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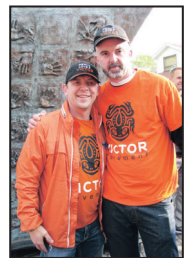
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Barrels of fun

# Who killed Paavo Henttonen?

Tomorrow marks the 11th anniversary of the murder of the 54-year-old... Halton Hills's only unsolved homicide

By **LISA TALLYN**  
Staff Writer

It was shortly after midnight when Paavo (Paul) Henttonen was dropped off by a taxi at his Rosetta St. apartment following an evening at the Barber Towne Pub 11 years ago.

Hours later he was found dead in his blood-splattered apartment. Police said he had been stabbed repeatedly with a kitchen knife.

At the time, Halton Regional Police spokesperson Sgt. Val Hay called the May 17, 2002 murder "a real whodunit."

Today, following an initial two-year investigation and many reviews of the cold case by investigators, the identity of Henttonen's killer(s) remains a mystery.

The 54-year-old man's body was found by an employee of his scrap metal and pop machine repair business.

"The crime scene was fairly extensive and horrific at the time," said Det. Sgt. John Mans of the Halton Regional Police Service Homicide and Regional Fraud Unit.

Henttonen, who was estranged from his wife, died of multiple stab wounds from a large knife, believed to have come from his apartment. Mans said it's quite possible who-ever killed him may have been injured.

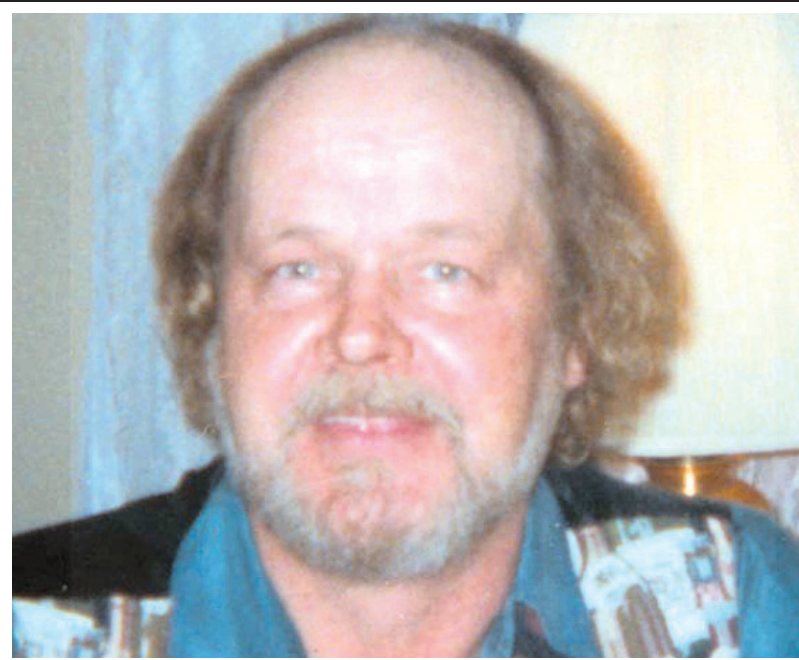
"There was blood everywhere," he said. "There was hair, there were fingerprints. Everything you can possibly think of was gathered. To date that evidence has not identified who the person was."

Some witnesses had reported that Henttonen had recently won a couple thousand dollars in the lottery. Mans said money was taken when he was killed, but it's unknown if that was the sole motive or due to an "opportunistic moment."

There was other things in the apartment police believe would have been removed if robbery were the only motive, he said.

Shortly after the murder, Hay said there was no sign of forced entry, the apartment wasn't ransacked, and it didn't look like there had been any struggle or fight.

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**HALTON REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE**  
**MURDER INVESTIGATION**

**REWARD**

**\$25,000**



Victim  
Paavo (Paul) Henttonen

On the evening of Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2002, the victim attended the Barber Town Pub in Georgetown, Ontario. The victim was last seen when he was dropped off by a taxicab at his residence on Rosetta Street just after midnight on the morning of Friday May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2002, where he was later found stabbed to death.

The victim's motor vehicle was later located in the area of Dominion Gardens Drive and Mountainview Road in Georgetown, Ontario. It was a 1997 Chevrolet 1500 extended cab pickup truck (green). Licence plate 371 5KW.

I am authorized on behalf of the Regional Municipality of Halton, Police Services Board, to offer a reward of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person(s) on the charge of murder in this case. The reward, payable in Canadian funds, expires on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2003. The reward will be shared proportionally amongst the persons supplying the information at the conclusion of the trial and any appeals therefrom. Information received through anonymous means does not qualify for payment from this reward. The reward is separate and apart from Crime Stoppers. Claims for this award will only be recognized when made in writing prior to the expiry date.

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Halton Police issued this reward poster soon after Paavo (Paul) Henttonen was murdered in his Rosetta Street apartment.



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