

Driver wasn't badly injured

A Georgetown man was trapped in his pick-up truck after a collision with a tractor-trailer Wednesday afternoon.

The collision happened at about 1:30 p.m. on Regional Road 25, just north of James Snow Parkway, in front of the Chalet Restaurant.

"We used what we call the jaws of life to spread the door apart to get the driver out," said Milton Fire

Department Acting Captain Walter Rice. "The boys did a wonderful job doing it. It took about a minute-and-a-half to get the man out."

The driver of the pick-up truck suffered minor injuries and was taken to the hospital by ambulance. The driver of the tractor-trailer, a Toronto man, wasn't hurt.

Captain Rice said the driver of the pick-up was "a very lucky

man." He was driving alone, and there was more damage to the passenger side of the vehicle.

If the driver's side of the pick-up had been hit more directly, the situation would have been more serious, Captain Rice said.

No charges have been laid at this time. The investigation is continuing.

Tractor-trailer slides into duplex

Icy conditions on a Regional Road 25 driveway, north of No. 15 Sideroad, caused a tractor-trailer loaded with 100,000 pounds of apples to slide into a duplex early Tuesday.

Halton police said the incident just north of Milton occurred at about 4 a.m. when the driver of the north-bound truck was attempting to turn around in the

driveway.

Police said the truck struck the duplex, causing only minor damage to the home.

No one was injured in the incident, however Regional Road 25 was closed between No. 5 and No. 15 Sideroads for about 45 minutes while a tow truck pulled the truck off the icy driveway.

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Watch for Parks & Trails Development in 2003

Expect to see changes happen to some of our parks and trails along with the development of new multi-purpose trails in our community. This work is proceeding at this time due to \$2,000,000 in funding support approved (over 3 years) from the "SuperBuild" program. The SuperBuild program is a funding partnership of the Federal and Provincial governments, requiring municipal and community funding support, that contributes to the development of community infrastructure. The Town was able to put forward an application showing community partnership with financial contributions and/or services in kind from a number of local businesses and service clubs. The SuperBuild projects include:

- Re-development of Rotary Park Outdoor Pool and a new park building
- Final design and development of Lions Sport Park including the Skate park
- Re-development of Drumquin Park
- Walkway lighting improvements to some existing trails
- Implementation of the Trails Master Plan. New trails will be developed to connect our existing and new urban areas including trails through woodlots, along tributaries, and existing utility easements.
- Design and re-development upgrades to Melanie, Fay, and Thompson Parks

Mohawk Slot Proceeds Support Our Community

The current policy of Milton Council of allocating the slot revenue places a major emphasis on funding infrastructure in lieu of other sources of funding. Without this new source of funding, capital projects would have to be delayed, reduced in scope or funded from debt which would impact on property taxes in future years.

Town Council has a high interest in supporting the community in other ways as well, and has allocated \$500,000 annually to the Milton Community Fund and \$225,000 annually for additional policing services in the Campbellville area.

If this source of funding were to be reduced or eliminated, then it would create a need to restructure the timing, scope and financing of infrastructure, and rethink support for the community fund and extra policing services.

The Town of Milton receives this funding as a result of an agreement with the Ontario Lottery & Gaming Corporation. The amount received each year is calculated based on a percentage of total revenue at the Mohawk Slot location. To date, the municipality has received the following amounts:

1999	2000	2001	2002
\$2,536,462	\$6,373,745	\$5,602,366	\$6,193,295

Because it is not a consistent amount, Milton Council reviews the total revenue proceeds annually to determine the allocation for each new year.

To date,

- 88% has been designated to support projects in the community - road improvements, new equipment for fire services, park and building enhancements, new equipment needed to support the upkeep of our roads and parks.
- 8% has been allocated to the Milton Community Fund, which provides support to community organizations, and individuals whose primary purpose is to provide activities that enhance the quality of life within our community, or enhance the image of the Town.
- 4% has been allocated to Halton Regional Police to support increased police services in our community.

In 2003, Council approved continued support for the Milton Community Fund and over 4.5 million dollars to support projects to be undertaken by the municipality.

Some examples are:

- New and upgraded fire protection equipment
- Intersection improvements at Main Street and Wilson Drive
- Road improvements on Derry Road, 6th Line, and Puslinch Town Line
- Sidewalk and bridge repairs
- Road improvements to Lydia, Sarah, Garnet, Sydney, Elm, George, Court and Broadway streets
- Technology Services
- Melanie, Fay, and Thompson Park improvements
- Walkway and lighting improvements

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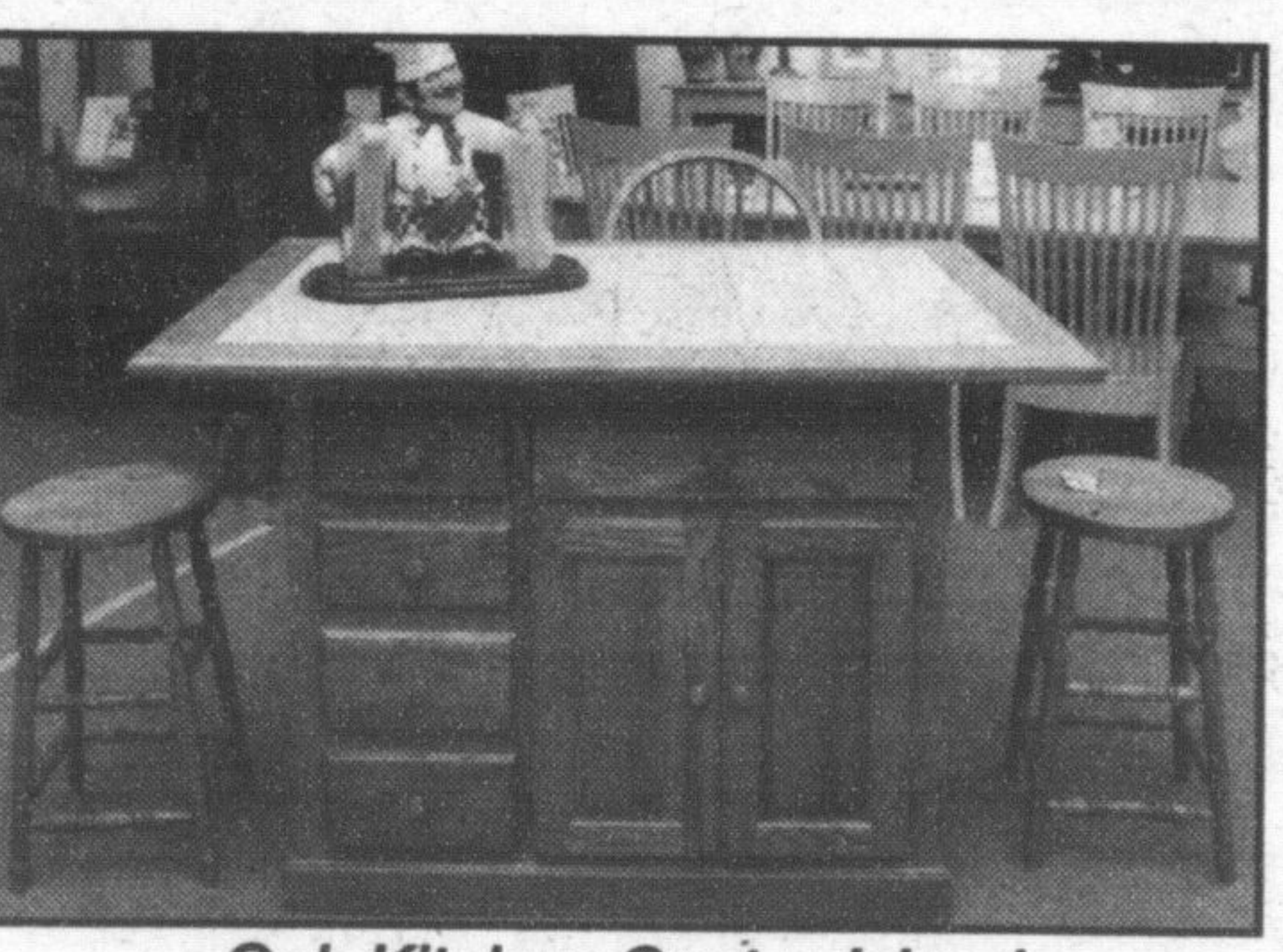
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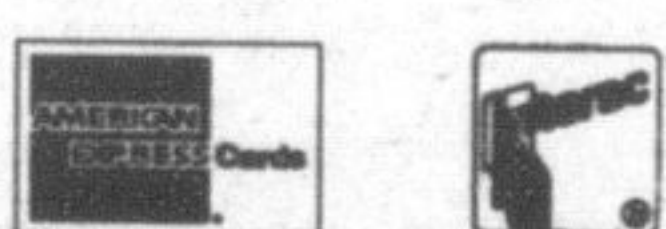


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