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Shyvon Leonard, who recently had her bicycle stolen, now has a new bike thanks to Spokes N' Slopes and Milton Chrysler-Dodge. Presenting the gift are Martin Malaison and Matt Burger of Spokes N' Slopes and Lisa Boedecker-Belanger of Milton Chrysler-Dodge.

Huge display of community generosity, kindness lands theft victim a new bicycle

By STEVE LeBLANC
The Champion

Talk about a speedy act of goodwill. Frustrated over having her bicycle — her only means of transportation — stolen from Carriage Square September 18, 20-year-old Miltonian Shyvon Leonard wrote a letter to the editor about the burden placed on her as a single mother. The letter appeared in last Friday's Champion. No sooner was her dilemma made public than the community's kindness came rushing to the forefront — with not one but several offers of both brand new and used bicycles. People also called or dropped by The Champion office

throughout the week to offer financial donations. One of the first offers, and the one she accepted earlier this week, was a joint donation between neighbouring Ontario Street businesses Spokes N' Slopes and Milton Chrysler-Dodge. Lisa Boedecker-Belanger of the local car dealership had read the letter shortly before noon Friday and immediately sprang into action — calling Spokes N' Slopes' Matt Burger to inquire about helping the young mother out. "I was very dismayed that someone would do this (steal her bike)," said Ms Boedecker-Belanger Monday afternoon, during the bike presentation at Milton Chrysler. "I just thought it would be nice for someone to

help." Agreed Mr. Burger, "It's appalling that she would have her only means of transportation taken away. We felt for her and thought if there was any way we could help out, we would." So the two got together and split the cost of both a new bicycle and baby seat for curly-haired daughter Trinity. Ms Leonard — who's still in school and working part-time to support her one-year-old girl — said she was blown away by the donated bicycle as well as the other offerings and an anonymous gift of \$100 left for her at the Millside Restaurant where she works. "It's totally overwhelming. People are being so nice," she remarked. "This was really unexpected."

Residents worried development limits access to parklands

By RICHARD VIVIAN
The Champion

Access to E.C. Drury parklands must not be limited by development in the area, neighbouring residents told the Town's administration and planning committee Monday. At the heart of the discussion was a fence proposed to separate the existing neighbourhood and the lands being developed by H.D. Investments Inc.

The developer is building 202 condominium units on lands located directly behind the E.C. Drury school complex. The current plan calls for the fence to run uninterrupted, with openings at both ends of the property for pedestrian access. But neighbouring residents are calling for additional access points. An existing access point mid-way along the property must remain open to pedestrian traffic, they said. "There has to be access to not further

interrupt the lifestyle of the people who live within the existing residential areas," said Gowland Crescent resident Jerry Dias, whose children play in the park every day after school. "Closing off the fence to stop the flow of traffic will ensure the community will not be using the E.C. Drury land that we've enjoyed in the past." According to Mel Iovio, Milton's director of planning and development, the fence in question was requested by the Halton District School Board. While the Town can't stop the school board from constructing a fence on its side of the property line, discussions about park access will occur during the next phase of the development planning process, he said. Councillor Cindy Lunau said she supports the idea of keeping the existing access points because to close them off would limit trail work in the future. "Our trails plan and connection to the community have been important to us and this is no different," she said. "It doesn't do anybody any good to isolate the develop-

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Meteor lands near house in Campbellville

What's believed to be a giant meteor crashed into the earth south of Hwy. 401 near Guelph Line Tuesday night. According to a report in the Toronto Sun, Sean Mangan, 59, of No. 3 Sideroad was out on his porch when he saw a streaking fireball fly over his house. He described the object as 70-metres long and mushroom-like with a long stem. The heat was "unbelievable," he said. Mr. Mangan said when it hit the ground, the vibrations shook his house near the Kelso ski hill. It's believed the object landed into a swampy wetland area near Guelph Line and No. 3 Sideroad at about 8:30 p.m., but nothing could be verified.

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