

Milton Quarry hearing deferred to October 17

fter several area residents complained to the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) about 1 Lithe NEC meeting on the Dufferin Aggregates quarry expansion being held in Owen Sound, the meeting has been deferred until next month in Georgetown.

The meeting was to be held in Owen Sound yesterday (Thursday) but will now be held in Georgetown on

Thursday, October 17.

"Commission Chair Don Scott listened to concerns that the distance to Owen Sound would cause difficulties to local residents wishing to attend the meeting," it was stated in a NEC press release. "The chair consulted with the applicant, Dufferin Aggregates, who also agreed that the matter could be held over until October 17."

NEC spokesperson Richard Murzin called the deferral of the meeting "extraordinary."

"It seems to be the best thing all around," he said.

Sarah Lowe, property and resource manager for Dufferin, said while they expected there would have been a good representation of area residents in Owen Sound, "if this is really better for the public, that's of interest to Dufferin too."

Barbara Halsall, president of Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources (POWER) was unhappy with the Owen Sound meeting location and is pleased it will be in Georgetown.

"It was the right thing to do," she said. "No matter what they said about it, they set it up to deny access."

At press time details on time and location of the meeting had not been set.

Dufferin is proposing to amend the Escarpment Rural Designation on the property where it plans to expand to a Mineral Resource Extraction Area.

In its report to the commission NEC staff are recommending the amendment to the Niagara Escarpment Plan not be approved, but if the commission does approve it a number of conditions should be added.

—By Lisa Tallyn, staff writer

POLICE **BLOTTER**

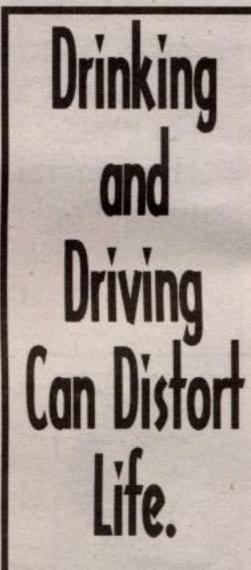
Vandals sought

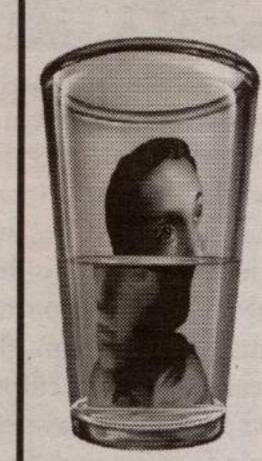
Halton Police are looking for two male youths in connection with vandalism done at Joseph Gibbons School, Tuesday evening. A portable and park equipment were spray painted with grafitti. A symbol and the letters RDS were sprayed on the portable. One of the youths is described as white, 14 to 15 years, 6', with brown hair. He was wearing a blue shirt and hat and was on a skateboard. The other youth, also white and 14 to 15 years old, had on a grey sweater and pants. Anyone with information should call Det. Const. Rob Garland at 905-878-5511 ext. 2421.

Suspicious man

Police have received a report of a suspicious man who was standing near the swings and watching children at Cedarvale Park at 2 p.m. Wednesday. When two men arrived the man left. He is described as 26, white, 5'8", with a slim build and black hair. He was wearing a white t-shirt and black Nike pants with a yellow stripe. Anyone with information should call 905-878-5511 ext. 2418.







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