

New stop signs on Ninth Line

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Urban growth has shifted traffic and increased volumes and accidents, making an all-way stop at Lower Base Line and Ninth Line necessary, municipal officials say.

"There have been increasing accidents reported at the intersection . . . adjacent to the City of Mississauga," said a report to council last week from town public works director John Matthews.

Councillors approved an all-way stop but asked staff to investigate the possibility of wiring flashing stop signs instead of a flashing overhead light at the intersection.

Ward 2 Councillor Brad Clements said it was his belief such flashing overhead lights could be dangerous. He pointed to a similar light at Steeles Avenue and Tremaine Road. That light flashes red in two directions and yellow in two directions, which the councillor believes to be a source of confusion and potentially a factor in a recent fatality at that intersection.

"I'm opposed to that type of warning light," said Mr. Clements.

While Mr. Matthews said the signal lights are accepted province-wide, staff agreed to investigate how much increased cost would be involved in wiring the stop signs.

The Town of Milton and City of Mississauga are splitting the cost of the new stop signs.

Ninth Line is a boundary road between the two municipalities. It's maintained by Milton on a cost-shared basis with Mississauga. Lower Base Line is called Eglinton Avenue in Mississauga. Historically, Lower Base Line had the most traffic, however urban development in Mississauga and Oakville has shifted traffic patterns since 1989, giving Ninth Line more traffic.

The intersection's all-way stop will cost \$5,250, with Milton paying 50 per cent. The intersection will get oversized stop signs, stop bar markings on the pavement and speed limits in all directions from the intersection will be reduced from 80 or 70 km/hr to 60 km/hr.



Happy birthday, Father Mark

Actor/singer Michael Burgess dropped by a birthday celebration held in honour of Father Mark Curtis at the Harrop Restaurant and Gallery last week. Father Mark performed a concert at the party and collected \$400 in donations, which will go to One World Global Education.

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The Activity Centre offers drop-in opportunities and various programs and activities at a nominal cost; bridge is played Monday and Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m.; Bingo is played Friday mornings at 9:30 a.m. and Euchre Friday afternoons at 1:30 p.m. The Craft Club gets together every Wednesday morning from 10:00 to 12:00. Feel free to join any one of these activities... the more the merrier.

Summer Day Trips are very popular. Seats are still available for the following trips: Big Creek Boat Farm (Aug. 9th) - Seniors Jubilee (Aug. 18th) - 'HAMLET' (Aug. 30th) - Mystery Tour (Sept. 7th) and Viva Las Vegas (Sept. 15th). For details on these and other trips call the Centre at 875-1681.

Wednesday, August 17th, from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m., mark this on your calendar!! For only \$2.00 (entry fee to pool), you can enjoy a relaxing swim at the Milton Leisure Centre and some tasty poolside treats, HAWAIIAN LUAU style. So come on out, bring a friend...make some new friends and join in the fun!

Don't forget the Lunch Counter every third Friday of each month at 12:00 o'clock. You can enjoy a homemade lunch, served in a friendly and inviting atmosphere.

Drop in anytime. Between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. feel free to drop by the Seniors Activity Centre at your leisure. Coffee, tea, cookies and a host of friendly faces are always awaiting those who like to chat. Better still go for a tour of this magnificent facility, our volunteer hosts are more than willing to guide you. Our attractive library/lounge is ideal for reading, doing puzzles or just relaxing. You can also take advantage of the many recreation supplies and equipment always on-hand, including our new billiard table.

Be on the look-out for more events coming your way. In fact, there is a Special Events/Activities Planning Meeting, Thursday August 11th, commencing at 10:00 a.m. in the Seniors Centre Lounge. Anyone interested in contributing is welcome to attend, remember Total Effort Achieves More.

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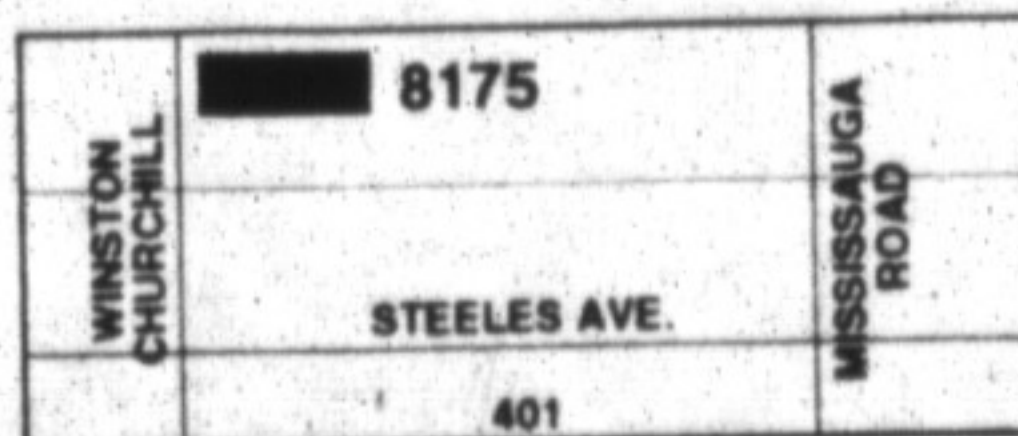
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