

Boyle hopes commercial will help acting career

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A commercial featuring Georgetown resident Steve Boyle has been getting regular airplay on MuchMusic.

The commercial for the Injury Prevention Foundation, shows Boyle walking across a bridge in Peterborough, Ontario, climbing the bridge's girder, then poised for a dive into the Otonabee River below.

It is designed to jolt viewers, particularly young people, into avoiding stupid risks.

As Boyle prepares for the dive an announcer says, "Will our star die? Or be paralyzed for life? Or did he look before he walked onto the bridge? Only you can write the ending. Because our star is you."

Boyle shot the commercial in one day last fall. He didn't have to actually take the dive, a stand-in did that for him.

The Injury Prevention spot is 18-year-old Boyle's second commercial. About three years ago he appeared in a shoe commercial in the southern US.

He also shot a McCain's Pizza com-



STEVE BOYLE

mercial which was never aired.

Although he has only been in show business for a short time Boyle has learned how to handle the rejection most actors face. He knows that to succeed in show business he needs determination and a thick skin.

"This is a real up and down business," says Boyle. "I think it often comes down to being the right person at the right place and time."

Boyle says he decided he wanted to be an actor several years ago. He gave up hockey to study dance at Cheri Lindsay Dance Studio.

Before he got his break in commercials he did some modeling in Brampton and Toronto.

But acting is his ultimate goal. He has taken several acting courses in Toronto including a course offered at Second City in Toronto. Many of his days are filled with auditions, and if he's lucky, call-backs.

While he is working toward establishing his acting career, and even considering a move to Los Angeles, Boyle has his feet on the ground. If acting doesn't pan out, he plans to go to university.

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Canvassers needed

The Acton unit of the Canadian Cancer Society is in desperate need of volunteers to canvas the residents of the Maria St. and Churchill Rd. South apartment area of Acton during April, which is Cancer Month. Anyone interested should contact Liz Bailey, campaign chairperson of the Acton unit, by the end of March at 853-0585.

Water pump

The Halton Hills Fire Department was called to a residence on Main St. in Glen Williams at 5 p.m. Thursday because the electrical hook up on a water pump had burned out. There was no fire when they arrived, and the electricity had been shut off. They ventilated the house and returned to the station.

Community study

Residents of Nassagaweya are invited to review the preliminary report a community study.

A meeting will be held on March 22 at 8 p.m. in the church hall, that will summarize the results of seven 'cottage meetings.

The project hopes to build on the traditional sense of community that rural heritage offers.

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Open doors — open books



Elizabeth Cameron (left) and Vanessa Li, both of grade 3, were among the many Georgetown and District Christian School students who greeted parents and siblings at the school's open house Wednesday. The open

house, which ran during the afternoon and later in the evening, gave parents and new students a chance to see what Georgetown Christian School has to offer.

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Concerns raised by neighbors

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There were few concerns raised by area residents at a public meeting dealing with a proposed rural subdivision in Acton.

The proposal by Gino Molinaro, which has been forwarded to the Ontario Municipal Board, is for 25 residential lots and a highway commercial block, on a 95 acre parcel of land on the southwest corner of Hwy. 7 and Fourth Line. As part of the plan an existing house currently situated on the property would be on its own block. If approved the development would expand the Bannochburn rural cluster.

Wally Selihar, a neighbor of the proposed development, had the most to say about the proposal.

"Does he (Molinaro) understand the economic times that we are in," said Selihar. He added that he hoped the homes would not be like the Worden Woods development, which he referred to as a "dog's breakfast."

"Will this add to the contamination of Black Creek," he asked.

Selihar was assured by a drainage expert hired by Molinaro that a detention pond would be dug on the southwest corner of the property to treat the stormwater from the development before it is released into the creek.

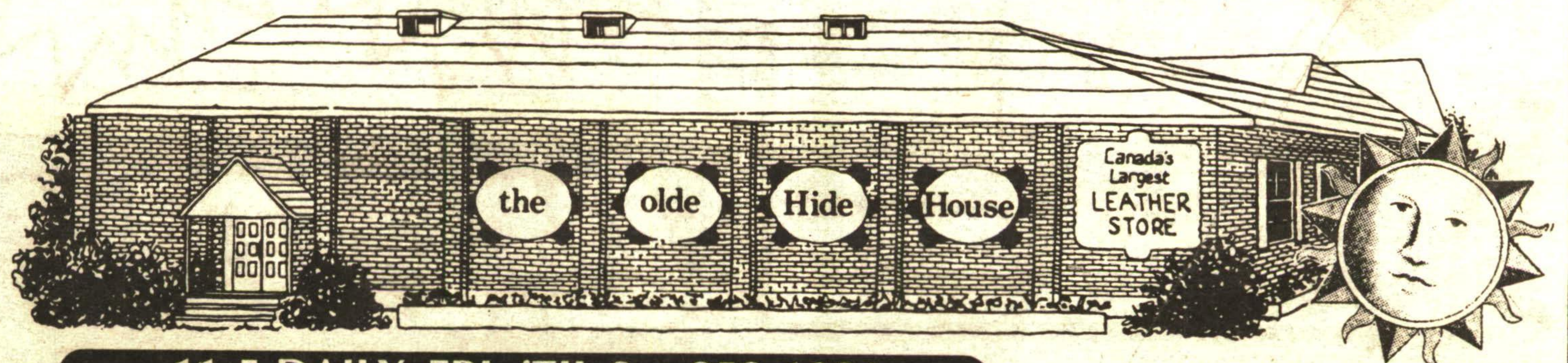
Gordon Driedger, a planner representing Molinaro, said his client was aware of the economic times, and while the architectural aspects of the development haven't been worked out yet, his client "prefers to do things in a top quality manner."

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