channel 4, starting at 8 p.m. Joining the MP will be two well-known local journalists, Hartley Coles, former editor of the Georgetown Independent and Acton Free Press, and Ben Dummett, of the Halton Hills Herald.

The show will be carried live, providing an opportunity for people to

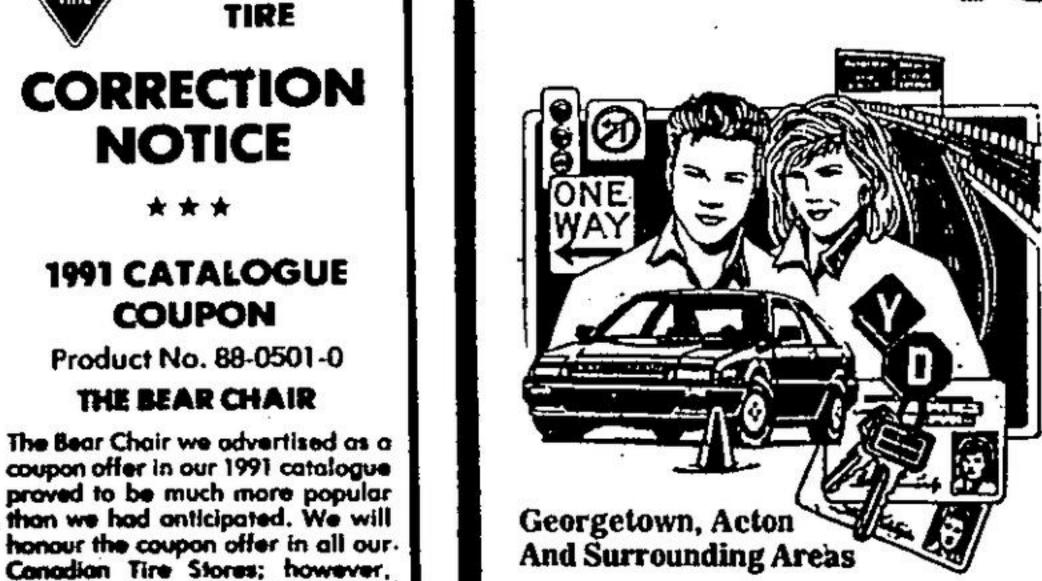
call in, posing questions to Turner. "Any topic is up for discussion," the MP says, "and I welcome any questions, comments or suggestions on the many important points now facing our country. I hope this format of meeting gives us a good chance to talk about the things like national unity, taxes, and how

Viewers are welcome to call during the show on 853-1282, Thursday,

May 2, between 8 p.m. and 9 p.m.

governments at all levels can be reformed."

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