



POT LUCK & GAMES: The congregation of Ospringe Presbyterian Church enjoyed their monthly pot luck supper and games night recently, including: (from left) Pete Van der Heyden, Ruth Vibe, Glen Lampman and The Reverend Wendy Lampman. Co-ordinator Cindy Goulding served up dessert. —Ted Tyler photos

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COPS / FIRE REPORT

911 CALL RESULTS IN ARREST

A "terrified" rural Halton Hills homeowner hid in a closet after calling 911 to report a break-and-enter at their residence at 11 a.m. on Monday.

Police report the homeowner stayed on the line with police until officers arrived at the scene and arrested the suspect as he left the residence empty-handed after attempting to steal a computer.

A search of the accused led to the seizure of break-and-enter instruments and 2.5-grams of cocaine with a street value of \$200. A 50-year-old Etobicoke man was charged with break and enter with intent to commit an indictable offence, possession of a controlled substance for the purpose of trafficking. He was released to appear in court.

Police would not identify where the incident occurred.

MOTORIST TRAPPED IN CAR

Acton firefighters

helped a motorist out of an overturned car in a ditch in the 25 Side Road/ Regional Road 25 area at 9:31 a.m. last Thursday.

The driver was trapped in a car and unable to get out when crews arrived — they extricated the driver and left the patient in the care of EMS workers before checking for leaking fluids and disabling the vehicle.

LOW BATTERY

A low battery caused a carbon monoxide alarm to activate late last Tuesday. The homeowners said the alarm sounded intermittently every 20 minutes.

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The carpool revolution

Smart Commute Halton's Carpool Week ends tomorrow (Friday) with new commuter friendships / arrangements among people who live and work near one another and want to save commuter costs and environmental impacts.

In 2012, 19 Smart Commute Halton member businesses eliminated 435,630 kilometres of road travel — more than 10 times around the world — and stopped 94,588 kilograms of greenhouse gas emissions — the weight of 18 elephants — from being emitted into the Halton air. The program saved approximately \$281,131 in commuter expenses with 49 registered carpools and 440 registered users.

The Smart Commute Halton program (www.smartcommutehalton.ca) supports the Halton Transportation Master Plan (HTMP) which examines

transportation infrastructure, identifying new roads and also ways to provide for cycling and walking, promote travel demand management programs (such as Smart Commute) and accommodate enhanced municipal and inter-regional (GO) transit services.

Carpoolzone.ca is a free, online ride-matching system from Smart Commute. It helps connect people with similar routes and schedules. Two people, sharing a 50-km return commute, five days a week will each save \$56 on gasoline alone in one month, based on a cost of \$1.25 per litre.

To date, more than 255 employers with 608,000 employees have signed on to the program and are designated as Smart Commute workplaces. For more information about Carpool Week visit www.smartcommute.ca.