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Foodstuffs on Main St., Georgetown was chosen as Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce Business of the Month for the month of February. The bulk food business has operated from the same location for the past 11 years. The presentation was made Thursday afternoon, as (from left)

Carol-Anne Fisher of Teddy Bear Specialties, Foodstuffs employee Dawn Falls, Foodstuffs owners Marcia and Margaret Dye and Norman Holt of Oxbow Books joined in the presentation.

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Thursday, Feb. 17th
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 19th
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Glen Group Learning Professor provides '50 years' of philosophy and humor

By JANET DUVAL
Special to The Independent/Free Press

When the speaker is a computer expert from the University of Waterloo, and the topic is What I've Learned in Fifty Years, you don't expect an afternoon of stand-up comedy.

Dr. John Moore entertained 60 seniors at the Glen Group Learning lecture series in St. Alban's Church, Glen Williams with a talk that rambled from childhood memories, to time management tips, to the politi-

cal musings of a Reform Party director who once ran for the Liberal nomination in Waterloo.

Life, he has learned, has three stages: youth, middle age, and "you haven't changed." You've reached the last stage "when you sink your teeth into a steak, and they stay there."

He has learned that even experts do silly things, like the person who invented a battery-powered battery charger, or the institution that designed a requisition form for requisition forms.

As a child in Waterdown, he used to wonder how Bing Crosby could sing on radio station CHML, then rush across town to CKOC and sing again. "From that I learned that seemingly complex problems have simple answers."

There's nothing complex about Moore's attitude to computers. "If you have computer phobia, get over it. They have fantastic power and memory capability."

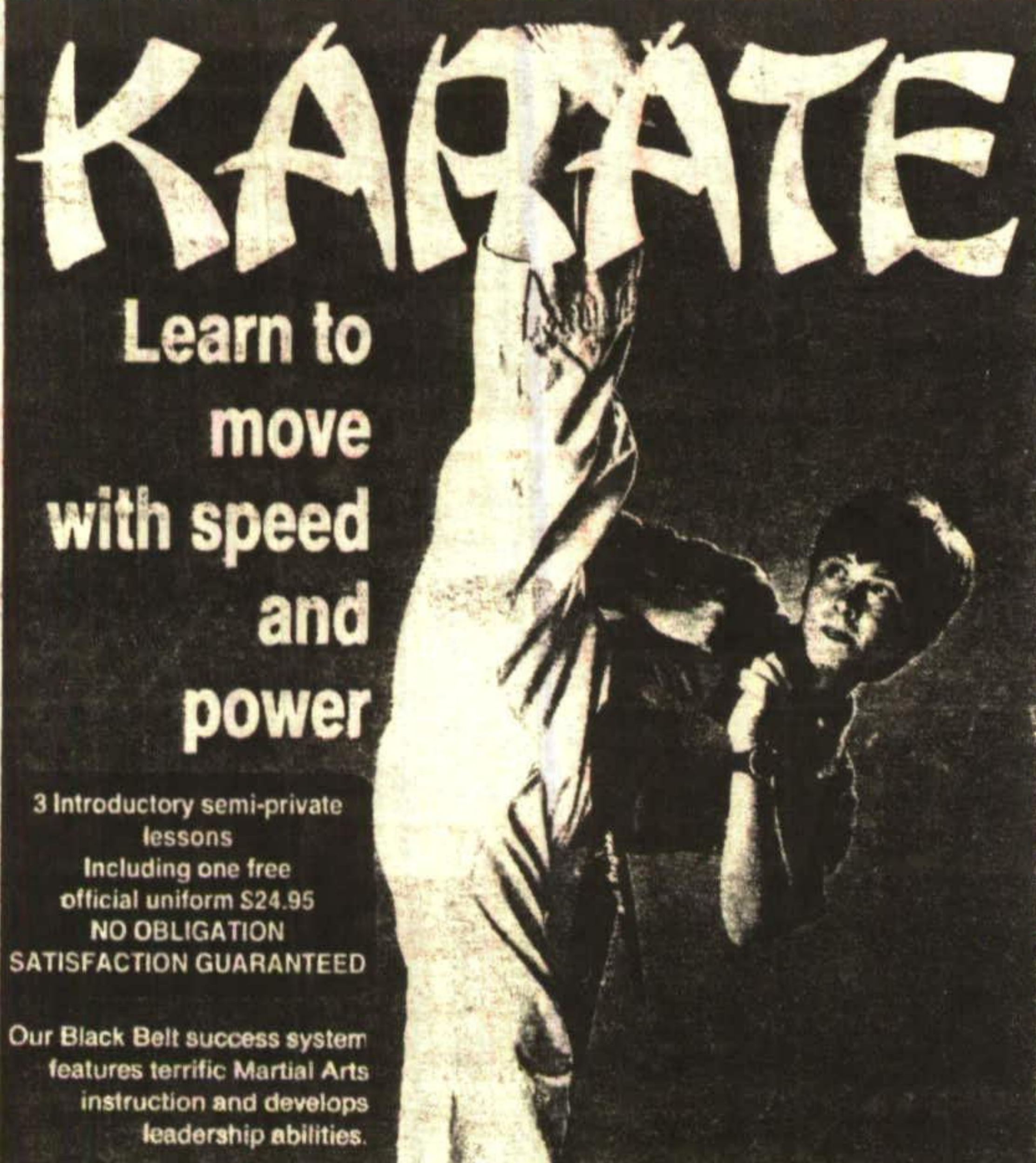
A Toronto surgeon can now do remote surgery, manipulating surgical instruments by computer in another location. In the arts, the world's best musician can't distinguish the sound of a real trumpet or violin from computer-generated sound. At the movies or on the newscast, you soon won't be able to distinguish a real image from one a computer makes.

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A typical car has 100 built-in computers, and more are used in design and impact studies. Mercedes, he believes, is the leader in computer use for automobile safety. If you're expecting a car that will drive itself for you, "it's only a matter of time", although we won't likely see cars locking into a laser guide system on the 401 - "the logistics are horrendous."

Moore took the opportunity to expound his political views, based on what he says are three natural, immutable laws that govern human conduct: supply and demand, survival of the fittest, and "life has no guarantees." The latter is a position justly earned, by a man whose brother was killed by a drunk driver, whose son became a quadriplegic following a motorcycle accident, and whose father, a United Church minister, died agonizingly with Alzheimer disease.

During question period, audience members who remembered the Depression challenged some of Moore's political views, including the suggestion that too many people would rather take welfare than work. Would that be true for people replaced by robots and computers, wondered one man?

Questioned about immigrants taking Canadian jobs, Moore commented that we don't "own" the jobs in this country, only the person offering the job does. That person alone can choose who is best for the position, whether immigrant or Canadian. How many should be allowed into the country is another question.

The Glen Group Learning series continues each Tuesday afternoon in February at 2 p.m. in St. Alban's Anglican Church Hall.