

# Maple Ave. to get \$1.5 m. road work

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the report and its recommendations fail to discuss it.

According to the staff report, the road's pavement is currently in poor to fair condition, and pedestrians' and cyclists' safety are affected by the lack of sidewalks in some places or inadequate separation from vehicles in others, the study experts say. Speeding is a problem. They add that the road has periods of moderate congestion, but by 2023 the road will be unable to handle the expected volume of traffic.

The report recommends:

- From Trafalgar Rd. to Gardiner Dr.— extend sidewalk to Trafalgar Rd. intersection and provide mountable medians at two locations
- From Gardiner Dr. to Main St.— provide sidewalk on the south side, install mountable islands at three locations, provide treated raised median islands at Main St., relocate curb to existing paint line to create boulevard and modify curb radii at intersections.
- From Main St. to Guelph St.— relocate curb to the existing paint line to create grass boulevard, extend and relocate sidewalk on the south side, delineate the crosswalks at Delrex Blvd. intersection with pavement treatment, provide treated median island to create a break for crossing students from Normandy Blvd. and improve curb radii at the intersection for turning vehicles.
- From Guelph St. to Mountainview Rd.— provide pavement marking with a centre turn lane, improve the turning radii at the intersections and extend the sidewalk from the northwest corner of Maple Ave. and Mountainview Rd.

Fogal said she expected the reviewed report would return for regional council perusal sometime this month or early in November.

The report then goes out for public review for 30 days. Once it clears this phase, Halton Region will begin its detailed design stage, which is also subject to public comment. Once Halton Region completes reconstruction of the road— expected in 2005, ownership will be transferred to the Town of Halton Hills. Total cost of the project is expected to be about \$1.5 million.

By Cynthia Gamble, staff writer

# Overflowing garbage cans irk Guelph St. business owners

Local business man Paul Kuhlberg couldn't have been happier when he saw garbage receptacles installed on Guelph St. in May, but since then he says they haven't been emptied more than three times and the trash is piling up.

However, a spokesperson for Halton Region believes the problem may be solved.

"There shouldn't be any more garbage problems," said David Miles, Halton's supervisor of waste management operations.

Kuhlberg of Up Your Bike, said in the past he's called to complain about the overflowing cans three times since they were installed.

"People are throwing their garbage into a garbage can that won't hold anymore," said Kuhlberg.

"They've done a great gesture, but they've fallen short on not maintaining it," he said. "If they don't have the staff to do it, don't put it out."

Peter LaBranche of Mailboxes Etc. said their staff has also complained about the overflowing cans.

"It was disgusting last week. It was all over the sidewalk, people had to step around it," said LaBranche.

"It's a darn good idea. When it doesn't get picked up it defeats

the whole purpose," he said.

Miles said the containers on Guelph St. are to be emptied twice a week, however, there was a problem with the contractor emptying the ones that were chained and locked to poles. The barrels couldn't be picked up, and the garbage bag liner was slipping inside so it couldn't be easily removed, he said.

He added there were also some other unchained containers that had also not been emptied.

He said the Region has met with the contractor and discussed the possibility of providing them with the key for the locked cans.

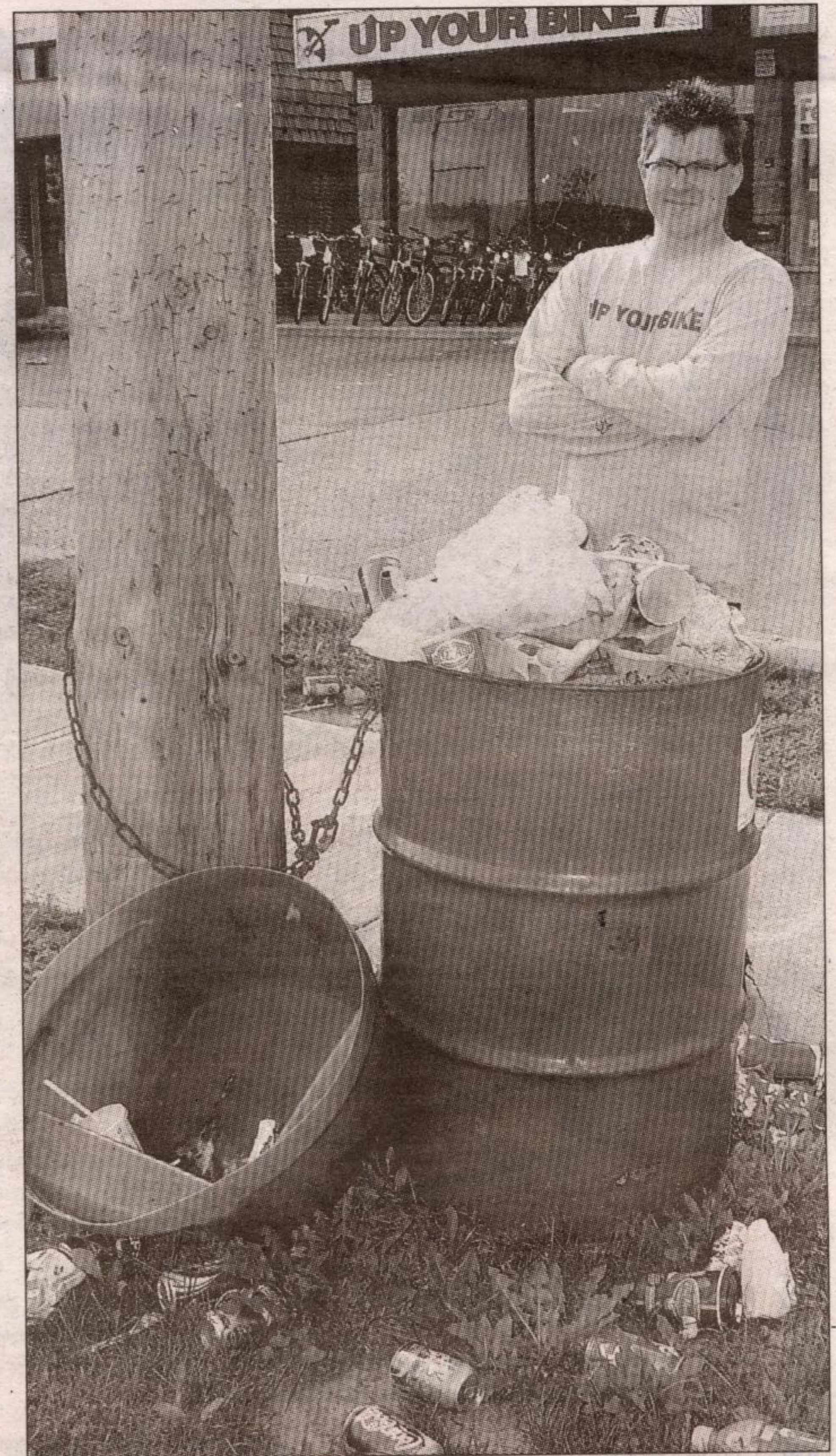
But it was determined that could pose a problem because the key may not always be in the truck as different trucks are used regularly, and the locks could freeze in the winter.

They have decided to secure the bags with a bungee cord device so they don't slip into the container, and can be easily emptied.

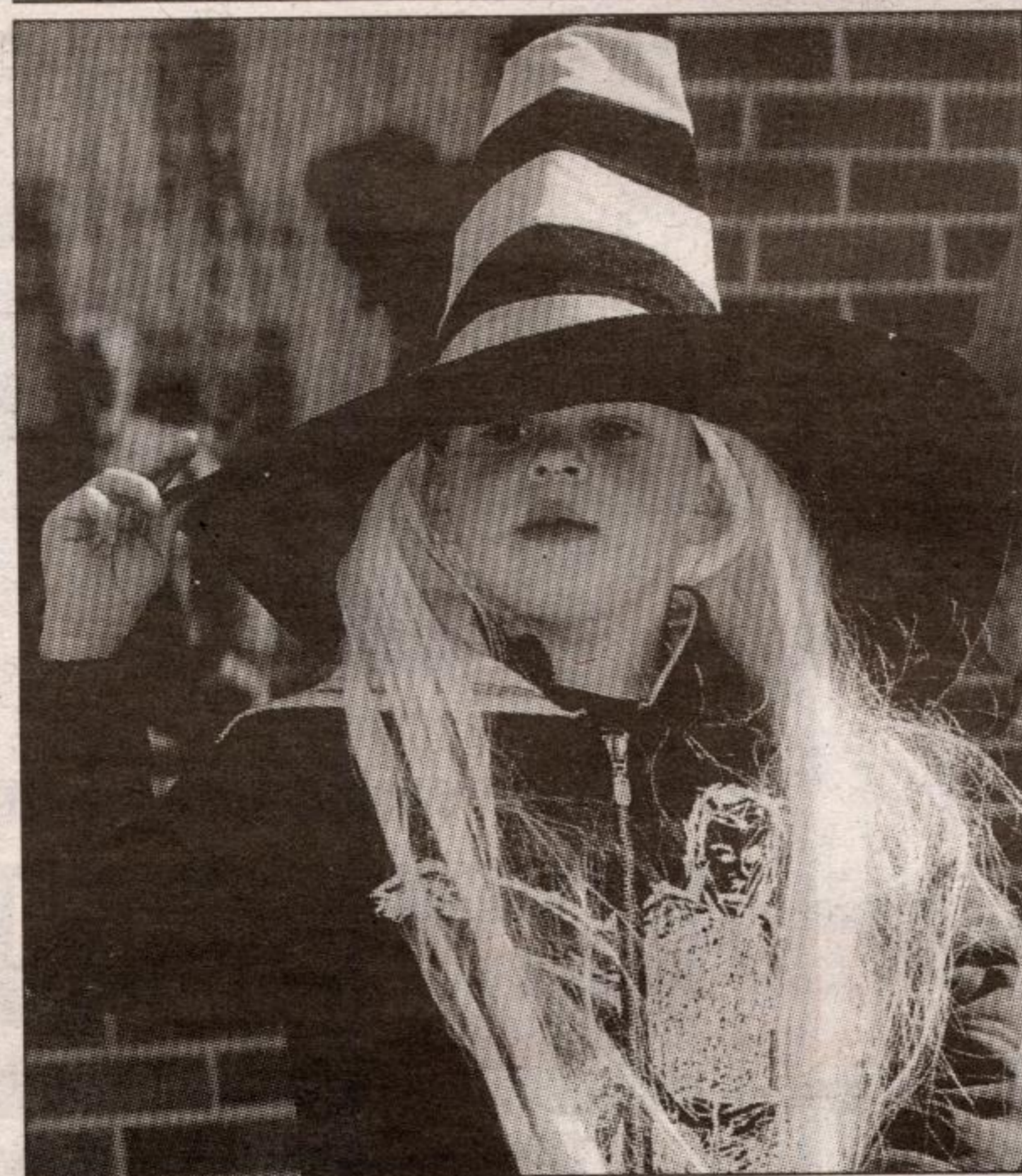
Miles said he added the region has also discussed with the Town the possibility of replacing the locked cans with unlocked ones.

"We're out there on a regular basis monitoring," said Miles. "They are being collected."

By Lisa Tallyn, staff writer



Paul Kuhlberg of Up Your Bike is dismayed by the overflowing garbage cans placed along Guelph St. Photo by Ted Brown

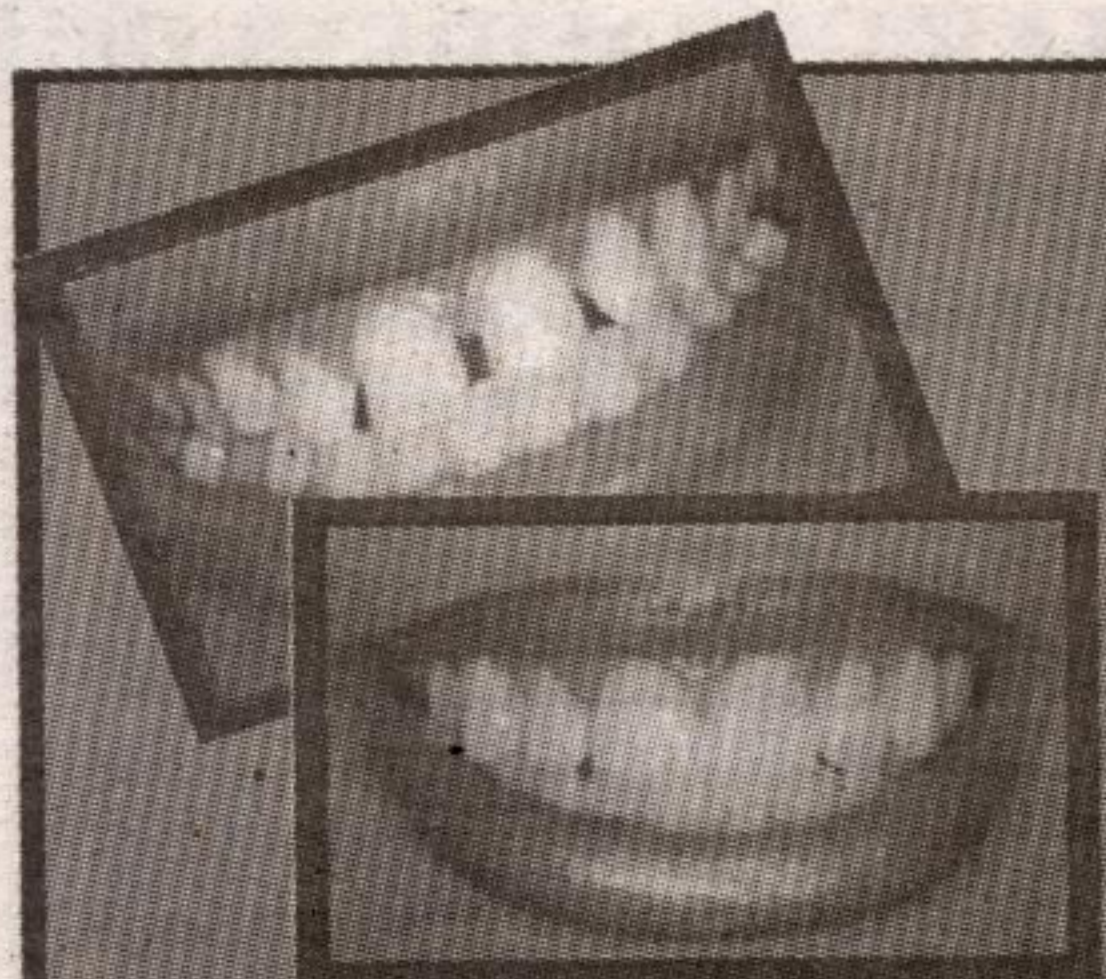


## Harvest Festival sights

Downtown Georgetown celebrated the end of the growing season and the coming of autumn with its annual Harvest Fest. Those who attended found lots to do and much to discover including from left, Parker Drenzo, 5, taking part in the children's entertainment, Laurent Thibault checking out a pumpkin flower pot and Emma Maxwell, 4, behind the pumpkin mask, who was also taking part in


the children's entertainment. The next event for Downtown Georgetown is Trick or Treat on October 30, 11 a.m to 1 p.m. Ghouls and goblins— under 10 years of age— are invited to haunt Main Street and the stores all provide the treats. All children are registered and the B.I.A. provides prizes to the winners in its costume competition.

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