



Weekend Forecast

Same old thing. - Better by Sat/Sun

Bizarre behaviour brings Police to Church St.

By Frances Niblock

A 41-year-old Acton man armed with a large butcher knife and several steak knives held Halton police at bay for two-and-a-half hours on Friday before being disarmed and arrested without injury.

When police went to a Churchill Road South apartment at 3:58 p.m. to answer a tenant's call about a man exhibiting "bizarre

behaviour," the man threatened them with several knives.

The uniform officers backed off, set up a perimeter and called in the tactical rescue unit to negotiate with the man who threatened several officers with the butcher knife and threw several steak knives off his balcony, narrowly missing officers on the ground.

The standoff continued until the armed

man left his apartment and was subdued and disarmed by police in the hallway. He was arrested and charged with possession of a weapon dangerous to the public peace, five counts of assault with a weapon and three counts of breach of probation. Police did not know why he was on probation or what his initial bizarre behaviour entailed.

The accused remains in custody awaiting a bail hearing on Monday in Milton.

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It's time for Acton residents to make decisions related to the new Hydro One line. See Page 2



Mike says "Be careful what you ask for." See Page 7



Angela says "People aren't always what they seem." See Page 6



FACES OF ACTON: Nicole Bija's smile reflects the joy she feels as she gets her face painted up by Caitlin Rivers at the Leathertown Festival Sunday past. Thousands toured Mill St. vendors and shops in the annual event, thankful that the rain held off for most of the day. - Tracey Gardner photo.

Helps with patient load

By Frances Niblock

"Calm, with a good sense of humour" is the book on Dr. Ahmend Alkadhimi who will begin seeing patients at the Acton Medical Clinic next week, taking over the "huge" caseload of the recently retired Dr. Vanderbent.

Staff at the Ferryland, Newfoundland clinic where Dr. Alkadhimi practiced family medicine for three years said they are sad to see the easy going, friendly physician leave, but the two over-worked physicians at the Acton Medical Clinic who have been "holding down the fort" in Dr. Vanderbent's absence are "very pleased," according to Halton's physician recruitment co-ordinator, Angela Sugden-Praysner.

"Dr. Alkadhimi had looked at other locations in Ontario, but he was given a warm welcome by both physicians when he toured Acton in June, and he wanted to take over a large patient load, as opposed to coming to a community

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