

## Rash of thefts from vehicles

Vehicles were the prime target for thieves over the Christmas holidays.

Early last Friday morning, Halton Region Police noticed a couple of teenagers near Supreme Auto Body at 140 Nipissing Rd. A subsequent check of the parking lot found numerous cars had been entered. The two 17-year-old suspects, from Acton, were found to be in possession of a flashlight, vicegrips and a large knife. Police charged them with theft.

### Theft charge

Last Thursday, a passerby observed a person rummaging through a 1988 Ford pick-up on Heslop Rd. A couple of cassettes were reported missing. The following day police charged a 37-year-old Milton man with theft and for being in possession of lock picking equipment.

### Goods stolen

Last Saturday evening, Denva Rentgen of Milton parked his 1988 Plymouth Sunbird outside the Moviola Cafe on Main Street East. Early Sun-

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day morning he reported an amplifier, two coats and hockey equipment, worth about \$2,000, missing.

### Car wheel missing

Christopher Tasker must have thought it was Halloween instead of Christmas. He reported that sometime before Christmas the front right wheel had been removed from his 1980 Volkswagon Rabbit.

### Wallet gone

Bradley Gillis of Milton reported his wallet stolen from a gas station parking lot at Ontario and Steel Ave., last Wednesday, as he went inside the station for a few moments.

## Jewel thief hits Milton home

Halton Regional Police in Milton are requesting assistance in solving a residential jewel heist.

A home situated on the north side of Childs Drive at Coxie Blvd. was entered, by forcing the side entrance to the house on Dec. 12, sometime between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. Jewellery and silverware valued at \$2,800 was stolen. Included in the missing property are two sets of silverware, one for a setting of six and the second for a setting of eight.

Among the jewellery taken was a gold charm bracelet with about 20 gold charms which included an anchor, a heart, a lady bug, several small keys and two gold lockets.

Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 for information that leads to an arrest in this case or any other case. Callers are not required to reveal their identities or to testify in court. The Crime Stoppers toll free number is 1-800-668-5151.

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**As of January 1, 1990  
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### When will premium payments end?

January 1, 1990.

Ontario residents are responsible for paying their premiums until the end of December 1989, for the period through March 31, 1990.

### Will my health care coverage continue?

Yes. If you were covered you will continue to be covered under your present OHIP number.

Payment of the final premium will ensure continuous coverage to March 31, 1990.

After April 1, 1990, coverage will automatically remain valid for all eligible residents of Ontario.

Ontario's health care system covers all residents of the province including students, senior citizens, retired people, people on social assistance, people who are employed, unemployed or self-employed.

### What should I do if I do not have an OHIP number?

Contact your local OHIP office.

### Will the change affect personal coverage under company plans such as semi-private coverage or company drug plans?

No.

### Why did the Ontario Government eliminate OHIP premiums?

In the past, many companies paid all or a percentage of OHIP for their employees. Other companies paid nothing. Many Ontarians paid OHIP premiums on their own. Unfortunately, many of the people who had to pay their own premiums were those who could least afford them. The new Employer Health Tax and the elimination of OHIP premiums will make the system fair for everyone.

### Will there be enough money to maintain the quality of health care we enjoy today?

Yes. Last year nearly fourteen billion dollars, one third of the entire provincial budget, went towards providing health care for Ontario residents. The elimination of premiums in no way affects the amount of money the government has committed to health care. It simply changes one of the sources of the money. In the past OHIP premiums only paid for a very small part of the Ontario health care system. Most of the money for health care came from general revenues collected through the tax system.

### What do I do when I go to the doctor or the hospital?

Do what you usually do. Use your OHIP number. It's still the same. Present your number to show that you are eligible for health care services.

### Did we miss answering one of your questions?

If you have further questions here are two ways we can help you:

- 1) Call your local OHIP office. You'll find the number in the blue pages of your local telephone directory.
- 2) Call the Ontario Ministry of Health toll-free number: 1-800-268-1154. TDD 1-800-367-5559.

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