



Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

**Hydro and sandwich included**  
It appears as though you won't go hungry renting this apartment. The humorous sign was seen around town recently.

## Appeal in sentence

from CO-DRIVER'S on page 1 requested or when the appeal would begin.

Carly's mother, Sandy MacNeil, who after the March sentencing said the eldest of the two drivers received only "a tap on the hand" for her actions, indicated she is seeking a stiffer penalty for the 18-year-old. "I don't think there was any message there for her," she said yesterday. "I hope I'm not going to be let down again."

Celebrating the end of the school year, the group of friends were on their way home from Emerald Lake — a popular Flamborough swimming and picnic area.

Before leaving on their trip, the youths approached a Milton man to buy liquor for them. Accompanied by a 12-pack of beer and six coolers, the teens left for the lake at about 1 p.m.

When it was time to come home, the driver who had borrowed her parents' Honda for the day, informed her friends she had too much to drink and didn't want to get behind the wheel.

Instead, she operated the standard transmission vehicle's clutch, gas,

brake, and stick shift from the front console of the car, while a sober youth, who only had her learner's permit, steered. The four other passengers, including Carly, sat in the back seat.

The teens had been travelling for about 15 minutes when the driver on the console decided to pass a car full of friends ahead of them. She pulled the wheel and accelerated, causing the car to go out of control and roll over.

Ms Jago argued that alcohol was a major factor in the accident, regardless of the fact that neither of the drivers were found to be impaired.

But Judge Fuller said the girl who pulled the steering wheel made a split-second error in judgement which didn't likely result from the small amount of beer she drank.

He noted the girls' high academic achievements and backing from members of the community, who submitted to the court positive reports of their characters.

Aged 16 and 17 at the time of the single-vehicle crash, the girls' identities are protected under the Young Offenders Act.

## Mohawk fund tops \$50,000

Donations exceeding \$50,000 have poured in from across Canada and the United States to aid horsemen affected by the April 2 fire at Mohawk Raceway.

The Mohawk Barn 3 Fund, set up by the Ontario Jockey Club (OJC) which owns the Campbellville race track, has received donations from both Canadian and American stables and breeders, as well as from the general public.

"Money is still coming in," said OJC spokesperson Kathy Wade Vlaar.

The OJC started off the fund by donating \$10,000, and Toronto businessman Robert Grand — who lost several horses in the devastating blaze — added \$25,000 to the pot.

Another fundraiser — in the form of a dinner-dance and silent auction — will be held at Mohawk Raceway Thursday, April 30. Tickets cost \$100 and can be purchased from the Guelph Line track's publicity office.

The fire which killed 69 horses and wiped out nine trainers' stables is being called the worst disaster in North American horse racing history. Damages and losses are estimated to be in the millions.

## About-face reinstates 75 daycare spaces

By ROB KELLY  
The Champion

In March Halton Region slashed \$35,000 in subsidized child care from its budget, which meant cutting 75 children out of the program. But Wednesday regional council overturned that decision, after the man who originally proposed the cut

spoke in favour of reinstating the funds.

Halton regional chairman Peter Pomeroy, who in March said he wanted to use the controversial child-care subsidy cutback to make a point with the provincial government, said Wednesday Québec's Park has acknowledged his anger, and that it is time to back off.

Mr. Pomeroy said he had pushed for the cutback in what are known as child care 'spaces' initially "to impress on the province of Ontario that we are fed up" at being told to cost share programs without funding increases from Queen's Park.

"We did it to make a point and the point is well made," Mr. Pomeroy continued. "I carried the message to

the Minister of Community and Social Services (Marion Boyd). She said 'I hear you. I don't agree with what you did, but I hear you.'"

Many regional councillors weren't happy with the turn of events, however, since it meant in effect re-opening the regional budget for discussion and possibly having to

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