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Grants help students 'arrive alive'



Milton's three high schools were each presented cheques for \$1,000 Friday by Halton North MPP Walt Elliot to help prevent impaired driving. The Attorney General Ministry grants were accepted by Bishop Reding students Stefan Mangotich and Tammy Hickey, Milton District students Lauri Snow, Nicole Burnett, Kara Burnett and Dana Harrison and E.C. Drury students Paul Brodeur, Jennifer Brazeau and Michelle Fiebig.

Impaired driving goes under attack by government

By KAREN SMITH

Milton's three high schools have each received \$1,000 grants from the provincial government to help prevent impaired driving.

The funding, part of the Attorney General Ministry's Arrive Alive grants program, will be used by Milton District High School, E.C. Drury High School and Bishop Reding Secondary School students in their efforts against drinking and driving.

In announcing the grant at Milton town hall Friday, Halton North MPP Walt Elliot praised students for their work.

"Ontario secondary school students have always shown enthusiasm, dedication and innovation," he said.

"This government recognizes that their contribution has had a significant impact on the reduction of teen involvement in Ontario drinking and driving crashes."

Student and teacher representatives from each high school as well as Milton Mayor Gord Krantz were on hand at the noon-hour press conference.

Projects funded with the grants cover a broad range of activities developed by students to promote awareness of the impaired driving problem in both their schools and communities.

The collective voice of hundreds of secondary school students throughout the province spreads the message among their peers that drinking and driving is an unacceptable and deadly combination, said Mr. Elliot.

Now in its third year, the ministry's grant program was established to support the vital work done by student groups across Ontario to reduce drinking and driving.

Data calculated by the ministry continues to show that teenagers are involved in crashes where alcohol is a factor at about twice the provincial average.

That rate is steadily declining, though, added Mr. Elliot.

Drury play 'Almond Joy' reaches final of Sears Festival

By KIM MAGEE Co-op student

E.C. Drury High School advanced to the semi-finals of the 1990 Sears. Ontario Drama Festival for the first time since the annual competition came to Halton three years ago.

The school's student-written play Almond Joy was chosen to compete in the regional drama showcase in Guelph March 29-31.

The award banquet Saturday , marked the end of the four-night competition held at Burlington Central High School.

Overall, students of E.C. Drury and Milton District high schools walked away with seven awards.

E.C. Drury students Jason Blanchard was given an award of merit for his direction and acting in Almond Joy while Kathy Ward won an award for acting. Chris Howard received the adjudicator's award for his writing.

E.C. Drury's second entry E.C.O. P.A.W.S. also received two awards. Kim Magee received an award of merit for her direction and Jason Barlow for his set design.

Milton District High School student Mark Lonergan also won the adjudicator's award for his writing of No Moon Tonight.

Almond Joy was among three plays chosen to advance to the regional finals. The others include: A Deed to a Dream from Burlington Central and G.U.T.S. from Lord Elgin.

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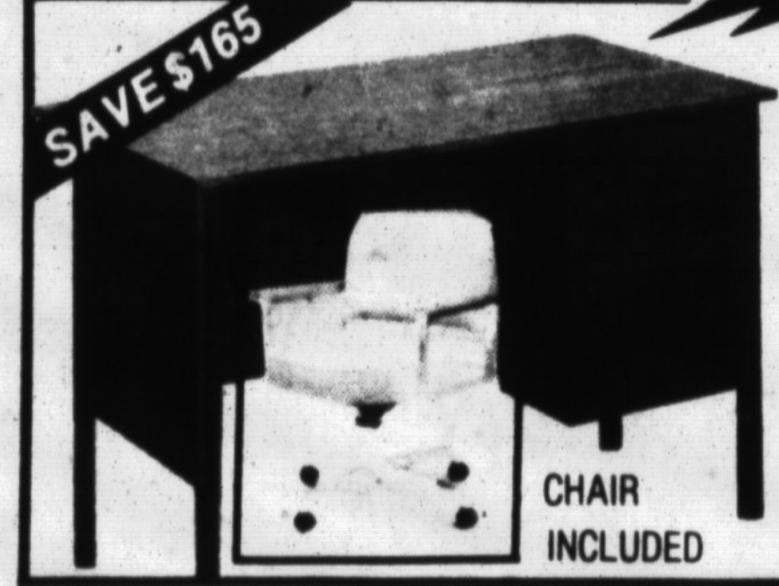


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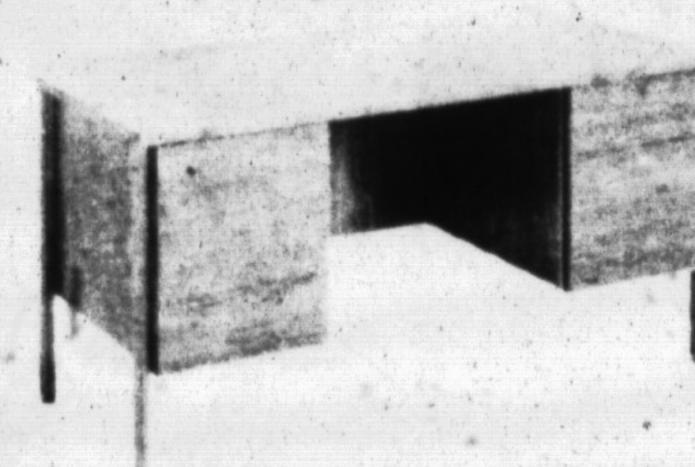
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