Teen to meet 'toon' creators

A young Georgetown cartoonist has been given a special invitation to the Reuben Awards, which are, for a cartoonist, the equivalent of the Academy Awards for screen actors.

Canada's Lynn Johnston, creator of the comic strip For Better or Worse, is organizing the awards this year and she has invited 17- year-old Joe Artinger to attend.

The festivities started Thursday (May 18) in Toronto and will wrap up

tomorrow (Sunday).

Lynn Johnston has made all the arrangements for Joe to attend. Joe met the famous cartoonist in 1987 at a week-long art workshop in North Bay. He appeared on North Bay TV with her and she complimented him on his style and his ideas.

During the four-day awards festivities Joe will have a chance to meet more than 300 celebrated international cartoonists such as Cathy

Guiswite (Cathy), Mort Drucker (MAD Magazine), Mike Peters (Mother Goose and Grimm), Mort Walker and Dik Browne (Hi and Lois), Charles Schulz (Peanuts), Russell Myers (Broom Hilda) and Will Eisner (The Spirit).

It is the first time the 43-year-old event has been held outside the U.S. The presentations are being made at

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Pregnant woman pushed

Police are looking for two bike- riding bandits who pushed down a pregnant woman and grabbed her purse.

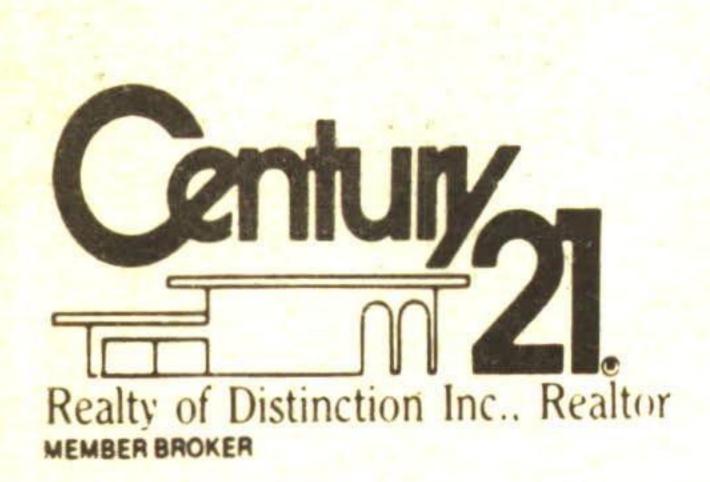
The 24-year-old Acton woman was walking through the parking lot of the Georgetown Marketplace on Guelph St. at about 7 p.m. Monday.

Two teens approached her from behind, pushed her down and then fled on BMX bicycles with her purse.

The woman's legs were bruised and scraped when she landed on the pavement, according to police, but otherwise she was unhurt.

Her purse was found a short time later behind one of the stores at the

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Beer bottle thrown

An empty beer bottle was thrown through the windshield of a 1972 Porsche parked in the area of Queen St. and Acton Blvd., Acton sometime overnight Sunday. Police say about \$250 damage was done.

Lawn damaged

An unidentified vehicle drove over the lawn of the Frank Heller Co. on McDonald Blvd. in Acton sometime overnight Sunday. Police say about \$25 damage was done to the lawn.

Tires flattened

Possibly one of the first to pay the new provincial tax on tires will be a Georgetown resident. A cube truck parked at a Hewson Cres. address had two tires flattened by persons unknown sometime between May 12 and May 15. Police say replacement value of the tires is about \$250.

Unlocked van

Two fishing poles and reels were stolen from an unlocked van parked at a Stewarttown Rd. address overnight May 13, police report. Value of the items is about \$140.

Door handle broken

The passenger's door handle of a 1981 Chrysler was broken off sometime overnight Sunday, police report. The car was parked at a Park Ave., Georgetown address and damage is estimated at about \$25.

Window smashed

The window of a rear door at Joseph Gibbons Public School in Georgetown was smashed sometime last weekend. Police say damage is about \$100.

Sulphur fire

A sulphur fire was ignited in a trailer at Holly Industries in Acton early Tuesday morning. The fire was ignited by static electricity, according to the fire department. Damage is estimated at \$50.

Let's tiptoe through these tulips

Three-year old Matthew Davidson and mum Ingrid were out enjoying the beautiful weather and sweet smelling tulips in the beds at Remembrance Park in Georgetown this week. The heat and the sun made it seem more like summer

than spring, and the two Georgetown residents decided to take advantage of the unseasonable temperatures by taking a stroll in the park. Photo by Stuart Johnston.

By MARK HOLMES

Town Engineer Bob Austin acknowledged that a new commercial garbage collection system won't be perfect, but it's better than no service at all.

And, with that in mind, he told council Monday that a new system could be ready by the end of summer, winding up a year -long process that has spawned at least five staff reports.

Some businesses may not like the arrangements being made to collect their garbage, but Austin said some compromises may be found.

The Town's commercial collection program will be advertised in the local media, and Austin expects a good response from area businesses.

There are many inherent problems with any commercial garbage collection system, including the one in use now, Austin pointed out.

But, the present system of twice weekly curb side collection, though it has its own problems, may be the system of choice.

There are a number of container type systems that could be used, but most have drawbacks.

Staff indicated that container pick up from private property is undesireable and that containers, if overfilled, may contribute to littering.

And, for safety reasons, sanitation workers don't want to back up the collection trucks to access containers.

On the other hand, curbside collection can create an untidy appearance on town boulevards.

Austin said he may propose a system which limits the number of trash bags that can be put out for collection. By limiting curbside trash, collection will be more efficient and reduce any unsightliness.

Responding to queries from Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson, Austin said garbage collection will be addressed through site plan controls on future development.

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