

Cab driver attacked in Kingham incident

Two men who saw a Georgetown Taxi driver smashed in the face with a beer bottle on Kingham Road at 12:45 Saturday morning are urged to come forward before police track them down.

Three white men, aged 16 to 18-years-old, were picked up by the 47-year-old taxi driver, an Oakville resident, from an address on Trafalgar Road and taken to Kingham where two of the men got out of the cab, saying they

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were going to get the \$25 fare.

The third man suddenly clubbed the driver with the bottle, causing "severe" injuries to his eye and face. The three fled the scene and the cabbie called for help. He was taken to hospital by ambulance, treated and released.

"We've got some forensic stuff. We expect to get these guys, but we're hoping the two guys will make our job a lot easier and come forward," Halton Detective Sergeant Jackie Gordon said on Monday, adding police can identify the three men because just

before the assault, the cab was stopped at a roadside alcohol spot check.


Anyone with information is asked to call Halton police at 878-5511, ex: 2415, or Crime Stoppers.

Officer assaulted

A 40-year-old Rockwood woman was charged with assault after an off-duty Halton police officer was spit in the face when he

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Eden Mill Cemetery has a new addition. See story on Page 12.



Halton Region Chair Joyce Savoline is being challenged by two other candidates for her post. See Page 9.

Consider ultra-violet to treat water

Over budget on Alcott

By FRANCES NIBLOCK
The New Tanner

Town councillors will accept cheaper flooring and unpainted beams, but won't make more than cosmetic and relatively minor cost-cutting changes to the Alcott arena-twinning project in Georgetown.

When the lowest bid for the \$4.1-million project came in \$1-million over budget - consulting fees and other costs could make that \$2-million - staff recommended the current bids be rejected and a redesigned, scaled down project be re-tendered.

Instead, Council will go back to the four qualified bidders with a "post bid addendum" and ask them to look for cost savings and re-bid on the changes identified by the

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PHOTO FUNDRAISER: This photo of Acton's John Eddolls sparked a bidding war during an auction of the Men of Acton calendar photos at an Acton Agricultural Society fundraiser on Friday at Blue Springs Golf Club. Miss Acton runner-up Ruth Eddolls (left) paid \$310 to outbid Acton BIA general manager Josey Murray (left) for the photo. John holds his sister's bid card and Ruth holds the cash that the enthusiastic and generous crowd pressed on her so she could stay in the bidding. See story on page 3. - Frances Niblock photo

Father dies in crash

Wife, daughter critically injured

Halton Regional Police are still investigating a two-vehicle accident Sunday evening which took the life of an Acton man and sent his wife and daughter to Toronto hospitals in critical condition.

Police say a half ton truck which was southbound on the Fifth Line collided with a van which was eastbound on 25 Sideroad around 7:55 p.m.

Deborah Stuckey, 38, of Kingham Road, Acton, was driving the van. Acton firefighters had to extricate both Mrs. Stuckey and her daughter, Nichole, 10, from the wreckage. Mother and daughter were both taken to Milton District Hospital where Mrs. Stuckey was airlifted to Toronto Sunnybrook Hospital and Nichole to Toronto Hospital for Sick Children.

Nichole was released Tuesday but Mrs. Stuckey is still recovering in hospital.

Her husband, Christopher Stuckey, 34, was pronounced dead at the scene.

A second daughter, Stephanie, 13, was taken to Guelph General Hospital where she was treated and released.

Danuta Bicz, 49, of Brantford was driving the truck with Alex Bicz, 51 as her passenger. Mrs. Bicz was taken to Milton District Hospital then to Toronto Western Hospital.

Mr. Bicz was taken to Guelph General Hospital where he was treated and released.

Any witnesses to the collision are asked to contact investigating officer, Det. Constable Mark Freeman at 878-5511, ext. 5056.

Two Acton wells are affected by bacteria

By FRANCES NIBLOCK
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Halton may install ultra violet light treatment - an extra measure of security - to kill E.coli and coliform bacteria, repeatedly found in raw water samples at two wells supplying half of Acton's daily water needs.

Municipal well water from both the Davidson and Fourth Line wells is being treated as "under the influence of groundwater" and a consultant will install equipment in both wells this week to try to determine the source of the contamination and recommend how to stop it.

Microbiological testing at both wells has been increased from weekly to daily at an additional cost of almost \$17,000 this year. Regional official stress there's no risk in drinking the municipal well water and E.coli or total coliform has never been found in the treated water.

Following heavy rains this spring tests founds levels of E.coli and total coliform counts as high as 34. The new Drinking Water Protection Regulations says E.coli and total coliform counts in a municipal water system should be zero.

Halton hydrogeologist Steve Holysh said the most recent test results he has for raw water quality at the

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Norm Elliot

Tribute to Norm Elliot

It was almost midnight when the final Halton Hills Council meeting before the election wrapped up on Monday - much too late for long good byes, but Ward 2 Councillor Kathy Gastle didn't let the night pass without a short farewell to retiring Acton

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