

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

Various charges

Halton Regional Police have charged a Georgetown man with resisting arrest, assault causing bodily harm, breach of recognizance, breach of probation and assault level one after he assaulted his common-law wife, a neighbor and a police officer Saturday night. Police say the 30-year-old man was arguing with his common-law wife around 8:30 p.m. when he punched her in the face approximately three times, pushed her down on the couch, kicked her an unknown number of times, choked her and pulled her hair. Police say the victim had two cut lips, bruising and redness to her forehead, a bleeding nose and swelling. Minutes after the fight, police say the accused started banging on a neighbor's door accusing him of damaging the circuit panel because the power had gone out. Police say he also verbally threatened the neighbor. When police arrived 15 minutes later, the accused used abusive language and resisted arrest, breaking a table in the process. The accused appeared in Milton court Monday for a bail hearing.

Sexual assault allegations

Police are investigating allegations of sexual assault made by a 15-year-old girl against a 17-year-old male who lives in the same Georgetown group home as she. Police say the girl alleged the male came into her bed at night and sexually assaulted her by touching her private parts. The victim also alleges the same male sexually assaulted her in March.

Cigarette heist

For the second time in four days, unknown culprits have made off with thousands of dollars of cigarettes from The Smoke Shoppe in Acton. The place was first broken into last Wednesday by three culprits who stole 81 cartons of cigarettes, worth \$2,997 from the store. Then Saturday at approximately 2:30 a.m. three culprits broke into the store and removed 94 cases of cigarettes, worth \$4,300. Police say a person standing near the shop heard the alarm go off and saw two men leave the store before joining a third man waiting outside the store. Police are continuing their investigation.

Fire Calls

Oil spill clean-up

Halton Hills firefighters started the weekend cleaning up an oil spill Saturday evening in a Glen Williams house. Firefighters say an oil tank located in the furnace of the home began leaking, spilling approximately 600 litres of oil on the floor. Firefighters cleaned some of the spill up using absorbent and plugged the hole as best they could until oil company cleaners arrived.

Power lines down

Later that evening, at 8:06, firefighters were called to Delrex Boulevard where high winds brought some power lines down. Firefighters had little to do as there was no fire, but waited until hydro workers came to restore power.

Medical assist call

Their last call of the night came at 11:32 to a Nelson Court home in Acton where firefighters responded to a medical assist call. A woman at the home was having a seizure. They stayed until ambulance attendants arrived.

Smoke damage

On Sunday, firefighters responded to one call at an R.R.4, Acton home on 17 Sideroad. Firefighters say a resident of the house left a burning candle on a coffee table which caught on fire. Damage is estimated at \$5,000 because there was extensive smoke damage to the home. Firefighters were there for approximately one hour after 1:09 a.m.

Field of grass

Police are planning to destroy approximately 1000 plants of marijuana that were found by a hiker at the Crawford Lake Conservation Area at Guelph Line and Steeles Avenue in Milton Saturday. Police say the hiker was trekking through the conservation area in May when he noticed several areas of cleared land just off the Vista Trail. He returned Saturday to find hundreds of marijuana plants growing in the area. Police investigated and discovered shovels and fertilizer nearby. No charges have been laid and police are continuing their investigation.

Assault charge

Police report they've laid an assault charge against a Georgetown man after he threatened a person with a tire iron. Police say a person had attended the man's residence to return some blinds over a small claims court case he lost. When the accused opened the door, he had a tire iron in his hand and indicated he wasn't going to let the man into his house. The accused will appear in Milton Court June 24.

Suspect arrested

Police have arrested a Georgetown man in connection with the break and enter at Williams and Associates office in Acton in January of this year. As a result of the investigation into the break and enter, police arrested the 36-year-old suspect and charged him with possession of stolen goods and forged documents.

Car damaged

Another employee at Eagle Dominion in Acton who crossed the picket line of striking workers had her car damaged last Wednesday. Police say the victim's 1981 Toyota was parked on Langfield Road in Acton when unknown persons cut the valve stems on her two rear tires. Damage is estimated at \$200.

Soccer nets stolen

Two soccer nets, valued at \$600, were stolen from the goal posts of the Cedarvale soccer field overnight last Tuesday, police report. The nets belong to the Georgetown Youth Soccer League. Police are still investigating.

Community Forum
The best things of summer



Gary Lewis, Georgetown: "Tennis, barbecues, friends and beer".



Mark Bostock, Toronto (married a Georgetown girl): "Sun, swimming, barbecues, and going on holidays. Just the fact that summer isn't winter is the best thing."



Christina Brass, Norval: "The beach, convertible cars, night clubs and sun-tanning."

Halton's loss is Hamilton's gain

By LISA BOONSTOPPEL-POT
 The Herald

After 11 years of service as Halton Regional Police's Deputy-Chief, Robert Middaugh is leaving to become the Chief of Police for the Hamilton-Wentworth Police Service. He'll assume the role September 1, 1991. "I'm very excited about being chosen as Hamilton-Wentworth's Chief," said Dep. Chief Middaugh to Halton Police's Media Relations Officer, Sergeant Carey Smith, before he left to attend an Ontario, Chiefs of Police Conference in Sudbury Friday.

Hamilton-Wentworth Police Services Board chairman, William McCullough announced Thursday that 48-year-old Dep. Chief Middaugh was the unanimous choice of the board but officers of the Halton Regional Police Service say they're going to miss him.

"He was a good man to work with," said Halton police's other Deputy-Chief, John Barratt. "I'll miss him. He's been a good friend."

Detective Sergeant Michael Eacrett, who's know Dep. Chief Middaugh since he joined the Halton Police service said "he is a fair, compassionate man who treated everyone he worked with, with respect. I have a lot of respect for him," he continued.

"Hamilton is fortunate to have him but it'll be a bad day for Halton when he leaves."

Police officers agree that Dep. Chief Middaugh has a lot to offer Hamilton with his years of experience as a police officer and Dep. Chief.

Dep. Chief Middaugh first became a police officer in 1967 with the Peel Regional Police Service. Before that, he was a firefighter with the City of Brampton.

After gaining policing and administrative experience with Peel police, he joined the Halton Regional Police Service in June, 1980 as a Dep. Chief, a position which involves working in unison with the Chief of Police in all aspects of executive level administration.

While with Halton, he has been involved with the implementation of computerized management, the implementation of a compressed work week, the development of community-based policing, implementation of a 911 emergency number system, development of a physical fitness program, the setting up of a video monitoring process for statements and confessions and the development of the Police Chorus and Pipe Band to enhance community relations among many other projects.

He has also continued to educate himself by attending the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) academy in the United States where he graduated with honors in management, criminology, law, communications and forensic sciences in 1978. He's also attended FBI seminars on interpersonal violence, psychological profiling of criminals and police stress.

Other courses he's taken include criminal investigation, violence in the family, police administration, drug investigation, hostage command, and financial management at Ontario Police College and Canadian Police College.

Besides his work and education, Dep. Chief Middaugh is a member of several police and community groups including the International Association of Chiefs of Police, the FBI National Academy Association and the Ontario Association of Chiefs of Police. He also contributes time to the Halton Race Relations Committee, the Brampton Curling Club, the Brampton South Rotary Club of which he is a past president, minor hockey and baseball systems and is a member of St. Paul's United Church.

"He gives 100 per cent effort in all he does," said Dep. Chief Barratt.

When Dep. Chief Middaugh takes over his new position Sept. 1, he'll replace Hamilton-Wentworth's present Chief, Colin Millar who will be retiring at the end of the year after 36 years of dedicated police service including four years as chief.

Dep. Chief Middaugh is married to Judith Anne. They have two children, Karen, 26 years, who is an officer with Ontario Provincial Police and Wayne, 23, who is a golf professional.

Planning for future

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study is meant to rectify this discrepancy, she said.

Al Pilutti, representing Halton Hills Construction Association, questioned the need for the study because the Town's zoning bylaws delineate where the appropriate type housing should be located in Town.

However, Ms. Knott disagreed with Mr. Pilutti explaining the bylaws are relatively weak since they don't correspond with the Town's Official Plan.

Mr. Pilutti went on to question why the Town doesn't concentrate on introducing high density housing for Georgetown in the southern and western part where there is still a lot of open space.

He posed this question in response to the study having to consider where higher density housing could be located in fully developed areas of Georgetown.

Mr. Keith would only say the idea will be considered.

During one part of the meeting, Ernest Ball, of Residents Alive in Development Decisions (R.A.I.D.D.) said some people are "frightened of studies" such as the Urban Area Study Review.

There is the idea among many, the study will result in people descending on a neighborhood to do something the neighborhood doesn't want done, he said.

However, Mr. Ball's concern appeared to be appeased when Mr. Keith said the role of the committee is to provide public opinion to ensure there will be no surprises.

Aside from the formation of this committee, public meetings will be held periodically throughout the next several months to receive input from the general public on the direction the study should take.

The study is expected to be completed near the end of this year. Once finished it will be forwarded to Town Council for final consideration.

Blood donor clinic

The quarterly Acton Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic will be held Thursday, June 27th at the Acton Legion Hall.

The hours of the clinic will be from 5:00 to 8:30 p.m. This clinic has been graciously sponsored by the Acton IGA.

Come out and donate a pint of blood and receive a coupon for a free video rental at PRE View Video. For more information call Henry Krols at 853-1868.

ANNOUNCEMENT



CANADIAN TIRE
 ASSOCIATE STORE, ACTON

is pleased to announce the appointment of Blair McCallum to the position of Service Manager. Blair, a longtime resident of Acton, brings to this position 20 years of service experience, and looks forward to the opportunity of renewing old acquaintances and serving new clients.