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Thief swipes woman's walker

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A walk around the neighbourhood with her dog Charlotte at her side is something Sherry Cartwright enjoys, but the Georgetown woman hasn't been able to do that since someone stole her walker from her van earlier this week.

Cartwright, 50, who is on a disability pension, and suffers from fibromyalgia, osteoarthritis and other health issues, was devastated when she went out to her van at her Queen St. apartment Monday afternoon to find her walker was gone.

It was stolen sometime Sunday night or Monday.

"I went out to walk my dog and there was no walker," said Cartwright. "They might as well have cut my legs off."

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Contractor and host of HGTV's *Holmes on Homes* Mike Holmes (left) and his daughter Sherry were joined by Gavin Conroy, as they took a turn at breaking ground for the new Georgetown Hospital expansion Tuesday. Conroy was invited by Holmes to take part after he donated all his birthday money to the Foundation.

Photo by Ted Brown

Hospital expansion underway

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Ground was broken to start construction on the ER expansion at Georgetown Hospital Tuesday.

"I am thrilled to be here today to celebrate the start of construction on this much-needed expansion and renovation project," said John Oliver, Halton Healthcare Services President and CEO. "The project will provide new, modern clinical space and allow for the installation of GH's first CT scanner—ensuring residents of Halton Hills have access to this essential service, close to home."

The \$14.2 million redevelopment project will see the ER more than triple in size from 4,270 sq. ft. to 14,000 sq. ft. and a new Diagnostic Imaging department including a new CT scanner in the former ER space. The newly-built ER department is slated to open next March, and the work on the Diagnostic Imaging department to be completed by mid-summer.

"We are very excited to see the huge improvements being made at Georgetown Hospital," said Mayor Rick Bonnette. "The expanded emergency, improved diagnostic imagery and the essential CT scanner will greatly improve healthcare for our citizens in Halton Hills."

Oliver thanked everyone involved in making the project a reality, including staff and physicians, hospital donors, the volunteer association, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and the Town of Halton Hills under the leadership of Mayor Bonnette.

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