

# GRAPEVINE



## Rolling Random Acts

A free bike clinic for kids is one way Bethel Church will help celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Week, a community-boosting initiative of the Acton BIA to encourage civility and caring. The June 17 bike clinic – featuring adjustments, lube and tire maintenance – runs 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the church.

## Limehouse beef

The popular Beef on a Bun dinner at Limehouse Presbyterian Church on June 11 is expected to draw more than 150 people to the ninth annual spring feast to raise money for church maintenance and programs. The \$11 menu, with servings at 5 and 7 p.m., includes coleslaw, baked beans, dessert and refreshments. For tickets call Pam at 519-853-0347.

## Volunteers needed

Want to see some great Canadian women's golf up close and help at a major event? The CN Canadian Women's Tour comes to Acton's Blue Spring golf course on June 27 to 29, and organizers need volunteers to help make the tournament, with its \$60,000 purse, run smoothly. Want to help? Call Paul at 519-853-0904 ex. 2238.

## Cancer Car Show

At least eight Acton vehicles, along with those from Limehouse, Rockwood and Erin, have registered for the annual Classics Against Cancer car show on June 19, Father's Day, at Cedarvale Park in Georgetown.

The 24th annual event is one of the largest juried car shows – there will be approximately 300 vehicles – and features 18 classes of cars, along with music, activities, food and refreshments. Proceeds will go to Children's Cancer Campaign.

## Hot car call

Do you own a dream car? Acton's Nik Milner is looking for classic or otherwise hot cars to include in the 2012 Dream Car calendar, issued annually by Wal-Mart. Milner is accepting submissions – either e-mail him a photo or the description of your vehicle to [nik@nikmilner.com](mailto:nik@nikmilner.com)

## Men wanted

Acclaim Health is looking for male volunteers able to donate a few hours a week to brighten

someone's life by taking male seniors for walks or other activities. For information call Mary or Brenda at 905-827-8800, ex. 2319.

## Free job help

The Links2Care Employment Resource Centre has a number of free job search seminars slated this month, beginning June 15 at 2 p.m., with information about how to write a cover letter that will get you an interview. On June 16 at 1 p.m., information about employment and re-training programs will be offered, and on June 20 at 2 p.m., the session will include job search strategies. For details call 519-853-5014.

## Library programs

On-line registrations are now being accepted at [www.hhpl.on.ca](http://www.hhpl.on.ca) for Acton library programs for young children. Baby Tales, a parent and baby program for those aged six to 23 months offers music, rhythm and puppets to have fun. Tales for Twos is a one-on-one program for two-year olds and their parents/caregiver that involves stories, felt boards, fun, music and creative movement. Library Lion Tales is a 30-minute pre-schooler program for three- to five-year olds. For information call 519-853-0301.

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Tomorrow (Friday) is a PA Day, and kids are invited to bring their lunch to the Acton branch and munch while watching Disney's Tangled. The movie shows at noon.

## A Touch of Class sold

Former Acton businessman and entrepreneur Stephen Attwell has purchased A Touch of Class Flooring, Kitchen and Bath from Rob Charette who will stay on as a consultant at the business, which relocated to Main Street North from Mill Street three years ago.

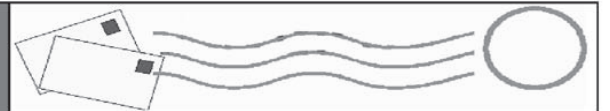
When last in business in Acton, Attwell owned Vintners, a wine making business, on Mill Street. He said he intends to expand the kitchen and renovation part of the business, and may expand product lines to include windows and doors. He is currently creating a showroom at the Main Street north location, and plans to hold a grand re-opening this summer.



**WORK CREW:** Approximately 500 Geraniums were planted on the graves of Acton veterans, and members of the Branch 197 Legion and Ladies Auxiliary at Acton's Fairview Cemetery on Sunday during the annual decoration day. Taking a well-served break were, Front from left: Loesje Kutasienski, Flo Weatherbie, Marg Bromby. Back: Cathy Munday and Kathy Verbeek.

– Ted Tyler photo

## Letters



## Walk for ALS a success despite weather

To the Editor,

Acton/Georgetown once again showed what the communities can accomplish. Despite the huge morning storm on Saturday that caused the cancellation of our Walk for ALS, there were many positives.

Over 800 people braved the weather to come out and support our local Walk for ALS. We surpassed our 2011 fundraising goal and brought in approximately \$155,000. We certainly raised awareness about ALS and we showed that there are a lot of people in our community that care and want to show

their support to our local ALS Clients and their families. Scott Murray and his Murray Machine Team brought in over \$40,000, in donations which currently is the largest in Canada for 2011. Other tremendous teams were The Sutherland Supporters, Acton's Poppa's Posse, Burt Buddies, and St. George's Saints, and the list goes on.

We are proud to let everyone know that all of the food that was ready for our walk has been donated to our local food bank.

If you were unable to make it to the walk, your donations/cash and cheques (made out to

ALS Ontario (Acton/Georgetown) can be mailed to: ALS Ontario, c/o 11 McMaster Street, Georgetown, Ontario, L7G 5G7.

You can still donate on-line to our 2011 Walk for ALS at [www.walkforals.ca](http://www.walkforals.ca) right up until the end of the year.

Look for our Walk for ALS Float in the Glen Williams Canada Day Parade. We will also have a booth set up to collect any of your outstanding donations.

Sincerely,  
The Knox Family  
Georgetown, ON

## Cat calls from cat lover

To the Editor,

I am directing this letter to those who adopt 'cute little kittens' and later abandon them when they are no longer wanted. Do those people not know the harm they cause, or do they just not care?

Abandonment of animals is a cruel and selfish act. If the abandoned cat is lucky, it will become a problem for a responsible, compassionate person. If it is unlucky, it will either suffer miserably or become a problem for the entire community.

Cats reproduce rapidly. One abandoned cat can quickly create a feral cat colony which results in inbreeding that produces sickly kittens, attracts coyotes looking for easy prey, and becomes a nuisance to the community.

The more despicable act of disposing of unwanted kittens in garbage bags or boxes, or outright killing them is too cruel for civilized people to even contemplate.

If one cannot afford or cannot be bothered to have a kitten spayed/neutered, then don't adopt it. Sterilization is a simple, one-time procedure. By having this done, you will have a better pet and will not be shifting your responsibility onto others.

Cats, like other animals, have needs and feelings. They are part

of nature and deserve respect and humane treatment accordingly. Those who treat cats like yesterday's trash need to step up to the plate and accept their responsibility to their fellow creatures as human beings ought to do.

Sincerely,  
Eileen Hutcheson,  
Acton, ON

## Reds Kindness

To the Editor,

RE: Thanking our local garden center

In spirit of celebrating a "random act of kindness," I would like to thank James and his staff at Red's Nursery for helping a member of our community occupying a Habitat for Humanity home. With their generous donation and expertise we were able to start an outdoor project to beautify the exterior of the home.

Thanks so much, it looks great.

K. Reddeman



**NEW BABY**  
At your house?

It's time to call your  
**Welcome Wagon Hostess**

*She will bring congratulations and gifts  
for the family and the NEW BABY!*

**Call Deborah**  
**519-856-9968**

