

Police seize grow op house

A man convicted of running a marijuana grow op has had his Georgetown home seized by Halton Police under the province's proceeds of crime legislation.

Police seized a home on Duncan Dr. belonging to Tuyen Ngo, formerly of Brampton. This was Halton's first seizure of a residential drug lab.

Ngo, who was charged in June 2006 after police found \$470,000 worth of marijuana plants and hydroponics equipment in the home at 42 Duncan Dr., pleaded guilty to unlawfully producing a controlled substance and possession of a

controlled substance in court Feb. 19.

The courts placed a restraint on the Duncan Dr. property on Feb. 6, 2007 and during Ngo's recent court appearance, the Court ordered forfeiture of the residence to the Receiver General of Canada.

"Asset forfeiture is a valuable tool that police can use to help ensure public safety and sends a strong message to criminals that we will not tolerate grow operations in our communities," said Inspector Chris Perkins, head of the Halton Police Criminal Investigations Division.

Police blotter

Thief caught on store tape

Halton Police are asking for assistance from the public in identifying a suspect in a photo (pictured right) believed to have entered and stolen cash and credit cards from several vehicles in Georgetown South on Feb. 9.

After the break-ins the suspect then went into the Petro Canada gas station at Mountainview Rd. and Guelph St. where he used one of the stolen credit cards to buy a carton of cigarettes.

Police obtained security footage from the gas station, and released photos to the media.

They ask anyone who can identify the man seen in the photos to call Halton Criminal Investigation Bureau at 905-878-5511 ext. 2116 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

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A window was smashed at Golden Fish and Chips on Main St., Georgetown last Sunday (Feb. 17) evening. Police report a passerby saw six



youths, three males and three females, smash the window. Police responded but the youths had fled. Damage is estimated at about \$750.

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A Husky tool bag containing several tools was stolen sometime late Sunday or early Monday from a 2007 GMC Colorado parked at a residence on 22 Sideroad. A window was smashed to gain entry. The damage and value of stolen items is \$2,000.

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Jewelry, a PlayStation 2, DVDs, CDs and a pellet gun, all valued at about \$1,800, were stolen from a Kingham Rd., Acton home during a break and enter Tuesday between 8 a.m. and noon. Entry was gained through an unlocked door.

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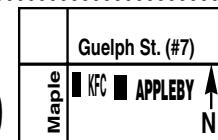
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