

EDITORIAL

with Frances Learment

Road rage endangers life

What makes someone so mad/impatient/stupid that they throw a projectile through the window of another vehicle going too slow for their liking?

Imagine the sheer horror of something suddenly smashing through your car window, sending glass shards all over your innocent family. That's what happened on Monday when an allegedly criminally impatient driver of a Ford Ranger tossed a steel object the size of a softball - described by police as a as a weapon - through the window of a car as he passed it, heading eastbound on Highway 7 near Silvercreek.

The object hit the driver's back and she suffered minor injuries. Her passenger husband was not injured, and their two children in the back seat were covered in glass shards, but not injured. They were checked out by EMS at the Georgetown police station where the family went after the driver fled the scene.

The husband had the wherewithal to write down the Ford's licence plate, and 35 hours later, a suspect turned himself in - no word if he was accompanied by a lawyer.

You'd hope that with serious charges including Mischief Endangering Life, Dangerous Driving, Assault with a Weapon and Mischief - convictions could lead to jail time - the accused might be held for bail (and not be on the road.), but, no, he was released by police on a Promise to Appear and an Undertaking with an August 4 court date.

Cold comfort to the road rage victims, described only as a "local family."



WELCOME REVEREND: The Reverend Todd Nelson was ordained and then inducted as minister at Knox Presbyterian Church recently. - George Henderson photo

PAST PAGES



Ten Years Ago

- Local families who think they may qualify as a Habitat for Humanity partner family were asked to call a hotline to register for a Habitat home, including one to be constructed on Crescent Street.

- The new Acton EMS station on Churchill Road opened with a tour, displays a ceremony and reception. It is one of four new stations to meet a growing demand in calls for service and equalize ambulance services in the Region.

Five Years Ago

- Halton Council upped the budget for studies to find more water to handle already approved growth in Acton to \$1.1-million and also extended the search area for a new municipal well.

- The Halton public schools board's contentious plan to sell off surplus land at McKenzie Smith Bennett School prompted Town Council to ask the province for changes in legislation governing such sales.

By Ashley Lang

Last Wednesday, 4H Halton staged a judging competition at Nurseland Farm in Georgetown. Groups of members moved through stations to judge tires, dairy heifers, beef heifers, water bottles and crop-hay, and taking part in an I.D quiz.

We judged each station by scenarios, like a teenager going off to college, or needing a good strong and sturdy animal, and at the end of the meeting, we learned the correct answers from each station.

The Halton 4H Goat Club

covered general goat know-



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ledge - including how many stomachs it has, how to know if your goat has fish teets, how to clip goats hooves and how to feed goat kids - at a recent

meeting. We also experimented to see if anyone could tell the difference between cow and goat cheeses.

A new executive was elected including Jessica McCann - president, DJ Lawrence - vice-president, Danna Glasgow - secretary, and Ashley Lang - reporter, and Connor Swackhammer - photographer.

We also learned how to identify how many and what types of worms goats may have. We also were assigned Goat Club projects, which involves the 10 members doing a research project on the goat breed they were given.

Correction

Royal Canadian Legion Ladies Auxiliary President Peggy Harris was shown in a

photo last week presenting an award to a graduate during MSB Graduation ceremony. She was

misidentified as Legion member Sharon Graham. The Tanner regrets the error.



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