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## ■ BREAST CANCER ■ CASS A drive for a cure Presentation teaches students how to overcome challenges

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WOODSTOCK— Their goal? To drive out breast cancer one truck at a time.

More than 35 transports rolled down the eastbound lanes of Highway 401 Saturday from the Fifth Wheel Truck Stop in Dorchester to the TA Travel Centre in Woodstock around lunchtime on Saturday. Many rigs in this Convoy for a Cure sported pink balloons, pink boas or bras and some were decorated with a simple breast cancer logo attached to their front grill.

Their mission was to raise more money than last year's unbelievable contribution of \$36,000 to the Canadian Breast Cancer Society.

They succeeded.

Although final tallies are not yet available, Convoy for a Cure was on target to raise between \$42,000 to \$44,000.

A large part of that donation was raised through employees and corporate donations at Peterbilt Ontario. Their donations totaled \$20,000.

"It's so overwhelming," said Joanne Mackenzie, event co-ordinator. "What we hope for each year is that this will be the last year we need to do this. We hope a cure is found."

Evans shared personal stories about losing friends from mistakes made under the influence of alcohol.

"By the age of 19, I had buried my two best friends," he said.

One of Evans' friends crashed after driving drunk on his motorcycle and another, Jamie, jumped 18 storeys off a building during a party.

He said he wished he had sat down and spoke to Jamie about his drinking problem.

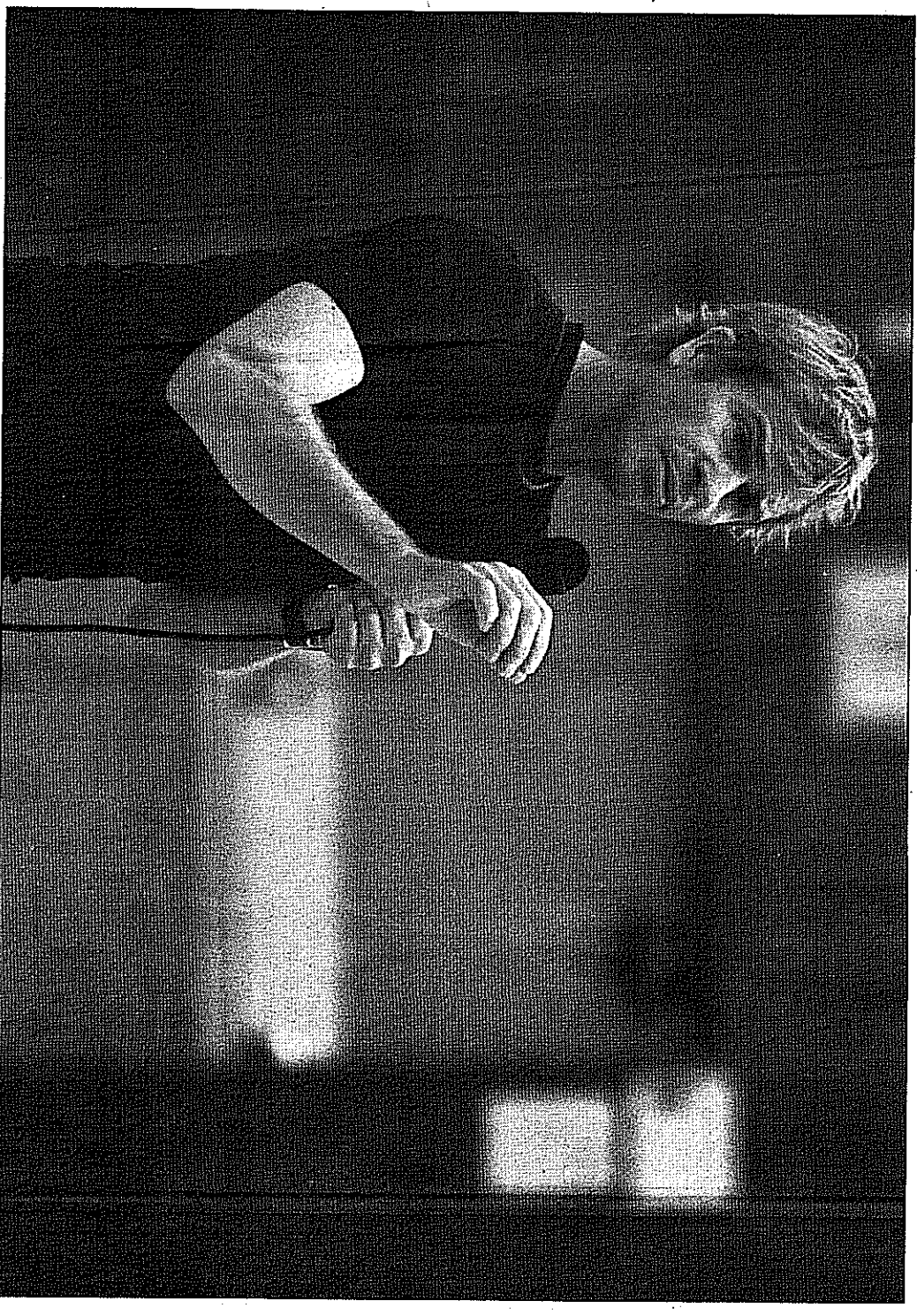
"You don't realize how much of a positive impact you can have on a friend," he said.

Describing alcohol as a "gateway drug," Evans explained that typical consumption of alcohol in Canada is a lot more than in other countries.

"Canadians can, at times, look to booze like a descent from Heaven," he joked.

"When it comes to parties, your life you have try, care and work, he said.

Evans said he didn't try enough in high school and said it wasn't until 15 years later that he learned that acting was something he excelled in. He



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Matt Evans, provincial co-ordinator for Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving, spoke to students at College Avenue Secondary School Friday during a presentation called Meet the Challenge.

Impaired driving is the number one killer of teenagers. Nobody gets in their car and wants to hurt their friends, but people think they know how to drive and that's when it happens."

Matt Evans, provincial co-ordinator for Ontario Students Against Impaired Driving

told students to find out what their talent is.

"Got to be creative," he said. "Think outside the box."

Evans encouraged them to get involved in OS/AD.

"I really think your generation can be the generation that cuts the violence down, that respects their friends," he said.

CASS was selected out of 50 schools in Ontario to have the presentation for free.

The organization chose schools that didn't have an OS/AD program started, said Brittany Beatty, a Grade 11 stu-

dent, OS/AD ambassador and region three representative at CASS. In order to be eligible, schools were required to elect an OS/AD ambassador or start an OS/AD group.

"I think it's a really important message," Beatty said. "Every 30 minutes in Ontario, someone's life is affected by it."

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#### ■ VANDALS SLASH TIRES

WOODSTOCK – Vandals went on a tire-popping spree along four streets in the early hours of Sunday morning.

Around 1:20 a.m., Woodstock Police Service officers were called out to investigate a report of two slashed tires on Butler Street. No suspects were located in the area, but 14 other vehicles were found with punctured tires. The vehicles were parked along Butler Street, Spencer Street, Finkle Street and Hay Street.

The estimated damage is between \$3,500 to \$4,000. Woodstock Police are

encouraging anyone with information about this crime to contact the Woodstock Police Service at 519-537-2323 or call Crime Stoppers at 519-421-TIPS (8477).

#### ■ HOUGH-MCWEELY TO STAND TRIAL

WOODSTOCK—The woman accused of defrauding more than \$100,000 from a Woodstock business will stand trial.

Ontario Court of Justice Judge Marietta Roberts made the ruling Thursday after a two-day preliminary hearing.

Hough-McWeely faces numerous charges, including theft over \$5,000 and fraud, in relation to her employment as a bookkeeper with Glenile Electric.

All the evidence and the identity of the witnesses who testified in the preliminary hearing are protected by a publication ban. A date has not been set for the Superior Court trial.

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