

Halton cool to drug program

By BRAD REAUME
The Champion

A non-profit organization in Milton is attempting to develop a 48-bed residential centre for youth who have drug or alcohol problems.

Your Turning Point is anticipating building and site approvals for a rural facility which will open within a year, however, they want to open a building right away and have requested approval to operate a temporary program in an empty area of Martin House.

Halton regional officials say the organization does not have enough committed funding to prove their financial viability.

Project president Denise Mule told members of Halton's health and social services committee recently Your Turning Point would be willing to pay only heat,

hydro and restoration costs for the facility, given the fact that it is presently empty. Committee members accepted the suggestion but shelved it until more funding was in place.

According to a report by Bonnie Ewart, Halton's commissioner of social and community services, the organization has not met Ministry of Community and Social Services requirements for licensing.

According to Ms Mule her group has approached the federal and provincial governments for funding. However, Ms Ewart's report said the provincial ministry indicated verbally that they had no money for such a project adding it would cost, in their estimation, a minimum of \$600,000 for about a dozen residents in annual operating expenses.



Photo by KAREN SMITH

This van was gutted Monday after it caught on fire in a Main Street parking lot. Fire officials say the blaze was caused by mechanical failure.

Van burns, rod thrown 100 feet

By KAREN SMITH
The Champion

Smoke billowed from the parking lot of the Milton Medical building Monday as a parked van was gutted by flames.

The 1989 Ford Aerostar caught fire at about 2 p.m. while the Burlington owner was inside the building at 69 Main St. E., just east of Bronte Street.

"Flames went through the car and popped out the windows within five minutes," said witness Marily Berry of Milton.

Ms Berry was in a doctor's waiting room with a friend when somebody said a van in the parking lot was on fire.

Another witness sleeping in his truck in the parking

lot said he was awoken by two loud booms.

The blaze sent a gas-charged strut on the van's rear door 100 feet across the street, said Milton firefighter Mark Cross. The part hit a parked car and damaged its windshield.

Luckily, no one was hurt, Mr. Cross said. Few ears were in the parking lot when the fire started, witnesses said.

The Milton Fire Department, which knocked down the blaze quickly, has listed the cause of the fire as mechanical failure.

The owner, Elizabeth Posthuma, told firefighters she has had problems in the past with the vehicle smoking.

The loss totalled about \$5,000.

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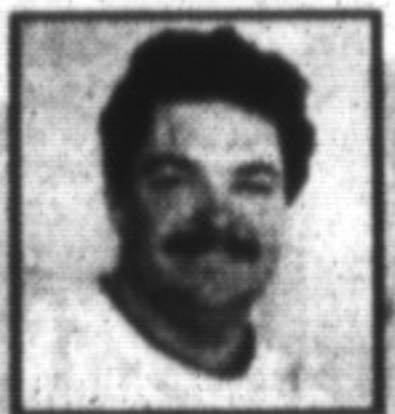
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Please apply in writing, stating your qualifications. Applications will be accepted until 4:30 pm on September 30th, 1996. Further details regarding the Board, may be obtained by contacting the undersigned at 878-7211.

Wm. Roberts, Town Clerk
The Corporation of the Town of Milton
Victoria Park Square, P.O. Box 1005
Milton, Ontario L9T 4B6

WARD BOUNDARY AND COUNCIL REPRESENTATION OPEN HOUSE

Milton Council has requested that Staff hold an Open House for public input on Ward Boundaries and the number of elected officials on the Council for the Town of Milton.

Information relating to these topics and projected population figures will be available for viewing at an Open House to be held on:

Friday, September 20th, 1996
7:00 pm to 9:00 pm
Hugh Foster Hall

Questionnaires will be available at the Open House. Written comments may be forwarded to the Town Clerk by September 30, 1996 at the following address:

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