# Terry Fox Run beats '93 total, locals prove 'they really care'

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as they each circled the track at Acton High School 25 times to make up the 10 kilometre distance.

"Although we had fewer participants this year, we still raised more money than last year," a very happy run organizer Jon Hurst said in an interview on Sunday.

"Once again Acton residents have proved that they really care and are willing to be very generous. We had 28 volunteers who helped make the day a success and I want to say thank-you to each and every one of them," said Hurst who described Terry Fox as a "true Canadian hero".

Hurst said he was not surprised with Sunday's turnout and donation total because Acton has consistently been one of the top 20 run sites in Ontario.

"I don't like to set a dollar goal each year but we do aim to stay in that top 20 and Acton residents make that job easy."

For Acton's Meghann Williams, 10, who rode her bike around the course, the event was a chance to help a good cause.

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I was born but he is a hero to me."

For the Black family of Acton, the Terry Fox Run has become a family tradition. While Keith Black counted laps his son John pushed his father Bill around the track in his wheelchair.

"For the first few years my Dad, who is 93, walked the track. Now that he is in the wheelchair he still wants to participate and do what he can," said John.

## Record fair totals

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geons used this year. "As a whole, the Board appreciated the support from the community," said Fread. She added that 62 floats, bands and cars delighted a packed parade route, which began at McKenzie-Smith Middle School and proceeded down Mill Street. "There was hardly anyone (on the route) at

11:45 am — the parade started shortly after noon — but it was packed later. "It was gratifying to see the

support from the people and from the merchants and sponsors who never seem to stop, even when you hit them up 50 times."

While the Fall Fair Board will meet this week to discuss possible changes to the 82nd event next year, Fread expressed a concern

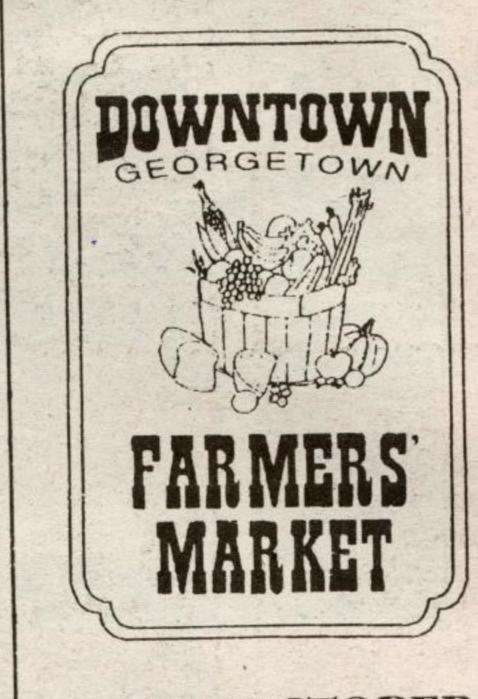
with some of the events - specifically the showing of cattle — in terms of location and attendance.

"We'll have to rectify those problems (location and attendance)," Fread offered. "One of the reasons the cattle are at the back of the grounds is because there's a source of water there and also shady areas which the (cattle owners appreciate). We'll have to find a way to attract people there and when they're there, make it more interesting for them."

On the whole, though, Fread deemed the 81st Acton Fall Fair a success and promised to top this year's effort in '95.

"There was a lot of positive feedback from people and nothing seemed to go wrong. I can't believe it's over," remarked Fread, who admitted to still "being on a high" some 18 hours after closing the gates.

"There were no major problems, the Board worked extremely hard and I know Acton's Fall Fair is the best. Why would anyone go anywhere else?"



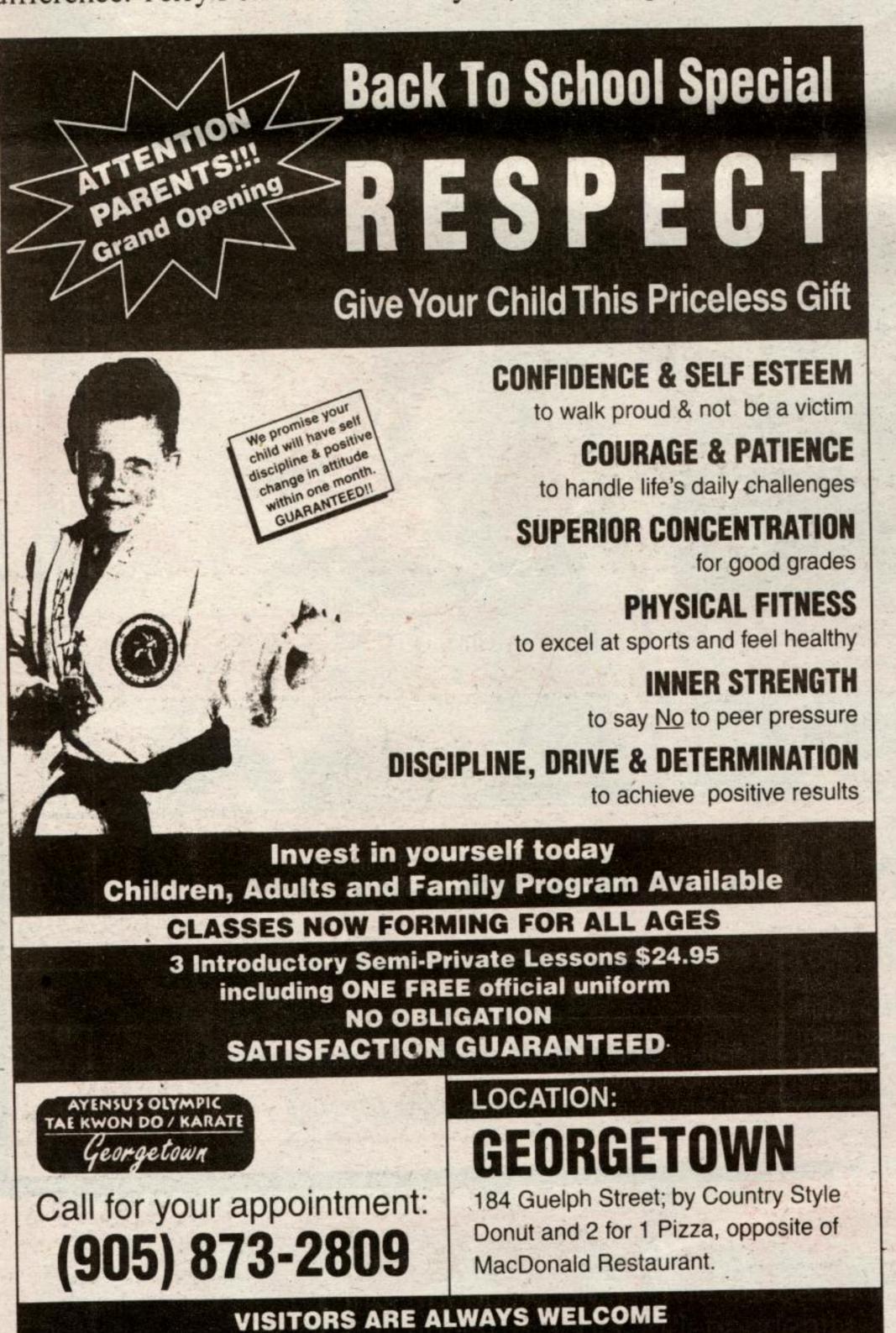
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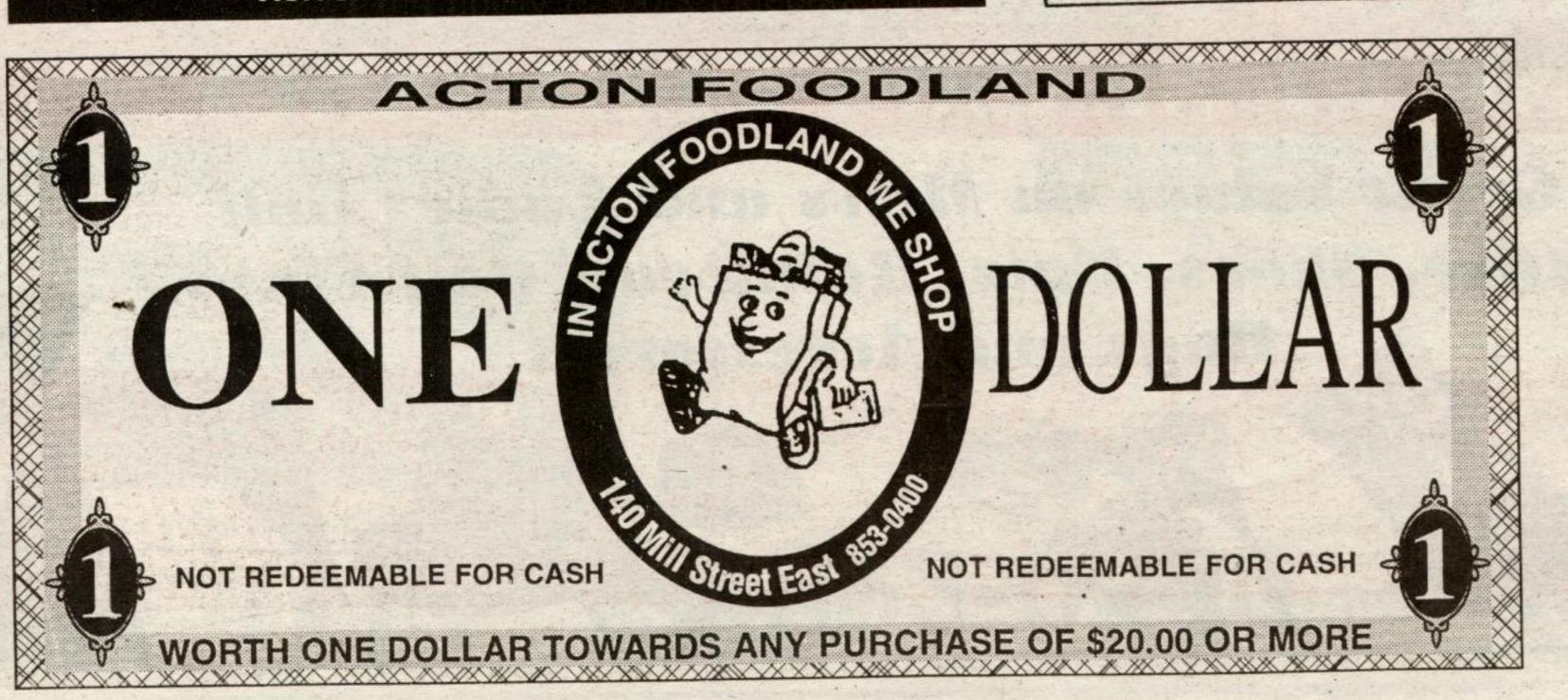
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## NEWSSHORTS

#### Break-in linked to car theft

An alarm call brought police to Speyside School on Hwy. 25, between 1:30 and 2 am on Friday morning. Halton Police found that the school had been entered through a smashed door at the front of the school. Classrooms were ransacked, a computer was damaged, but nothing was taken.

A car, stolen in Toronto on Thursday, was found in the school parking lot and later that morning a Sixth Line resident reported the theft of his 1970 Dodge Challenger.

Police suspect the culprits came from Toronto in the stolen vehicle, broke into school, made away on foot and stole the second vehicle.

#### Hit-and-run in Acton

Police report that a 1988 GMC van, parked overnight on Acton Boulevard, was hit sometime between last Tuesday and Wednesday.

The driver's door, fender and body were damaged, resulting in approximately \$700 damage.

#### Another hit-and-run downtown

Another failure-to-remain accident occurred between Saturday and Sunday, to a truck parked on Main Street North. Police report that the '94 Chevrolet pickup sustained \$500 damage to the right front fender.

Police are investigating the incident.

#### Kitchen fire on 22 Sideroad

Firefighters were called last Thursday at 4 pm to a residence at 22 Sideroad and the First Line. Apparently a pot of cooking oil had been left on the stove, and this started the fire. By the time firefighters arrived the fire was already extinguished, but they remained to help clear the smoke from the house.

Damage is estimated at \$8,000.

#### False alarm

An alarm activation brought firefighters to a home on Elizabeth Drive on Saturday at 3:38 pm, but it turned out to be a malfunctioning system.

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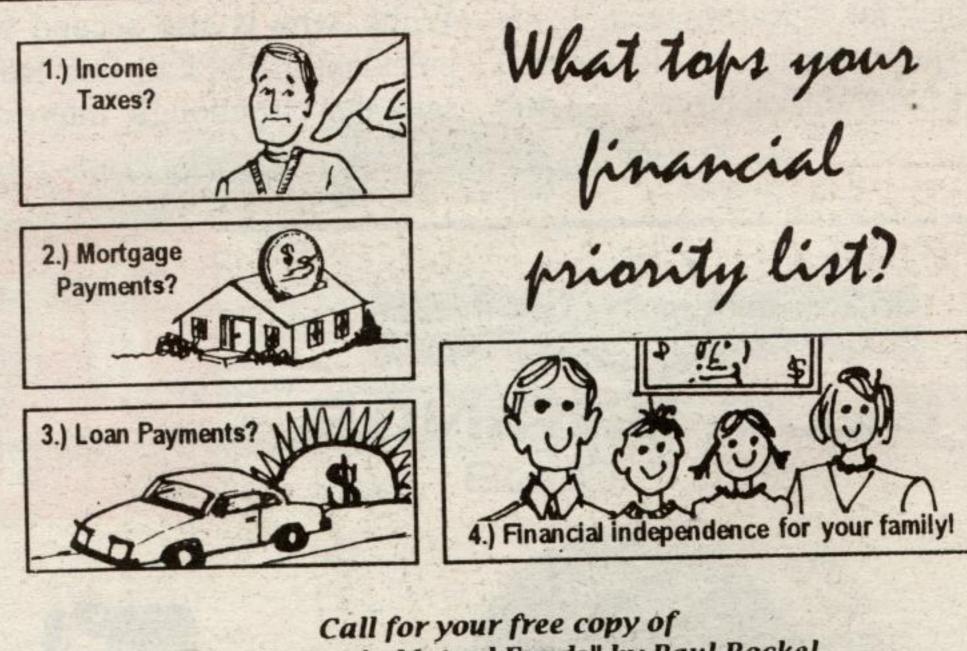
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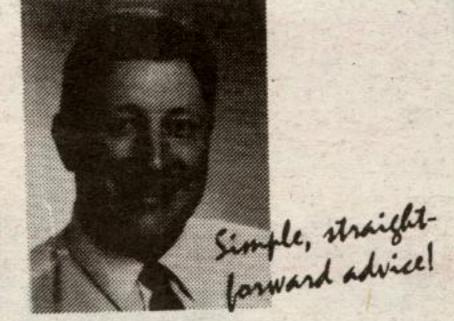
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