

Acton man fined \$1,000 for tire dumping

By Dianne Cornish

An Acton man, convicted of dumping car and truck tires on an embankment near 27 Sideroad and the Eighth Line, was fined \$1,000 for littering last week. A justice of the peace at Milton provincial court imposed the fine on Robert Briand.

While the maximum fine for littering is \$5,000, Halton Hills municipal law enforcement officer

Ron Stein views the \$1,000 fine as "quite significant." Stein said he believes some latitude was given by the court because the accused is unemployed, married and the father of three children.

Although the offence took place last June, Stein said there's increased community concern about possible roadside dumping since a user-pay system was instituted at the Leferink Transfer Station in Georgetown, Jan. 1 of

this year. "We want citizens to report to us when they see littering in the country," he added.

The town laid littering charges against Briand based on evidence collected during an investigation by Constable Dennis Dimitroff of the Georgetown Division, Halton Regional Police Service.

A citizen, who noticed a pickup truck filled with old tires and parked near the Eighth Line and 27 Sideroad, reported the incident to

police after writing down the licence number of the truck. Several tires were strewn for over a kilometre on a nearby embankment, many of them directly in front of a sign which warns against dumping in the area. Part of the Bruce Trail runs right through the area.

Further investigation revealed that some of the tires had been given to Briand by the owner of Silver Creek Shell, on Highway 7

between Acton and Georgetown. The gas station owner had paid Briand to dispose of the tires and believed that he was doing so, legally.

The tires were traceable because some were marked as warranty tires.

It cost the town \$821.28 to dispose of the tires, Stein said. Briand has 30 days to register an appeal on his conviction.

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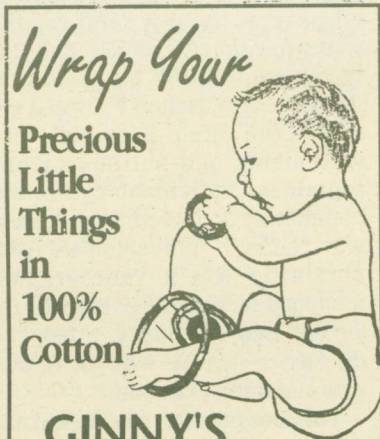
Private Lives, the romantic comedy by Noel Coward, will be directed by Vesta Jorgensen. This will be Jorgensen's first play with GLT, although she recently directed South Pacific in Georgetown. The show will be produced by Fran Anthony, a long-time GLT regular.

Elyot Chase, the role Noel Coward created for himself, will be played by Eric Witvoet, recently seen as Dr. Jim Tennyson in Dr. Cook's Garden. His one-time wife, Amanda, will be played by newcomer Terri Reid. Two other newcomers, Brian Banyard and Carolyn Crooks, will play Victor and Sybil, the other couple in this sophisticated and romantic tangle which is pure Noel Coward.

Louise, the maid, will be played by Ro Palumbo Coates, who has appeared

recently in GLT's productions of The Curate Shakespeare and Opera Comique.

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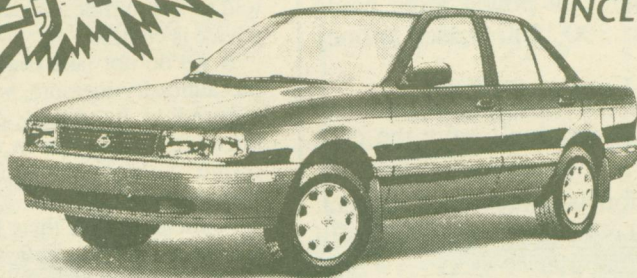
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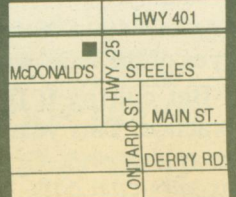


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