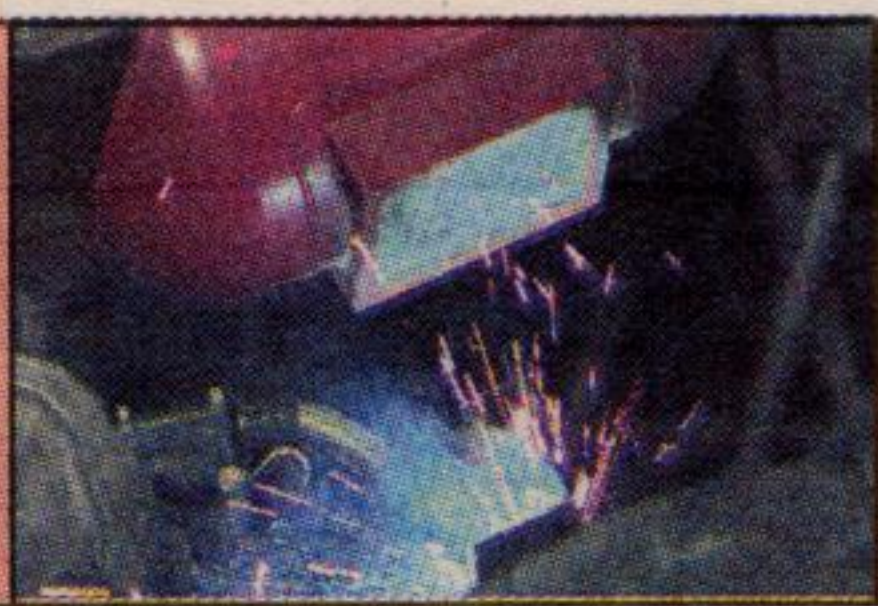


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NEWS AT A GLANCE

Teen charged

■ A 16-year-old Georgetown male has been charged with robbery and possession of a prohibited weapon in relation to an incident that occurred Saturday at about 10:30 p.m. outside of Georgetown Marketplace.

Police say a 17-year-old male was confronted by two males. One was armed with what appeared to be a switchblade knife. Police say one of the culprits demanded money from the victim, there was a brief struggle, and the victim was released. The culprits didn't get any money and the victim wasn't injured.

The victim went home and called police and based on descriptions provided by the youth, police were able to locate the two suspects in a restaurant near the mall.

Both youths were taken into custody and the switchblade knife was recovered. Only one was charged and is to appear in Milton court on May 2.



The votes are in... we're No. 1!



What the judges' said:

*'Super job both in content and presentation.
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interesting, well-cropped photos.'*

The Ontario Community Newspapers Association held its 1996 Better Newspapers Competition Saturday at the Airport Marriott Hotel in Etobicoke and The Independent & Free Press was awarded first place for general excellence in the 12,500-24,999 circulation class topping all other competitors. Above, are some of the people who bring you the paper each week. To find out who's who see page 10. Photo by Ted Brown

The Independent & Free Press is named top newspaper

The newspaper you're currently holding has been judged to be the best in Ontario in its circulation class.

The Independent & Free Press was named Ontario's top newspaper (circulation 12,500-24,999) at the Ontario Community Newspaper Association's 1996 Better Newspapers Competition held Saturday at

the Airport Marriott Hotel in Etobicoke.

The win comes on the heels of a readership survey last month which showed that The Independent & Free Press was the top choice of Halton Hills residents for news and information over any other publication.

"The staff can take great pride in this award," said publisher Ken Nugent. "This

award is further confirmation that our decision last year to re-design the newspaper was the right choice. The judges' comments echo what we have heard from our advertisers and our readers who have told us they like the new Independent & Free Press."

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