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Sidney Crosby abducted by bicycle-riding thieves!

Halton Police are on the lookout for a man who, after indicating he had a gun, stole a large cardboard cutout of hockey star Sidney Crosby from the Mac's store on Guelph St. Sunday.

Police say around 9:40 p.m. two males and two females were on bicycles outside the store, when the two males and one female entered. They purchased a couple of items and one male wearing a black t-shirt asked the clerk if he could have the cardboard cutout of Crosby. The clerk said no, and the trio left the store.

Minutes later, the male who asked about the cutout came back in, took the cutout and ran out of the store. The clerk followed and confronted the male who indicated he had a gun, but no gun was seen. The four fled.

The male who indicated he had a gun is described as white, 5'10", with a slim build, short brown hair cut in a "faux hawk." He had a small goatee, and was wearing a black t-shirt.

Another male was white, 5'10", slim, with short black hair, a round face, small goatee, tight red v-neck t-shirt, and black jeans.

One of the females is described as white, 5'6", with a slim build, long black hair. She was wearing a tight blue t-shirt, jean shorts and carrying a green backpack.

There was no description of the second female.

The Crosby cutout is 5'10".

Anyone with information is asked to call Det. Const. John Peppler at 905-878-5511 ext. 2485 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.



Fuzzy friend

Tunde Otto-Harris, Chairperson of Willow Park Ecology Centre, took a closer look at a caterpillar she was trying to identify, while the Ontario Stewardship Rangers program was running various projects in the Centre. The program, run by the Ministry of the Environment, performed a forest inventory last week, where various trees were measured, identified and the data was logged to better maintain the centre. Photo by Ted Brown

Five local groups land Trillium grants

By CYNTHIA GAMBLE
 Staff Writer

Five local organizations were among 37 Halton-Peel community groups that were the beneficiaries of the latest round of grants, totaling \$2.45 million, handed out by the Ontario Trillium Foundation last week.

Successful grant recipients are: Heritage Acton, Georgetown SloPitch League, Georgetown Little Theatre, Halton Hills Concert Band and Light Up the Hills Festival.

The largest prize goes to Heritage Acton—\$150,000—to install an elevator in the historical Town Hall in Acton. Heritage Acton, a volunteer citizens' group, officially opened the newly restored 19th century building in April.

"We've now successfully completed the restoration of the theatre in the old town hall and completing the restoration of the adjoining second floor of the (old) fire hall," Heritage Acton spokesperson Ron Birrell recently members of town council. "What we need to do now is to take a building that was built in 1883 and bring it up to today's standards with respect to accessibility and that involves putting an elevator in or onto the building."

Council approved the allocation of \$40,000 to accompany Heritage Acton's

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