

Flooding keeps works crews busy

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and part of the Sixth Line was undermined and the asphalt had to be removed, said Spear.

Steeles Ave. was also closed in that area due to flooding.

Spear said Five Sideroad, in the area of the creek between Eighth and Ninth Line, also had to be closed late Tuesday through Wednesday afternoon because of flooding. Works crews also had to replace the base of the road in that area as well.

Spear said flooding on Five Sideroad near Fourth Line resulted in a minor accident Tuesday afternoon when a driver lost control while going through water there, ending up in the ditch.

Also on Tuesday afternoon, in the Milton area, one man had to jump out of his car after the water carried it away. The man wasn't injured but his car ended up in the ditch and had to be towed out.

Ditches overflowed across the road and

snow had to be cleared from them on Ninth Line north of Glen Williams.

Spear said in his 27 years with the Town he could not recall flooding as severe as it was earlier this week.

"It all came at once, after noon on Tuesday," said Spear.

He said thankfully the temperature plummeted rapidly Tuesday evening putting an end to the rapid melt.

Halton Police report in the Milton area a 1.2 metre sinkhole on Sixth Line near Britannia Rd. posed a hazard to drivers.

All the roads were reopened after they were cleared, repaired and inspected according to police.

On Tuesday, Conservation Halton (CH) issued a high water safety bulletin, stating all watercourses in the watershed should be considered dangerous.

CH advises everyone to use extreme caution around bodies of water and to stay well back of stream banks.

St. Francis earns Excellence in Education award

A Georgetown school was recognized as being among the top one per cent of elementary schools at the recent annual Garfield Weston Awards for Excellence in Education dinner in Toronto.

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Elementary School received School of Distinction recognition in the Improvement in Academics category.

"The teachers and administrators of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Elementary School are pathfinders and have shown us what is possible. We are delighted to honour their hard work and achievement," said Peter Cowley, director of school performance studies at The Fraser Institute, an independent research organization.

The Weston Awards are based on an analysis of the historical data of each school included in the Fraser Institute's annual Report Card on Ontario's Elementary Schools.

Out of 2,786 English and French, public and separate elementary schools from across Ontario, only the top one per cent (30 schools) in each category are invited to participate in the awards.

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