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Welcome back



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HELPING HAND: Crossing guard Robert Backus helps Caroline Venema, centre, and Brianna Baird cross the street on Heritage Way to attend Heritage Glen School on their first day back to school on Tuesday. Backus is a retired firefighter who has been at the same crossing post for seven years.

Butterfly Foundation was expensive failure

By David Lea
OAKVILLE BEAVER STAFF

The Bronte Butterfly Foundation began eight years ago with an ambitious target of raising \$3 million for a 210-metre winter skateway and butterfly park.

It fell far short of its goal, however.

The end result was a Butterfly Gazebo, some park benches and \$50,000 in the bank.

Last month, that money was handed over to the Town to be used in developing the Bronte Heritage Waterfront Park.

The Bronte Butterfly Foundation (BBF) was incorporated in 1999 and became a registered charity shortly afterwards.

According to the annual tax reports filed with the Canadian Revenue Agency, the foundation had more than \$1 million in revenues from 2000-07, but spent nearly as much.

In eight years, the foundation generated revenues totaling \$1,074,971, but it had also incurred expenditures totaling \$1,039,187 with administrative costs reaching \$503,350.

The revenues included \$350,000 in provincial grants and another \$127,000 in donations.

"I knew for some time that it wasn't looking good, but we kept plugging away and kept

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Gunman robs armoured car

Halton Police are asking for the public's help in finding the man who pulled off a daring robbery of an armoured car on Friday.

Police said that at 11:23 p.m. an armoured car pulled up to the TD Canada Trust, located at 2221 Lakeshore Rd. W.

The employees, who work for the armoured car company Group 4 Secure Cor, were in the process of transferring cash to the ATM when they were confronted by a man armed with a semi-automatic pistol.

Police said the man threatened

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