

Student visits

## An ounce of prevention is offered by the police

Operators of local 24-hour businesses can expect a young visitor representing the Halton Regional Police Service to walk through their doors next week.

As part of a new program to help reduce the risk of robbery, police have assigned a co-operative education student from Sheridan College's law enforcement program to survey area businesses.

Constable Rick Earle said the student — who will carry proper identification

and present an introductory letter — will visit gas bars, convenience stores and other 24-hour businesses starting next week to talk with operators and note practices that could influence potential victimization by robbers.

The information will be looked at by police, who will in turn consult with store operators to discuss any changes they can make to their businesses to reduce the risk of hold-ups, Constable Earle said.

# House ransacked, property stolen worth about \$20,000

Thieves made off with \$20,000 worth of property after forcing open the front door of a No. 30 Sideroad residence.

The culprits ransacked the house sometime between noon February 6 and 5:50 p.m. Sunday, said Det. Sgt. Jackie Gordon of Halton Regional Police.

Stolen were coins, jewelry, electronic equipment and liquor.

### Laptop stolen

A young house party guest is suspected of stealing a laptop computer from a Woodward Avenue home last Friday night.

The gray Toshiba computer worth \$6,500 went missing during the party hosted by youths between 8:30 and 11:30 p.m.

## Police Blotter

Police are investigating.

### Impaired charges

Police laid drunk driving charges after stopping a vehicle that had no headlights on last Friday shortly before 11 a.m.

The car was pulled over on Bronte Street, north of Victoria Street.

A 56-year-old Acton man faces charges of impaired driving and driving with over the legal limit of alcohol in his blood.

He will appear in court March 29.

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# Mint Monte Carlo is stolen

The theft of a rather unique car from a Milton parking garage has investigators hoping someone can identify the suspects and help recover the vehicle.

At 6:40 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 26, three people were seen near a car parked in the garage at the apartment complex at 81 Millside Dr.

Two of the suspects left the garage in one vehicle, and the third drove away in the stolen car.

The vehicle stolen was a black 1988 Chevrolet Monte Carlo bearing licence plate 012 2LK. It was in excellent condition. The car had been parked in the garage for the winter and covered with a tarp.

What made this car unique was that it was fitted with hand controls for acceleration and braking and the back seat had been removed to make room for the driver's wheelchair.

Police would like to speak to the occupants of the black pick-up truck (with a black cap) that pulled out of the lot just ahead of the stolen car.

Both occupants were described as male, white, and about 20 years of age. The driver had short, dark hair and wore a beige baseball cap. The passenger had

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long, dark hair.

No description is available for the driver of the stolen car.

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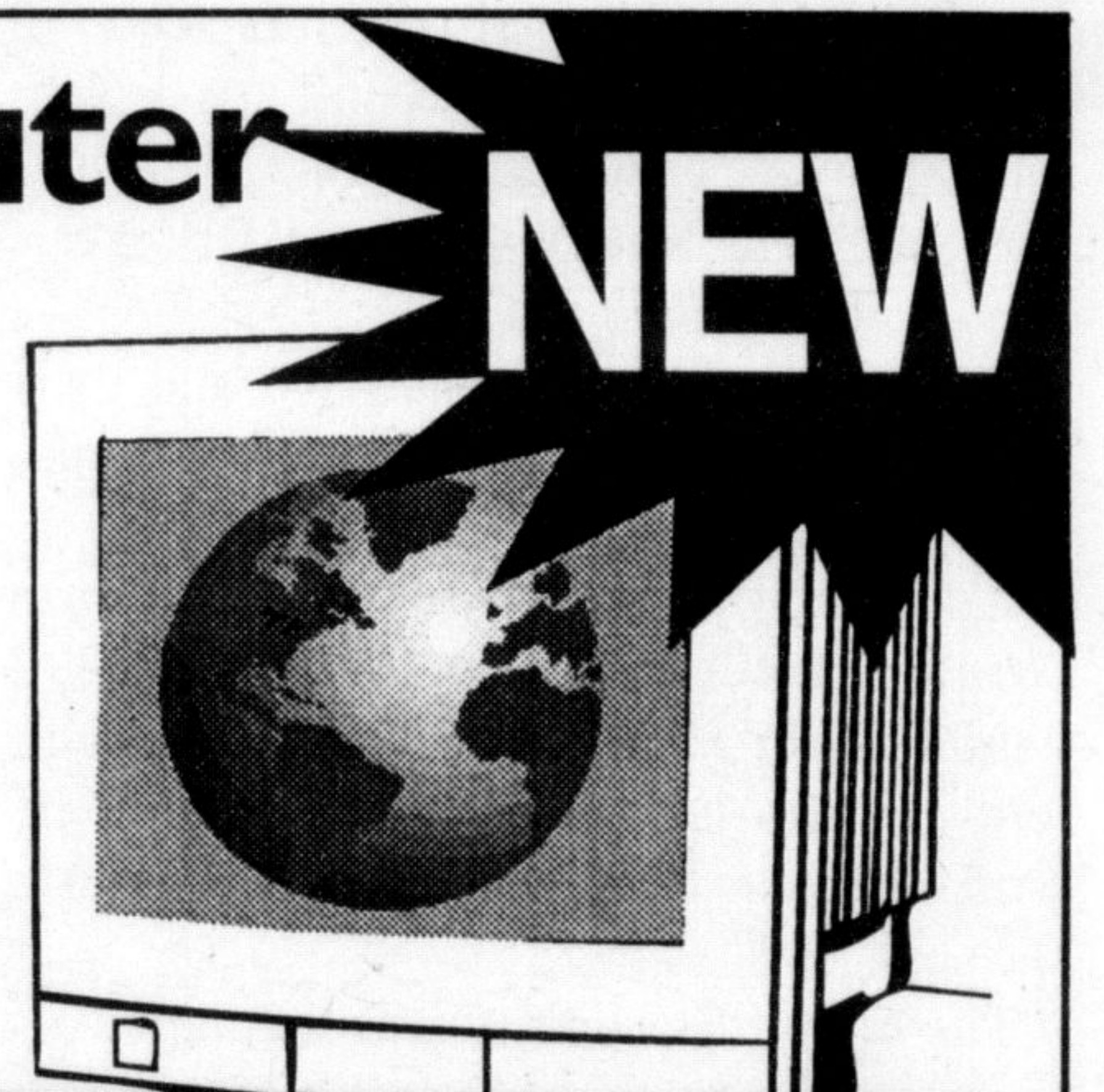
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