

Bring a shovel Sunday

Local motion organizers hope ground-breaking sparks fund-raising

This Sunday's ground-breaking could provide the breakthrough needed to reach the local motion fund-raising goal.

The local motion campaign currently sits at \$1.8-million, 90 per cent of the way to its \$2-million goal. While uncertainty over whether the project would proceed immediately did stall the campaign somewhat, capital campaign co-ordinator Marg Fraser said the beginning of construction of the second ice pad at Alcott Arena will once again bring the project to the forefront.

"We've been fund-raising for a long time and sometimes when people don't see anything happening, it's hard to believe that it is going to happen," said Fraser. "I'm sure the ground-breaking will be the catalyst to get us going again."

The 30,000 square foot expansion of the arena will include an additional ice pad, five dressing rooms, a referee's room, a heated viewing area and a board room.

The ground breaking will begin at 3:30 p.m. at the arena. The public is invited to bring a shovel to participate in the ceremony. A free public skate will follow from 4 to 6 p.m. There will also be face-painting, a toonie puck toss and other activities.

"We couldn't have done it without the community's support," Fraser said. "This is a time to celebrate. We hope to see lots of people there with their shovels."

—By Herb Garbutt, staff writer



A Peel Regional Police officer stands by a 2001 Ford Taurus that crashed into a swamp near Heart Lake Road in Brampton early Sunday. Former Georgetown resident Wayne (Greg) Barrett, 32, a passenger in the car, was killed and another passenger suffered minor injuries. Police found the driver of the car 12 hours after the crash walking along the road five kilometres from the scene. John Chester Comeau, 33, of Scarborough was charged with dangerous driving causing death and dangerous driving causing bodily harm.

Photo by Alex Kalnins

Former Georgetown man killed in crash

The driver of a car that ended up on its roof in a north Brampton swamp was found 12 hours after the crash walking along the road five kilometres away from the crash site.

Former Georgetown resident Wayne (Greg) Barrett, 32, of Inglewood, a passenger in the car, was killed in the single-car crash, according to Peel Police. Another passenger, Frank Decicco, 31, of Brampton, suffered non-life threatening injuries and was taken to Brampton Memorial Hospital.

Police said the 2001 Ford Taurus was heading north on Heart Lake Rd. at 2:10 a.m. Sunday when it went off the road just north of Countryside Dr. The car hit a hydro pole and landed on its roof in a swampy area on the east side of the road.

When police arrived the driver was gone, accord-

ing to investigators.

According to Barrett's mother, Beverley, he grew up in Georgetown attending Centennial, George Kennedy and Joseph Gibbons elementary schools and Georgetown District High School.

He operated Greg's Chimney Sweep business for several years.

John Chester Comeau, 33, of Scarborough, was found at approximately 4 p.m. Sunday walking along Heart Lake Rd. north of the crash site. He was arrested and charged with dangerous driving causing death and dangerous driving causing bodily harm.

The crash is still under investigation. Anyone with information is asked to call Peel Police, Major Collision Bureau, at 453-3311, ext. 4887, or Peel Crime Stoppers at 455-TIPS (455-8477).

What You Said

'What is the most important issue to you in this federal election campaign?'



Jim Kennedy, Georgetown, retired educator
"Health care. But a close second is the convenience of calling the election to further the aims of a political party. I think the Liberals were afraid the Alliance was catching up."



Leny Wilson, Brampton, real estate agent
"I'm sick and tired of politicians lying. Another important thing are the attacks from everyone on someone's Christianity."



Jason Myers, Georgetown, auto assembly
"Tax reduction. For families with kids and with the increase in the cost of living, we need a tax break."



Tara Richardson, Georgetown, homemaker
"Health care. Families on welfare or mothers on mother's allowance can't afford drug plans and health plans. With dentistry mothers only get emergency care and kids only get basic care."



Paul Gallant, Acton, trailer mechanic
"Health care. All the cutbacks have really screwed things up."

Teachers, board will bargain again today

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early December for contract talks, which affect between 1,000-1,100 teachers. The next bargaining date is today (Wednesday).

The board's bargaining chair said figures requested by the union on grant amounts, expenditure allocations and staffing numbers were provided at this week's meeting.

"There were discussions on staff allocations and workload provisions and I believe there will be discussions on the monetary side soon," said trustee and bargaining committee Chair Michael Ellis.

He said business services superintendent Wayne McNally was on hand to answer questions.

Halton's public secondary teachers have been advised to make teaching 6.5 classes the priority and decide themselves about participating in after-school activities.

—By Dennis Smith, special

Got your voter's card yet?

Anyone who is eligible to vote in the Monday, Nov. 27 federal election but has yet to receive their voter information card is asked to contact the office of the returning officer: Kenneth Frey, 17 Wilson Ave., Unit 1, Milton or call 876-3165 or fax 876-4587.

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