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Post-Halloween pumpkin pick-up

Pumpkin pickers usually do their work before Halloween however a group of 20 Milton District High School students will be pumpkin picking after jack-o-lanterns have served their purpose.

The second annual pumpkin pick-up is set for Monday, Nov. 2 from 1 to 5 p.m. The students, members of Teens for Environmental Awareness in Milton (TEAM), with the help of Town of Milton trucks will collect pumpkins in urban neighbourhoods.

Residents living within the boundaries of Main and Bronte streets and Thompson and Derry roads are asked to put their pumpkins on the curb. The pumpkins will be taken to Andrews Scenic Acres and the Merry farm.

"The pick-up was a big success last year," says TEAM president Dodie Morely.

Last year's organizers didn't anticipate the huge response the program received however and were not able to pick up all the pumpkins. Ms Morely hopes they'll be able to cope this year with the help of the Town and with a more well defined area where the service will operate.

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Local 'Yes' organizers say they 'did their best'

By ROB KELLY
The Champion

On the No side, spokesperson Rick Malboeuf was quietly pleased. In the Yes camp, Rose Harrison and John Challinor were disappointed but philosophical as the Charlottetown Accord was swept aside Monday.

In Mr. Malboeuf's vision, what comes next is a focus on economic renewal. From Mrs. Harrison's perspective, the future is fuzziier. "I don't know where we're going from here. I really don't."

Mr. Challinor said Quebec separatist leaders Jacques Parizeau of the Parti Quebecois and Lucien Bouchard of the Bloc Quebecois "got a tremendous shot in the arm" with the results of Monday's referendum.

Mr. Challinor, a Milton municipal councillor, stumped for the Yes side with Mrs. Harrison, a former town councillor, by handing out Yes Committee literature in places like the downtown Farmer's Market. Mrs. Harrison said strong evidence of opposition to the deal was apparent among many passersby in that generally genial setting.

When they collected Accord pamphlets, "you could tell by the little set of their jaw, the hard look on their face," that people were planning to vote No. As well, "there weren't that many offers of help," for the Yes backers.

"We did our best," Mrs. Harrison said. "If they had done away with the Senate, I think we would have gotten a lot of people on side."

As things stand on the Constitutional front, "I don't think we're going to get anybody to talk about it for years," she predicted.

While Accord backers were supposed to represent a cross-section of federal political parties working together, Mrs. Harrison said she didn't see that in Milton. "John (Challinor) and his little group worked the hardest. But we

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Milton votes 'Yes' but it was close

By ANGELA BLACKBURN
Special to The Champion

The Oakville-Milton Yes Committee members fell a little short of their goals, but considering the results from the rest of the country, they achieved a major victory.

At the start of the campaign, the Yes Committee predicted an 80 per cent turnout at the polls — they got an estimated 78 per cent turnout.

They also predicted a 90 per cent 'Yes' vote in the Oakville-Milton riding — they saw a 60 per cent Yes vote.

The local 60/40 split was being considered a landslide by Yes Committee member Jack Lewis.

"In a vote like this a 60 per cent-40 per cent split is considered a landslide. That's what the pundits were saying. I think we've done very, very well," said Mr. Lewis as final poll results were posted at the local Yes Committee head-

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Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

A cut above

Ready for the contest at Mountsberg Wildlife Centre Sunday, Pamela Atkinson, 4, gives her entry a big hug. There were hundreds of pumpkins given away to visitors for the annual carving competition.

Woman fends off attacker in apartment building hallway

A police investigation continues after a 69-year-old Milton woman reported she was sexually assaulted while in her Ontario Street apartment building last Wednesday evening.

According to Halton police, the woman was standing in the hallway of her apartment building at approximately 9 p.m. when a male approached her from behind and put his arms around her face and eyes.

Fearing a knife attack, the woman did not scream for help.

The male attacker then lifted the woman's sweatshirt, injuring her shoulder, and pulled down her track pants, at which time the woman kicked back with her foot in an attempt to stop the suspect.

The man subsequently fled the building and the victim reported the incident to her husband.

Milton OPP were called to the scene and ran a check of the area with no results.

The woman was then taken to Milton District Hospital where she was treated for a sprained right shoulder and later released.

The male was said to be wearing a dark blue or black jacket at the time of the assault. Investigations continue.

Anyone with information concerning this incident is asked to call Detective Sergeant Mike Eacrett at 878-5511 or Crime Stoppers of Halton at 1-800-668-5151 or 825-TIPS (that's 825-8477).

Brother faces assault charge

An argument between two brothers ended with an assault charge for a 17-year-old Milton youth last Wednesday afternoon.

According to local police, the 17-year-old male arrived at his apartment residence on Bronte Street with four friends at 4:30 p.m. where they found his 13-year-old brother listening to loud music on a stereo.

The younger brother was asked to turn the volume down but instead responded by turning the volume up, police report.

A fight broke out between the brothers at which time the older sibling allegedly went into the kitchen and got a knife.

According to the police report, he held the knife to his younger brother's throat until his friends were able to get the knife away from him. After this, the 17-year-old began punching his brother.

Police were called in later and arrested the youth for assault with a weapon at 11:10 p.m. The youth will appear in Milton court.