

Strays seek homes

A silver-grey cat was turned in three weeks ago to the Halton Hills Veterinary Clinic in Georgetown.

An unknown person found the stray cat on Park Avenue. Although it was wearing a collar, no identification tags were present.

Veterinary staff say they have watched the papers, but no one has advertised for the lost cat.

"We'll vaccinate him and bath him before he's placed in a home," said receptionist Leslie Johnston. "We suggest he be neutered. That's probably why he's a stray," she said.

The nameless cat is friendly and quiet. "He's clean with his litter. He has a good appetite and he doesn't have any fleas," said Johnston.

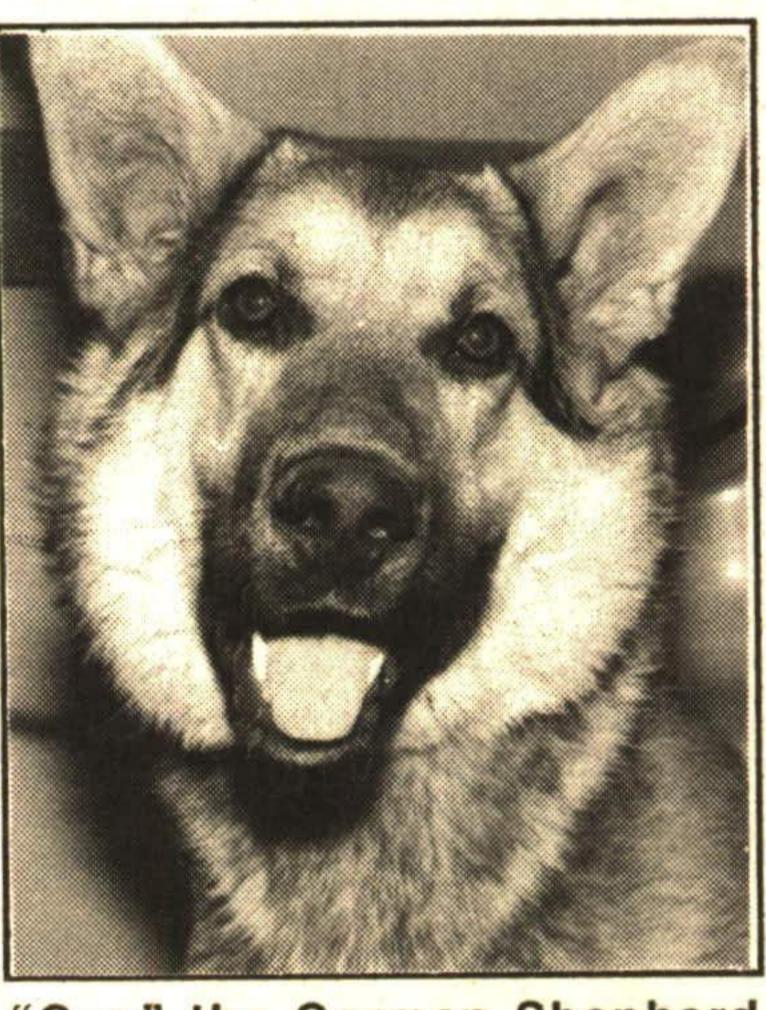
Mr. Cat also has a clean bill of health. Would he like an affectionate home? Meow.

Gus, the stray and injured German Shepherd puppy, is alive and well but needs a loving home.

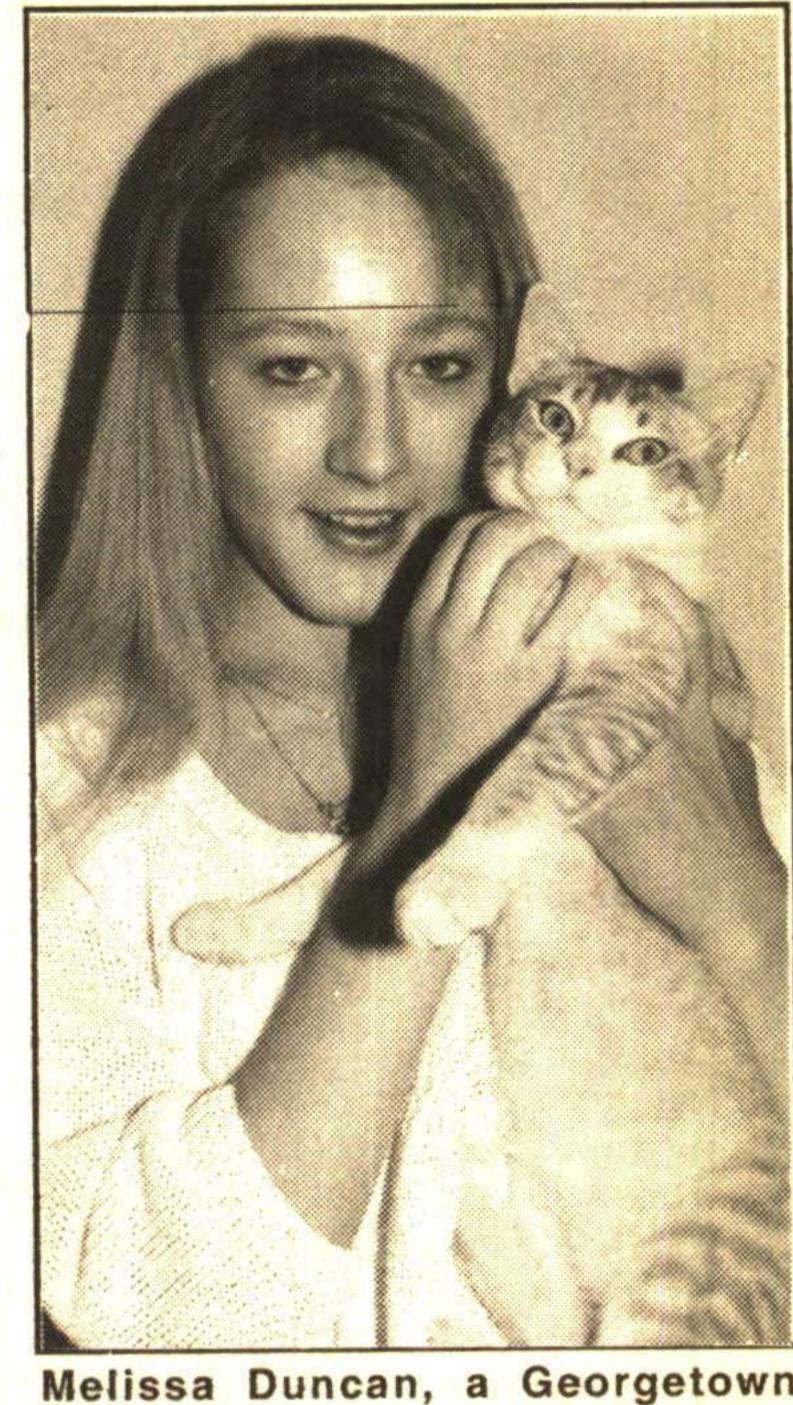
"Gus", as Halton Hills Veterinary Clinic staff have dubbed him, was brought in by Joe Kirley of the Animal Control Service three weeks ago.

Kirley found Gus on Eighth Line north of Steeles. He was bleeding profusely from his tail, said veterinarian Dr. Stephen Hess. "There was blood everywhere."

Gus had warfarin, and had been exposed to rat poison, explained Dr.



"Gus" the German Shepherd puppy needs a good home. He's a healthy, frisky seven-month old waiting for a family at the Halton Hills Veterinary Clinic.



Melissa Duncan, a Georgetown District High School co-op student at the Halton Hills Veterinary Cinic, holds a great cat who needs a happy home.

Hess. Rat poison stops the clotting process, endangering Gus's life.

"He was in really bad shape," said Dr. Hess. "His gums were white. He [Joe Kirley] was very concerned about his condition."

Gus was given a blood transfusion from Dr. Hess's dog, Daisy. He was also treated with vitamin K therapy.

Gus has achieved a remarkable and complete recovery. "I'm surprised at how well he made a recovery. I really thought he was going to die," said Dr. Hess.

Gus danced excitedly, announcing just how great he feels after his ordeal. But no one has come forward to claim Gus.

"He's very exuberant," said receptionist Leslie Johnston. "He needs firm training." Gus is only seven months old. "But he's very quiet in his cage during the day," Johnston said.

Johnston explained that Gus is also afraid of traffic.

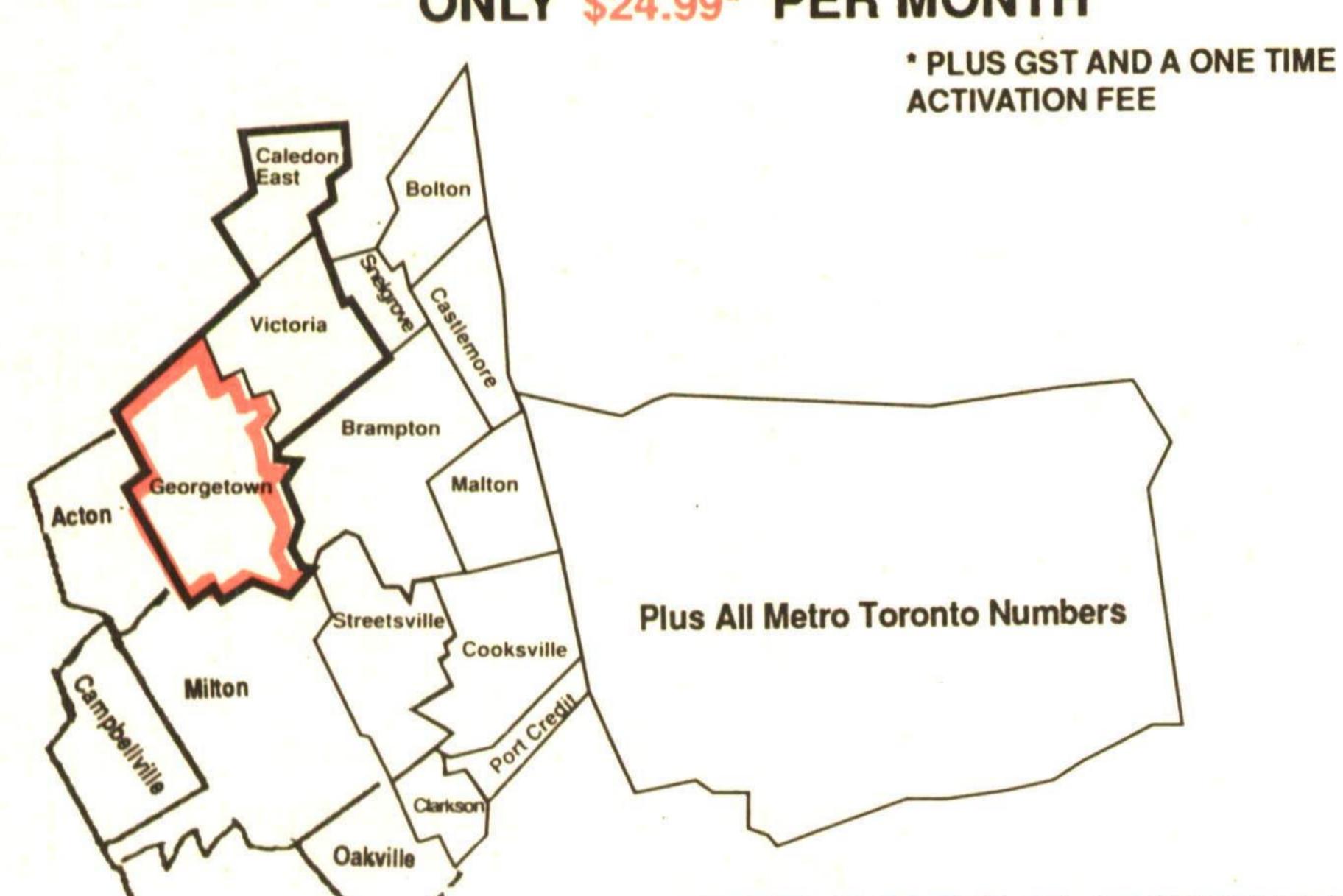
If you can provide a good, patient home for Gus, contact the Halton Hills Veterinary Clinic at 853-1450.

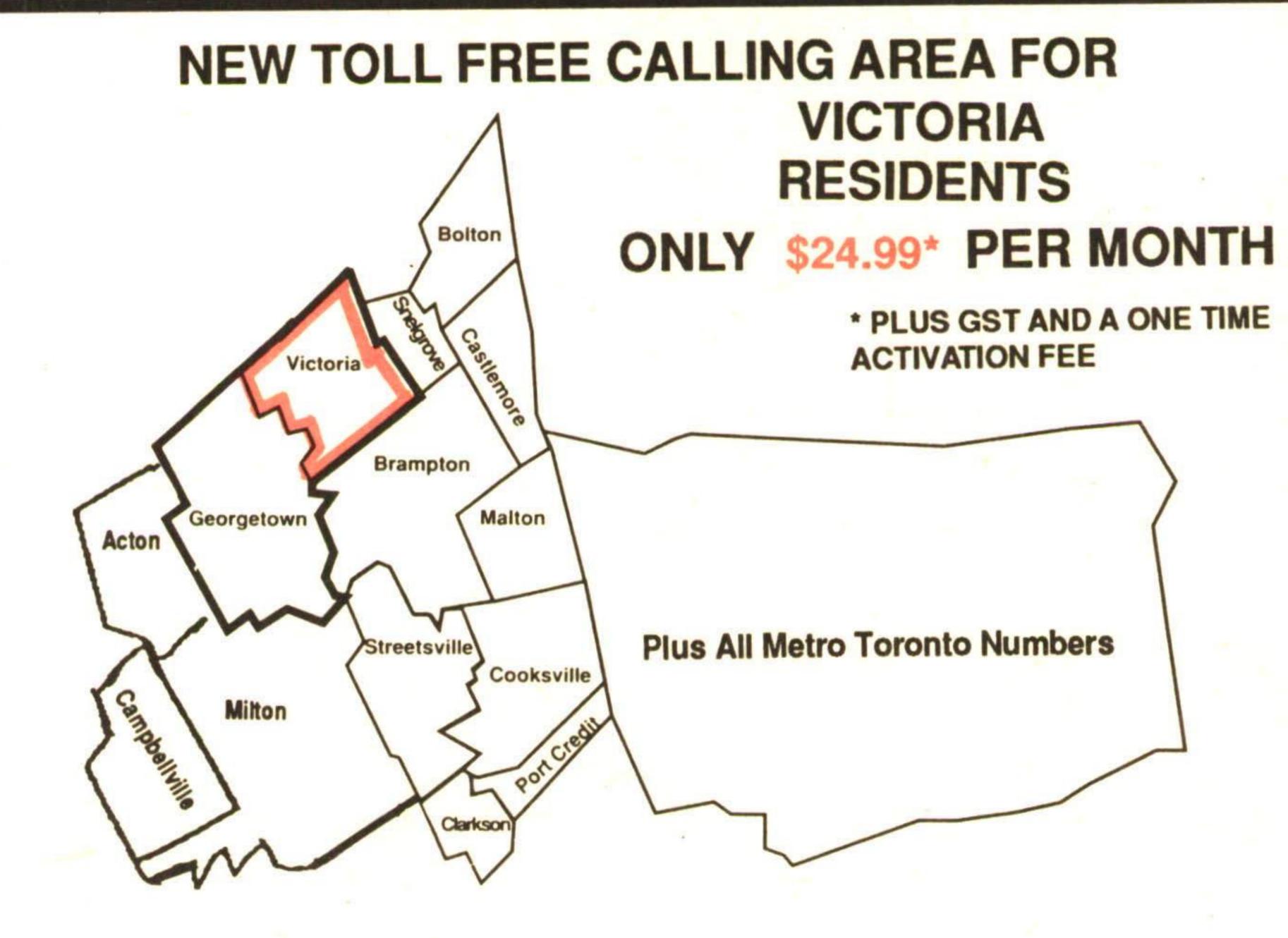
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