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- 1) Churchill S, Orville, Wynford, Longfield (part)
- 2) Mill St. W. (Victoria to Town Limit), Cameron, Wright, Gould.
- 3) Young, Wallace, Division/Clare, Acton Blvd (south of McDonald), Mill St. East (part)



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519-853-1779 (evenings & weekends)



Wellington O.P.P. Report

Purse snatched

A 42-year-old Guelph-Eramosa Twp. woman has been charged with theft under \$5,000 following theft of a purse from an unlocked vehicle just after lunch on Saturday, March 21.

Wellington OPP officers spoke to the victim who reported having a dispute with another woman at her home, who, police said, had demanded cash for an old debt from the victim. When she did not pay, the suspect went outside. The complainant also went outside and noticed her purse was missing from her unlocked car.

Later, police said, the purse was found at Zellers in Fergus with \$300 in cash and a recent prescription missing. The suspect is to appear in Guelph court on April 27 to answer to the charge of theft.

Police again remind the public about locking their vehicles when unattended, even at home, and making sure nothing valuable is visible inside to tempt thieves.

Speeder of the Week

Wellington OPP officers were monitoring traffic on Wellington Road 39, north of Guelph, on Sunday morning, March 22 when Constable Steven Hunter of the Traffic Management Unit, spotted a southbound 1995 Chevy Lumina travelling well above the posted speed limit. The auto was clocked at 102 km/h in the 50 km/h zone.

A 54-year-old woman from RR#4 Kenilworth has

been charged with Race a Motor Vehicle under the Highway Traffic Act. The woman is scheduled to appear in Guelph court on April 15 to answer to the charge.

Council, farmers support new mill....

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the proposed roadway along the Hydro corridor and how it would affect the Trans Canada Trail Network planned in the same location. Another concern is how to minimize the effects of noise and dust on the Ignatius Jesuit Centre next door. About 25 trucks would travel the access road daily.

LVB Milling owner, Andreas Boersch, says he chose the 13.2-acre property due to its proximity to an existing rail line that can accommodate at least 25 cars (Guelph Junction Railway), and the concentration of agri-food businesses and wheat producers in the area. The flour mill would process 600 metric tonnes of wheat per day (180,000 mt per year), providing a new local market for area wheat farmers.

LVB plans to purchase at least 30% of its wheat from within Ontario, representing about 35,000 acres of production, mainly in the Wellington County area.

Boersch says benefits to the Township and County include 25 to 30 new direct

jobs, plus "spin-off" jobs in construction, trucking, etc., and a clean, sustainable industry that would contribute to the tax base. He adds that it is a sustainable industry, which is not dependent on economic cycles; "There is always a demand for flour and the mill could attract new bakeries or other flour related companies to the area."

He says the mill would be a benefit to area farmers because it would buy at least 54,000mt of local wheat per year, which would currently go for \$14 million, with the added benefit of reduced trucking and elevation costs. A by-product of flour milling is used to make livestock feed, which would provide a local source for farmers, at a rate of 150mt per day.

Nobody in the full gallery spoke against the proposal and several spoke in its favour. "The Wellington Federation of Agriculture is in full support of the LVB Flour Mill," says WFA president David Parker, "The \$18.5 million investment will have a direct and immediate positive impact for Wellington Agriculture, and

the local economy. There is a definite need for a flour mill in this specific location, as it uses already existing infrastructure and will provide easy access to highways 7 and 6 to bring the wheat in, and will use a minimal amount of prime agricultural land. The prospect of better and closer markets is always good for any business."

Henry Van Ankun, a farmer and VP of the Wheat Producers Board, offered his full support, saying it is a great opportunity for the Township and County. "Flour is a main staple in the North American diet and there is a long history of milling in this area," he says, "It is an environmentally friendly industry with zero waste, zero odours, and excellent emissions control."

The president of Ontario Agri-food Technologies says the time frame is critical, as the mill would be an excellent agri-business and very important to agriculture. He says it could draw more baking industry to the area; "Build, and more will come."

Concerns were raised by the adjacent neighbours, the Ignatius Jesuit Centre, which has been located there since 1913. Father James Profit says they do not object to the proposed mill, but are concerned about noise and that it will open the door for more development in the area. The Centre serves as a spiritual retreat, and as such, silence and solitude are essential.

He says the portion of the property that abuts LVB's property is currently the quietest area and has a small building, which serves as a retreat centre for the Catholic School Board and ecology programming. "It is important that the spirit of solitude is maintained." This solitude has been intruded upon by development over the years, most recently by Wal-Mart, which was followed by even more commercial development.

"We were told by the Ontario Municipal Board that permission would be granted for only one store, but in no time more stores became a reality," he says, "This development is different, as it's not commercial and there is no intention to build more buildings, but urban sprawl begins with a small part and then gobbles it up." Despite his concerns, he says the mill would be good for the Township.

A decision on whether to pass the amendments was deferred. To continue with the application, council agreed that LVB Milling must submit an Agricultural Justification Report regarding the removal of prime agricultural areas, an updated report showing how a road and trail along the corridor can be safely accommodated, updated storm water management reports with wetland buffer zones, and show compliance with MOE guidelines for noise and dust in relation to the Jesuit Centre.

EWCS NEWS

Be an "Auto Angel" Donate your vehicle and receive a tax receipt. Call Brenda at 519-833-9696.

Seniors Programs:

For more information on all EWCS Seniors programs and services, contact Sherri Plourde at 519-833-0087.

Seniors Wellness Expo presented by EWCS in partnership with the Victorian Order of Nurses - Tues, Mar. 31 at Centre 2000, Shamrock room (upstairs, wheelchair accessible elevator available) Lunch will be provided, reservations only.

Day trip to Casa Loma - Tues. April 21. \$35 per person. (buy your own lunch).

Free computer help for seniors in Erin/Hillsburgh offered by The Snerds (Senior Nerds).

Free hearing clinic - Tues. Mar 31 at Centre 2000 EWCS Seniors room by appointment only.

Scrabble anyone? Come play with other seniors starting on Tues. Mar. 3 from 1pm-4pm in EWCS Seniors room, Centre 2000.

Volunteers Needed:

For all information on volunteering, call Kelly Stockdale at 519-833-9696, ext 222

Volunteer with truck urgently needed to help with various tasks.

Drivers needed in Rockwood - to drive residents to medical appointments. Mile-

age paid.

Volunteer bus assistant needed - To help Seniors attending the day program.

Free Children's Programs:

Free children's programs - a satellite of the Ontario Early Years program, we offer lots of stimulating programs for newborns to pre-schoolers and their parents including Panda's Place, Toddler Power Hour, My Baby & Me, Tot Time, Time Together, Kids Korner and more. Call Marlene MacNevin

at 519-833-9696, ext 223, or visit www.eastwellingtoncommunityservices.com

Shoe boxes wanted - for children's crafts. Please leave at 45 Main Street.

Rockwood only - Calling all parents and their babies, birth - 12 months, March 31, 1pm - 3pm. Join us downstairs at Rockmosa Community Centre where we will be making books for our babies, while enjoying non-alcoholic 'mocktails.'

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DRAFT NOISE BY-LAW PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting is being held by the Community Affairs Committee to review and seek input to a proposed new NOISE BY-LAW on:

Monday, March 30, 2009
Council Chambers, Halton Hills Civic Centre
1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, ON

3:00 p.m. Public Meeting

Copies of the proposed new NOISE BY-LAW will be available for public review on March 18, 2009 and posted on the Town's website at www.haltonhills.ca and a copy may be obtained by contacting the Clerk's Division of the Corporate Services Department.

You are invited to ask questions or "have your say" regarding the proposed new Noise By-law at the Public Meeting, or in writing to the **Town Clerk, Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Halton Hills, Ontario, L7G 5G2, or email valeriep@haltonhills.ca, call 905-873-2601 ext. 2350.**

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