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Man arrested after police warn women

By David Lea
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A 26-year-old Oakville man faces charges in connection with the harassment of several women in the area of Devon Road and Maple Grove Drive between Sept. 25-28.

Halton police reported last week that a man, driving a small SUV, drove up to women walking in the area and asked them to get in his vehicle.

In one instance, police said, the suspect made a sexual gesture towards the woman.

Those approached ranged in age from teenagers to middle-aged.

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Duo busted with paint on their hands

By David Lea
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Two Oakville men, aged 25 and 21, are facing charges after graffiti was sprayed-painted on the Fourth Line/QEW overpass Saturday night.

Police said they received a call from a concerned resident around 11 p.m., reporting that two men were spray-painting the structure.

When officers arrived, they chased the men who they reported as having jumped over a fence and onto the overpass itself.

Both suspects allegedly had paint on their hands.

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LAUNCH DAY: An elated rabbi Stephen Wise, who heads up Oakville's Shaarei Beth-El congregation, survived his first-ever tandem jump at Skydive SWOOP in Flamborough, last Thursday. Seen here in mid-air with professional skydiving instructor Chris Laflamme, Wise made the leap to launch his new book, *Israel, Repairing the World*.

Oakville rabbi makes leap for faith

By Catherine O'Hara
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Talk about a leap of faith.

Rabbi Stephen Wise, leader of Oakville's Shaarei Beth-El congregation, launched himself out of a plane Thursday, to mark the

release of his book, *Israel: Repairing the World*.

"I'm very excited about this book. Sometimes, when you are so excited about something, you want to do something a bit unusual," said Wise, a father of three.

"I couldn't think of anything more unusual

than jumping out of a plane for Israel."

Wise, 38, wants to inspire today's youths to take pride in their communities, culture and future. His book aims to do just that.

"The book is about all the wonderful gifts that Israel has given to the world," he said.

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