

Rash of break-ins in Burlington

Halton Regional Police detectives in Burlington and Crime Stoppers of Halton are asking for the public's assistance in identifying the culprits responsible for a string of break and enters along Fairview Street in Burlington.

During the early morning hours of August 25 and 26, five businesses were broken into in strip plazas along Fairview Street.

The businesses targeted were the Framing Experience, Joy Fabrics, Lewiscraft, and Daville Hair Design on Fairview Street and Radio Shack in the Burlington Mall.

Overnight on August 28 and 29, the culprits struck again and entered My Science Project and Stopp Inc., both at 3480 Fairview St.

Investigators have examined the modus operandi in each entry and are convinced the same culprits are responsible for all of these break and enters.

The thieves targeted cash in most of the entries, however, at My Science Project the culprits stole some unusual equipment: a large Galileo thermometer (glass encased bubble type), an astrolabe (brass and pewter), a time pyramid (black), and a world clock with airplane and assorted crystals.

If you have any information that leads to an arrest in this or any other case, you may be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000. You need not give your name and your information will be treated with complete anonymity. Call 1-800-668-5151 or 825-8477.

Peanuts help fund grow

The Kidney Foundation is feeling "the crunch" of tough economic times during its annual fundraising peanut campaign.

Overall sales are down an average of 11 per cent from last year at this time, according to Susan Budd, campaign chairperson for the Toronto and District chapter of the organization.

"The recession is having a direct result on our peanut sales," she said. "However, our volunteers are determined and are keeping a positive outlook."

Each bag of peanuts sells for \$3 and contains 16 individual snack packs.

"As Halloween approaches, we anticipate an increase in sales since many people purchase our peanuts to give out as Halloween treats," said Mrs. Budd.

Five Canadians every day learn their kidneys will fail. Improving the quality of life for kidney patients, through medical research, patient services and public education programs, is the driving force behind the peanut campaign.

Kidney Foundation peanuts can be purchased by calling Valerie Banducci, Milton-area co-ordinator, at 824-0445.

They will also be sold at Town Hall Thursday, Oct. 15, at Milton Mall Saturday, Oct. 17 and at Milton District Hospital Wednesday, Oct. 14.

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