

# Man faces 3 year term for robbery

By LINDA KIRBY Staff Writer A 20-year-old Milton youth has been sentenced to a three year prison term after admitting his part in a variety store robbery six weeks ago.

Glenn Koks, of 82 Millside Dr., initially pleaded not guilty to a charge of armed robbery in connection with the Aug. 20 robbery of a 21-year-old store clerk at the 7-Eleven store at 443 Main St.

But he later changed his mind and entered a guilty plea following a preliminary hearing at Provincial Court Thursday morning. During the course of the hearing, the court was told store clerk James Brownridge was the victim of repeated visits by the two men during the early morning hours and he was too frightened to lock the store and call police.

At one point he was punched in the side of the face and in the mouth by Mr. Koks. He also received minor injuries after Mr. Koks

grazed him with a metal can opener, and the same accused dropped a lighted cigarette down his shirt front.

Mr. Brownridge testified he was threatened with worse harm if he called police.

Along with the can opener, a Bic lighter and several packages of cigarettes were stolen from the store during the incident. A knife was also held to Mr. Brownridge's throat at one point.

Halton Regional Police were made aware of the situation when two officers stopped into the all night variety store for coffee and met a shaking Mr. Brownridge.

The stolen property was recovered and a short time later Mr. Koks and 22 year old Richard McCoy were arrested and charged.

Mr. McCoy of 6776 Hwy. 25 has elected trial by a county court judge. A date for that trial will be set next month.



Mayor Gord Krantz presents Gerda Oswald with this chain of office, making her a goodwill ambassador for the town. The occasion was Oktoberfest, held at the Bayrischer Hof restaurant last week. The Oswald's donated 20 per cent of the proceeds to the Milton District Hospital expansion drive.

# Peace camp fights NEC

International Peace Camp (IPC) representatives have pleaded not guilty to charges of altering the property they rent near Speyside without a development permit from the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC).

NEC planner Keith Anderson said IPC appeared in Milton provincial court recently and will go to trial on the charge next month.

The charge stems from the building of a new road on the former Twin Lakes property IPC is leasing and planning to develop into an ethnic-cultural recreation centre.

IPC volunteers rebuilt part of an existing road across the property, as well as a new road, this past summer. They also built a new access onto the Town Line allegedly without a permit, and the access was later ordered closed-up by Milton.

IPC complied with the request. In a related development Councillor Dave

Whiting (Halton Hills) told a meeting in Acton recently IPC had ignored municipal requests to remove gates and barriers at either end of the unopened St. Helena Rd. road allowance across the property.

IPC believes the road belongs to them while the town has a legal opinion stating it is an unopened municipal road allowance and shouldn't be blocked off.

St. Helena Rd. is an open road allowance for just a short distance west of Hwy. 25. It then turns into an unopened road allowance, the town claims, and it stretched right across the IPC property.

Mr. Whiting said lawyers are being consulted to make sure everything is in order and then the town works department will be going in and removing the barriers, as previously directed by council.

The IPC property is on the Milton / Halton Hills boundary.

# Drug charges laid

Halton Regional Police made three drug arrests in Milton over the weekend.

A 17-year-old youth was arrested and charged Friday afternoon at the Milton Sports Centre during a routine police check of the area.

Steven John Clements of 4231 Derry Rd. W., is charged with possession of narcotics. Further charges are pending analysis of other substances in his vehicle. Late Saturday night Const.

Danny Farr checked a vehicle at the Canadian Tire parking lot on Market Dr. and found a vial hidden under a hamburger on the console.

Police have charged Gregory Bontar 19, of 1214 Bough Beaches of Mississauga, and Craig Joseph Cashin 23, of 3135 Jessica Court, Mississauga, with possession of a narcotic.

All three will appear in Provincial Court Nov. 14.



Milton's first Neighbourhood Watch sign went up last Thursday on Laurier Dr. just east of Ontario St. Putting up the sign in a joint effort were: Constable Dave Crawford, crime prevention officer; Mayor Gord Krantz; Ben Jongsma, Ministry of Correctional Services; Lori Champman; Robin Barbetta, one of the neighborhood captains; Sgt. Richard Kivell, police crime prevention co-ordinator; and Rob McKenzie, executive director of Community Resource Services.

# Benefit planned for local youth

Clubs and agencies in Milton are rallying to the cause of a 12-year-old youth who left Monday afternoon for an expensive series of leukemia treatments in the United States.

According to John Stewart, president of the Milton Unit of the Cancer Society, the youth and his mother left for Baltimore, Maryland, Monday at 5 p.m., two hours after hearing from McMaster University Medical Centre that the American treatments offered some hope for the youth.

Members of the Dutch Canadian Country Club have also picked up the cause and are

holding a benefit dance and auction Saturday night at the Legion Hall, starting at 8 p.m.

Admission to that event is free, but a collection will be made at the door.

Mr. Stewart said the Ontario Division of the Cancer Society has agreed to cover the travel and living expenses for the boy's mother while in the United States, but money is still needed for incidental expenses and after-treatment costs.

Further details of the drive will be announced as they become available.

# Penman fears pollution

Milton staff will be taking a close look at the region's recent sludge spreading on farmland in the area of Derry and Tremaine Roads.

The issue was brought up Monday evening at town council by Councillor Brian Penman, also a resident of the area, who expressed fear the wastes may be polluting nearby waterways.

Mr. Penman, a long time resident of the neighborhood, said the region obviously had

no idea of the amount of flooding that occurs in that area in the spring time and added he has already received concerned calls from farmers.

He said he was also surprised the region would be spraying so much in that area particularly since Milton District Hospital is less than one concession from the site.

According to Mr. Penman, there are now puddles of sludge in the field and any rain will carry it to area waterways.

# Thieves hit Harrop House

Halton Regional Police are investigating a break-in at a local restaurant that netted thieves \$150 worth of cigarettes and \$20 cash.

Police said the incident occurred early Tuesday morning (Sept. 13) at The Harrop Restaurant at 245 Steeles Ave.

A basement window was forced open by the thieves for the fifth entry at The Harrop

in three years.

Police believe the same persons were responsible for breaking into "The Country Store" a gift shop located next door to the restaurant.

A total of \$15 worth of change was stolen from the shop and police report \$175 damage to the building.

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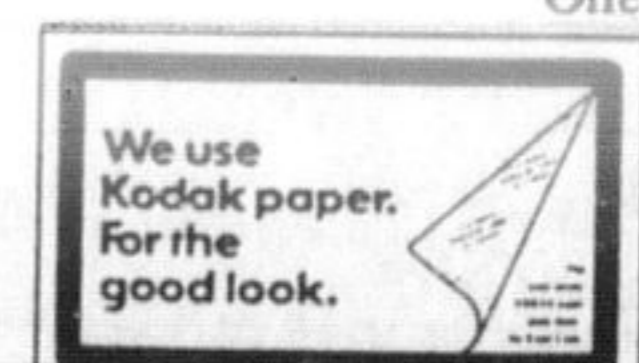


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