Two Elliott Cres. homes evacuated in gas leak

Two Elliott Crescent homes were evacuated Sunday after a gas line was punctured.

At about 3 p.m., a man was installing a new retaining wall on his



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property when he accidentally hit a five-inch plastic gas line.

The homes were evacuated for about an hour-and-a-half while Union Gas repaired the leak.

No one was injured.

Electronic equipment stolen

Electronic equipment valued at \$6,000 was stolen from a No. 3 Sideroad residence between August 8 and Tuesday while the owners were away.

Unknown suspects entered the garage from an unlocked door and forced their way into the home.

Police are investigating.

Racing bike missing

A \$2,800 Millennium Roadrace bike was stolen from a Randall Crescent home August 9 between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Unknown suspects ransacked the living room and bedroom before making off with the bike.

Cash taken

A wad of cash was stolen from an Eighth Line residence Sunday between 3 and 7:30 p.m.

The owner discovered her front door unlocked and \$1,700 was taken from her daytimer left on the kitchen table.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE # 2

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE

Mid-Peninsula Transportation Corridor **EA Terms of Reference**

THE STUDY:

The Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) has retained URS Cole, Sherman & Associates Ltd. to prepare a Terms of Reference (ToR) to guide the future preparation of a Route Location/Concept Design Individual Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Mid-Peninsula Transportation Corridor.

In June 2001, the Premier and the Minister of Transportation announced the completion of the Niagara Peninsula Transportation Needs Assessment initiative. The key product of the needs assessment is a multi-modal Transportation Development Strategy a "road map" to guide transportation investment. The Mid-Peninsula Transportation Corridor has been identified as one of the key elements in the Transportation Development Strategy. As a result, MTO has initiated the environmental assessment (EA) process for the potential new transportation corridor. The first step in the EA process is the preparation of an Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference. Other elements identified in the needs assessment study (i.e. road widening, transit improvements, etc.) will be examined under separate initiatives.

THE PROCESS:

For an Individual EA, the Environmental Assessment Act requires that a proponent prepare a Terms of Reference (ToR) to define the scope of the proposed EA Study. The ToR requires approval by the Minister of Environment and Energy (MOEE) and the subsequent Individual EA is then prepared in accordance with the approved ToR.

The intention is to submit the ToR to MOEE for review in March 2003. The final product will be a ToR document which will provide a definitive scope for the subsequent Individual EA project.

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRES:

In preparing the ToR, the Project Team will seek public input and comment via five rounds of Public Information Centres (PICs).

The second round of Public Information Centres (PIC) has now been arranged. The purpose of this round of PICs is to provide an additional opportunity to present the overall study process and the Draft Transportation Needs Assessment.

The information presented at this round of PICs will be the same as the information presented at the first round of PICs in July.

Tuesday August 20th, 2002 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Presentation at 6:30 p.m. West Lincoln Arena 177 West Street Smithville

Wednesday August 21st, 2002 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Presentation at 6:30 p.m. Milton Memorial Arena Lions Club Hall 77 Thompson Street Milton

Thursday August 22nd, 2002 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Presentation at 6:30 p.m. Ancaster High School 374 Jerseyville Road Ancaster

Three more rounds of PICs and a round of public workshops will be held over the fall 2002 to winter 2003 period.

COMMENTS:

Comments and information regarding this project are being collected to assist the Ministry of Transportation in meeting the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. This material will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.

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Jeep stolen, recovered

A 1993 jeep was stolen from a Cabot Trail home August 8.

At about 1 a.m., the owner of the residence heard the vehicle start in the driveway. Attempts by the man to chase the jeep by foot failed.

Police located the abandoned jeep a short time later on Graham Bell Court.

The first suspect is described as a white male in his twenties with brown hair. He was wearing jeans and a gray t-shirt. The second suspect is also described as a white male in his twenties with brown hair. He wearing jeans and a baggy sweatshirt.

Anyone with information is asked to call police at (905) 878-5511.

Youth sent to hospital

A 17-year-old Milton youth was taken to Milton District Hospital after a fight broke out at a Pizza Pizza outlet Sunday.

Police say the fight started at the Laurier Avenue establishment at about 2 a.m. and continued outside.

The youth was taken to hospital with minor facial injuries. Police are investigating.

Crime Stoppers of Halton

Lawn tractors taken

Halton Regional Police are investigating an overnight theft of lawn tractors from a Milton business.

Sometime overnight August 1 to 2, thieves went to the Halton Turf and Tractors Store on Steeles Avenue. They managed to make off with four brand new John Deere lawn tractors with a total value of \$29,542.

Evidence found by police indicates that a truck was backed up and loaded by the thieves.

Anyone with information is asked to call Crime Stoppers of Halton at (905) 825-4747, ext. 5139. You will never have to give your name or testify in court.

