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NEWS AT A GLANCE

Boy injured

A 13-year-old
Georgetown boy was injured when a light pole that had been knocked down by a van struck him Monday morning.

Michael Cardinell was walking on Mill St. to the stop where he catches the bus to Stewarttown School when he was hit by the pole at about 7:45 a.m. The pole had been struck by a 1991 GMC van driven by 30-year-old Daniel Shier of Georgetown.

Police say the driver lost control of the van and struck the light pole which then struck the boy's leg. The youngster was taken to Georgetown Hospital by ambulance, treated for a fractured foot and released. Shier, who wasn't injured, was charged with failing to drive in a marked lane.

Caravan stolen

A 1991 Dodge Caravan, valued at \$15,000 was stolen from Tyler Transport on Queen St. in Acton sometime Wednesday or Thursday and later recovered in Guelph. Another van received \$1,000 damage when the windshield wipers were removed.

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Hey, aren't you...

While the weather this week is better suited for ducks, that didn't stop Santa Claus from making his annual pre-Christmas visit to Georgetown Saturday for the Santa Claus Parade. For more parade photos see page 3.

Photo by Herb Garbutt

Teachers to get tougher with Catholic school board

The nine-week dispute between Halton's Catholic high school teachers and their board is about to get nastier.

At Monday night's emergency meeting of the teachers' Sanction Committee, members decided to escalate their work to rule campaign.

According to Joe Pece, president of the Halton Secondary Unit of the Ontario English Catholic Teachers Association (OECTA), new sanctions include a hardening of the teachers' position regarding extra-curricular activities beyond sports and drama to defer all meetings and conferences—including parent interviews— until after a settlement is reached.

The union will also stage one-day rotating "full withdrawal of services" at the board's five high schools. Pece said parents and students will be notified 48 hours in advance of these taking place.

"I have tried to be as reasonable as I can," said Pece. "But the teachers are very angry and frustrated."

Board chair Jim Sherlock said this action jeopardizes the "critical opportunity" to make up the 30 hours of lost instructional time from when teachers did not teach their fourth assigned class between Sept. 8th and Oct. 9th.

Pece says the protracted dispute has strengthened the teachers' resolve to enforce the new sanctions. Limited, one-day strikes were chosen, he says, to minimize disruption and the toll on students.

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