## Group aims to lower alarming rate of tractor accidents

• from TRACTORS on page 4 grams to improve tractor safety were launched in the 1980s. A steady

decrease in the statistics is encouraging, he noted. Last year there were 24 farm fatalities, 13 involving tractors.

That's roughly half the numbers of year will be the best we've ever seen the early 1980s.

"We've got our fingers crossed this

in keeping the numbers down," said Mr. Zronik. This year the association and province produced a new tractor safety video, print materials and distributed a special issue of the Farmsafe Newsletter to 60,000 Ontario farms.

year-old Cedar Hedge Farm, knows only too well farm dangers. Involved with farm safety over 20 years, Mr. Patterson is president of Halton's Farm Safety Council.

Last year, he received 10 stitches to

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This is one of the busiest times of the year, when farmers are putting in hard work and long hours, he noted. Mr. Zronik said the new farm safety video highlights tractor safety and 10 stitches young children. In Milton, long-time dairy farmer "A good number of tractor riders Cecil Patterson, who owns the 154and bystanders are children. The younger ones, the under five age

group, have been heavily implicated over the years in the statistics," said Mr. Zronik. Between 1977 and 1993, about 59 children killed by tractors were under five. Mr. Patterson said the recent history of tractor-related fatalities in

reattach the end of his finger after it

was chopped off in a corn harvester.

"The teacher got the test wrong," he

Halton is "scary reading." Seven lives were lost between 1979 and 1993, the victims aged three to 65. Many 1993 Ontario farm fatalities

involved those over 65. Mr. Patterson said it reflects a trend that "mom and dad are still involved in the family farm."

The most recent local accident claimed a three-year-old child north of Milton in 1991. Three children were riding bicycles into long grass in an apple orchard. A farmer cutting the grass saw two children clear it, unaware of the third. The tractor rolled over the child.

#### 'Classic accident'

"To me that's a classic farm accident, children in long grass," said Mr. Patterson.

In June, 1990, a 23-year-old man cutting grass under a hydro right-ofway in Burlington with a tractor and rotary cutter fell off, was run over by a tractor wheel and repeatedly struck by the blade.

In 1985, a 65-year-old man tripped and fell under a truck delivering hay into a barn.

In 1983, a 47-year-old man suffered a stroke while driving a tractor. In 1982, a 45-year-old man was travelling in a truck that collided with a transport truck.

In 1981, a Georgetown farmer found vandals had started a tractor, letting it move through a field. The 43-year-old man jumped on the side of the tractor, said Mr. Patterson. He fell off and was run over.

In 1980, a 32-year-old man cleaning a corn dryer caught some clothing on the machine and was pulled in. Mr. Patterson said the man wasn't discovered for several hours.

Mr. Patterson stressed training in operating tractors, usually worth \$30,000 to \$50,000.

Carelessness is often at the root of tractor incidents, admitted Mr. Patterson. Tractor operators should always know where their vehicle's wheels are, he stressed.

Other safety tips to avoid rollovers include:

Never hitch loads higher than

drawbar Avoid backing downhill or

turning uphill Start slow and change speed gradually

Back out of mud if possible

 Avoid steep slopes Lock brake pedals before high

speed travel Keep loader buckets low during transport

All tractors operated on roadways should display a slow moving vehi-

cle sign. Farmers are urged to read operating

manuals, thoroughly train new operators, do pre-operational checks, clear the area before moving a tractor, avoid carrying riders, use rollover protective structures and seatbelts, keep all shields in place and always remove keys when not using a tractor.

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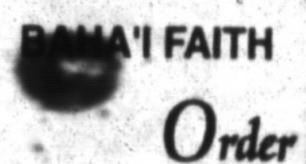
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6:30 p.m. — Gospel Service

Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
Prayer Meeting and Bible Reading

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" John 14.6





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For general inquiries or information on bi-weekly open houses and prayer meetings please contact: Box 13, Milton, L9T 2Y3 878-3098

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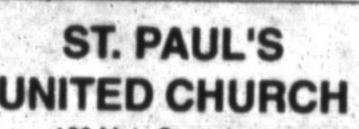


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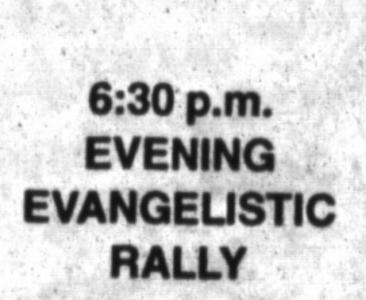
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