

Voyageur visit



Police blotter: Suspect sought in robbery

Halton Police are investigating a robbery at Shoppers Drug Mart on Guelph St. Saturday night in which the suspect said he was armed with a gun.

Police say shortly after 11 p.m. a man entered the store and went to the pharmacy counter where he demanded painkiller OxyContin. He indicated he had a gun, but no gun was seen.

He was given an undisclosed quantity of drugs and left the store. No one was injured.

The suspect was last seen fleeing westbound on Guelph St. riding an older model dark-coloured mountain bike.

The suspect is described as white, 6'3", 170 lbs., 40 to 50 years old, with a skinny build, sandy blonde hair mixed with grey and a raspy voice with no accent. He was wearing a dark-coloured toque, dark-coloured thick long sleeve sweater, dark-coloured pants, beige construction-style boots, dark cloth gloves, an orange mesh construction vest with yellow reflective strips and light blue surgical mask covering the lower part of his face.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Det. Michael Leighton at 905-878-5511 ext. 2417.

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A 17-year-old Georgetown male is facing several charges after he was involved in a high-speed police pursuit on Steeles Ave. in the area of James Snow Parkway Friday night.

Police received a report of a minor hit and run collision at the intersection of Ninth Line and Steeles Ave. about 10:45 p.m. Police were told the suspect vehicle was westbound on Steeles Ave.

Police spotted the vehicle a short time later on Steeles near James Snow Parkway traveling at a high rate of speed. Officers pursued the vehicle as it headed northbound on Lawson Blvd., traveling up to 120 km per hour. The driver lost control of the vehicle, which went into a ditch and struck a fire hydrant.

Police arrested the driver, who wasn't injured.

The driver was charged with impaired driving and having over 80 mg of alcohol in 100 ml of blood, fail to remain at the scene of an accident, dangerous driving, criminal flight from police, theft over \$5,000 (in connection with the vehicle that had been stolen), possession of stolen property and numerous Highway Traffic Act charges, including driving a motor vehicle without a licence.

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An Oakville man is facing charges after police responded to complaints from citizens about a possible impaired driver Friday evening.

One of the complaints was regarding a driver in the Mountainview/Guelph St. area, the other one for the same vehicle in the 10 Sideroad/Ninth Line

area about 8:15 p.m. Police stopped the vehicle on 10 Sideroad near Eighth Line shortly after receiving the reports.

Charged with impaired driving and having over 80 mg of alcohol in 100 ml of blood is Clarence W. Morrison, 60.

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A Georgetown woman was charged after a Wal-Mart loss prevention officer saw a woman conceal an item of clothing valued at \$30 in her purse Thursday about 3:45 p.m. The woman left the store without paying, and was confronted outside of the store by the security officer. Police responded.

Charged with theft under \$5,000 is Liza Zawacki, 29, of Georgetown.

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Halton Police responded to Acton High School for ongoing complaints of drug activity around the school about 1:20 p.m. Thursday.

Police confiscated seven grams of marijuana and arrested six youths (three 15-year-old Acton boys, a 15-year-old Acton girl, 14-year-old Acton girl, and 15-year-old Halton Hills boy) who were referred to the Halton Youth Justice Program under the Youth Criminal Justice Act.

Writer and broadcaster Jowi Taylor brought his Six String Nation Guitar to Silver Creek Public School recently to present the story behind the instrument named Voyageur that's been played by hundreds of famous musicians and traveled thousands of kilometres across Canada since the idea was conceived 15 years ago. Voyageur is made from 64 pieces of Canadian history and heritage representing many different cultures, communities and characters from all across the country. Two Silver Creek students, Tyler Ferguson and Gabriel Nielsen, each played a song on the guitar. *Photo by Eamonn Maher*

Attendee was not a veteran

A caption accompanying a photo from the Acton Remembrance Day ceremonies that was published in the Nov. 9 *Independent & Free Press* contained incorrect information.

Acton Legion member Sharon Graham was incorrectly identified as a veteran at the service.

The Independent & Free Press regrets the error.

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