

Police blotter

Man beaten in bar parking lot

Halton Police are looking for two men after a Markham man was assaulted in the Nashville North parking lot early Sunday.

Witnesses told police they saw a man on the ground beside a van.

When the man attempted to get up another man struck him in the head with a van door. He was also kicked in the chest by another man. The two men left in a van.

Security officers arrived and called paramedics.

Police report the man was transported to Georgetown Hospital where he was treated for head injuries and a broken ankle.

One of the suspects is described as white, 21, 5'8" to 5'10", with a shaved head, slight growth of beard, 175 to 185 lbs, and was wearing a light blue track suit.

The other man is described as white, 25, with a shaved head, hoop earring in his left ear, and a white t-shirt with red lettering. They were in a dark coloured Dodge Caravan.

Anyone with information is asked to call Det. Mike Brown at 905-878-5511 ext 2417.

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A 1997 GMC red Jimmy was stolen from the driveway at a Trafalgar Rd. residence early Sunday morning. The key was left in the console of the truck valued at \$1,500.

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An 18-year-old Acton man is facing charges after an incident at a Church St. home early Sunday.

Police were called to the home because a group of people were fighting on the front lawn.

Police report one of the men involved in the fight was intoxicated and began shouting obscenities at police. The man also was kicking and spitting in the police cruiser resulting in \$50 damage to the car door.

Charged with cause a disturbance and mischief under \$5,000 is Scott Williams of Rosemary Dr.

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Police report a gumball machine, valued at \$550, was taken from Shoeless Joe's sometime early Friday. The machine was located at the rear door.



Georgetown scouts Eric Brown, 5, and his brother Ryan, 9, check out a van full of donations delivered to Georgetown Alliance Church Saturday during the annual Scout/Guide Food Drive. The drive netted more than 35,000 lbs. of food for Georgetown Bread Basket. Photo by Yves Dejardins

Scout/Guide Food Drive nets 35,000 lbs. for food bank

The 14th Annual Scout-Guide Food Drive Saturday netted more than 35,000 pounds of food for Georgetown Bread Basket.

Marian Viant, media co-ordinator with the food bank, said at last count 35,581 pounds of food has come in, and when all the food is collected by area residents that may have been dropped at grocery stores she expects the total to be in the 38,000 lbs. range.

Viant said she wanted to thank all the guides, scouts, their leaders, Lorne Scots cadets, church youth groups and all of the volunteers who helped out the day of the food drive.

"People were really generous," said Darlene Moss, the Scout/Guide Food Drive co-ordinator. "I'm really happy we got 35,000 lbs. We had a sinking feel-

ing we might not accomplish that."

Moss said, however, even more food is needed as in the past the drive brought in two-thirds of the amount of food handed out by the food bank each year.

She said last year the food bank gave out 80,000 lbs. of food and the food drive total didn't even bring in half of that.

Moss said another food drive is needed in the spring.

"We would like to see the high school do one and we will help," said Moss.

"I'd be more than willing to lend a hand," she said.

She said any high school students interested in holding a food drive in the spring are welcome to call her for guidance at 519-833-9882.

—By Lisa Tallyn, staff writer



Greetings, earthling

Canadian astronaut Dr. David Williams signs an autograph for a Georgetown District High School student Friday. Williams was at the school to discuss the scientific principles that go into making space suits and tell of his experiences during his space shuttle flight aboard Columbia. Williams is currently training for his second space flight, an 11-day mission to the International Space Station during which he will perform three spacewalks.

Photo by Herb Garbutt

Seniors' Centre lease renewed for four years

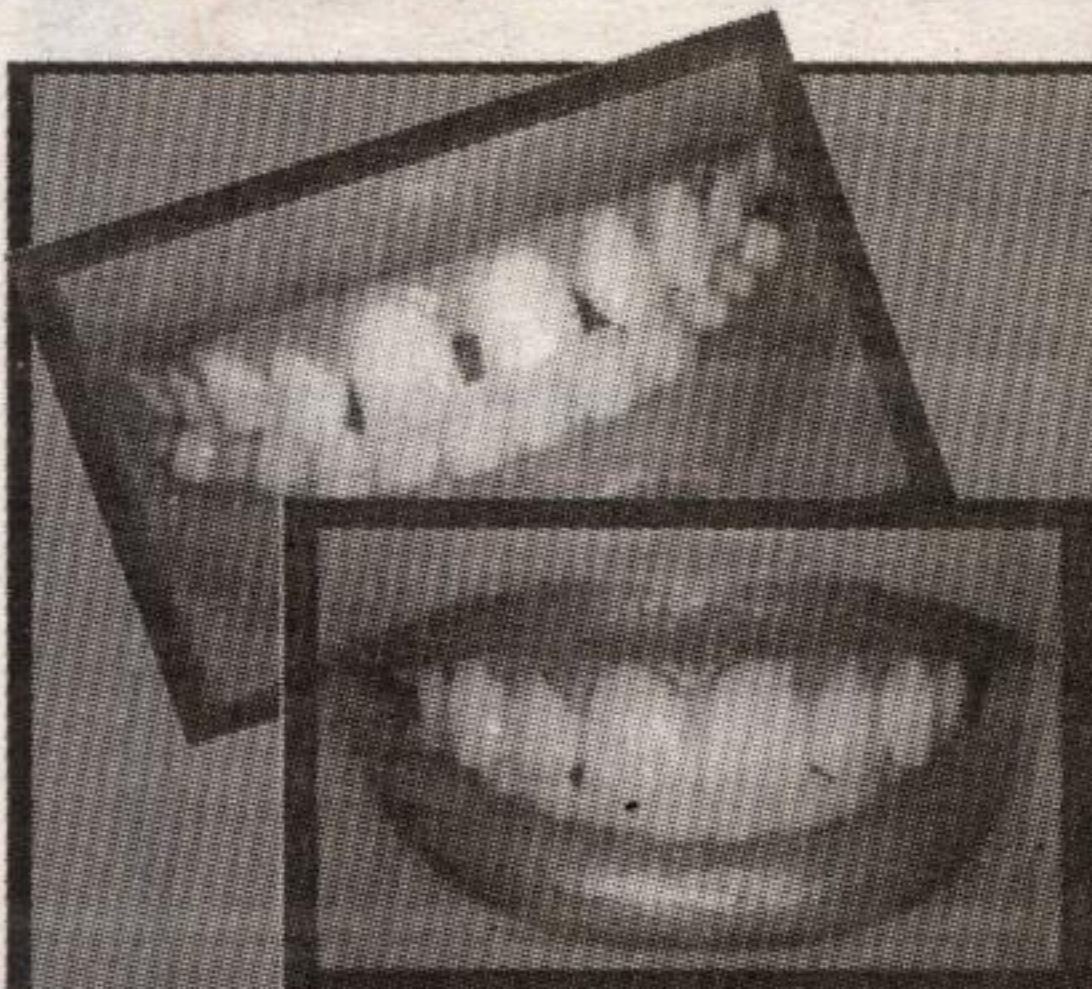
The Town of Halton Hills renewed its lease for the current Georgetown Seniors Centre until September 30, 2009. Council approved the lease agreement Monday night.

Council also requested that staff work with the Centre to explore other facility opportunities to address its growing membership. Recently the Centre's president requested the Town consider the A&P store at the corner of Guelph St. and Sinclair Ave. for a potential new site for the Centre when the grocery store moves to Georgetown South in a few years. He proposed a shared

facility that would include a new Georgetown library branch, youth centre and seniors' centre.


The Georgetown Seniors' Centre has been at its present location, 318 Guelph St., for 10 years, growing from 4,000 sq. ft. to 7,300 sq. ft. In the same period membership has risen from 450 to 1,000.

The new lease agreement would have a six per cent or \$6,700 impact on the 2005 budget. The Centre's membership pays for 33 per cent of the total cost of the lease plus the town also receives an annual provincial grant (\$32,000 for the 2004-2005 year).



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