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## Please come forward if you know anything

It was disturbing to learn that the victim of what appears to be a foolish prank may lose the sight in one eye and probably his job.

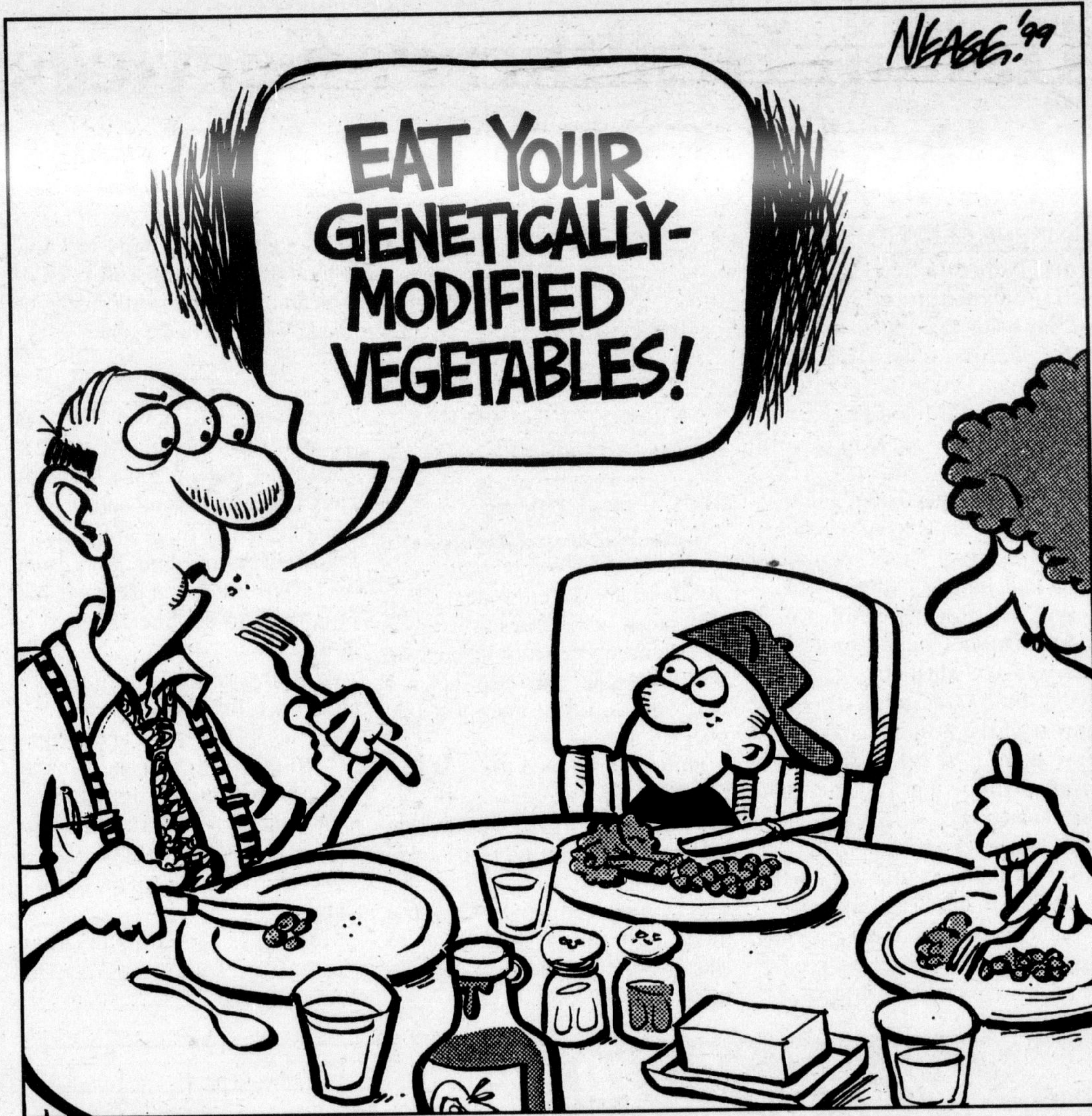
As reported elsewhere in this newspaper, William Barnsdale, 25, of Guelph was driving on Hwy. 401 near the Tremaine Road overpass October 20 when a hard object such as a piece of rock or concrete struck his pick-up truck.

The windshield shattered, showering him with sharp slivers of glass. Some of the pieces flew into his face and may have damaged one of his eyes permanently.

Adding to the devastation of the serious injury is that police believe someone intentionally threw the object at his truck from overhead. It appears that the incident was totally senseless, avoidable and could have caused an even worse result.

Please, anyone who witnessed this crime or knows who committed it, contact police or Crime Stoppers.

Better yet, if you are the one responsible, do the right thing now and own up. You may not have intended to hurt anyone. A step in the right direction in this unfortunate situation is to face your wrong-doing.



## OUR READERS WRITE

### Parkinson's treatment

#### New procedure is misunderstood

Dear Editor:

Two recent letters to the editor sounded as if living rather than dead fetuses were used in a new treatment for Parkinson's disease.

I have checked and this is not the case.

Only aborted or dead fetuses are used.

My brother suffered from Parkinson's disease for many years and I wish

he could have been helped.

I would like to see as many people as possible helped.

The remains of dead fetuses or human corpses should be used to benefit the living.

For several years I, like many others, have carried a signed organ donor card in my wallet because I would like to see parts of

my body used to benefit others in the event of my death.

I believe that it's a Christian goal to serve mankind and it's a Christian's duty to alleviate suffering wherever possible.

To do otherwise is wicked and selfish.

**Majorie Hadley Powys**  
Milton

#### 'No parking' signs for people's own good

Dear Editor:

As a life-long resident of rural Campbellville (on Guelph Line at Steeles Avenue), I feel compelled to respond to a letter from Jack Murphy, which was published in your paper on October 26.

I know how privileged I am to have grown up in an area so beautiful, with some of the loveliest scenery in the country literally in my own backyard. I may be able to clarify the parking sign situation for him.

The two specific roads that Mr. Murphy mentioned are both very busy paved roads with significant traffic on a daily basis. The shoulders are very narrow and aren't paved.

When people stop their cars in order to get out to walk, they often need to spend a certain amount of time at the side of the car -- unloading family members, strollers, bikes and pets.

Sometimes they're not as careful as they should be when crossing

the roads, stepping out from between parked cars in front of oncoming traffic (travelling at speeds of 60 km/h or greater). This creates a dangerous situation for both the pedestrian and those driving on the road.

I have witnessed several near accidents in my own neighbourhood under these circumstances.

We are so fortunate that the Conservation Halton manages much of the land surrounding the areas Mr. Murphy has mentioned. They not only maintain trails for all to enjoy, but they provide ample parking areas where cars can be stopped and unloaded safely. They also provide maps for many of the trails. This service has a minimal cost attached, and I think that the benefit far outweighs the cost.

A year-long membership (for car and occupants) to all the parks maintained by the Conservation Halton costs only \$75.00.

Perhaps Mr. Murphy and others who wish to enjoy the local

scenery and trails would consider purchasing a membership and therefore save themselves the risk of a parking ticket, while supporting our local conservation authority.

This will help to ensure the maintenance of the trails for everyone's enjoyment, while promoting the safety of both the hikers and those using the roads.

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