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Ophthalmology dept. at hospital a possibility

By JANET BAINE

The Georgetown Lions Club want to help set up an ophthalmology department at the Georgetown and District Hospital.

The new service would mean residents of north Halton could have operations for cataracts and other surgery at the Georgetown hospital, instead of driving to Guelph or Brampton for the service.

"The ones that are least able to travel are the seniors and it's these people that the new service would help," said Lion Don Coughlin, who is on the committee trying to set up the department.

Coughlin, an optician, is sure there is a large enough demand for this service to justify having it in Halton Hills, especially since the population is aging.

The project would be a major undertaking for the Lions Club, since it would cost approximately \$170,000 to set up, he said.

Coughlin said his club has been interested in the project for the past couple of years, and they are waiting to hear from the hospital board to find out if they are willing to take on the project.

"We need to confirm some costing information and see if we can afford it this year," Hospital Director John Oliver said. He said the project is still in a "very, very preliminary" stage, with nothing finalized.

The hospital needs to find out both the capital and operating costs and decide what services the department would provide.

Approval from the Ministry of Health and possibly the local District Health Council would be necessary before the project can go ahead, Oliver said.

But, approval from the board of directors at the hospital is the first step.

Careless smoking

Careless smoking is to blame for a small fire at a Church St. east residence in Acton early last Saturday morning. Approximately \$600 fire damage was done to a couch, according to the Fire Department. No injuries were reported.

Neilson's to close candy warehouse



The Acton unit of the Canadian Cancer Society assembled during Blitz Night to raise the flag at the Acton Cenotaph, Tuesday night. Taking part are (from left) Campaign Chairperson Liz Bailey, President Cathy Gerrow, canvasser Karen Con-

ron, Zone Captain Le Anne Taylor and Cathy McGillivray, communications officer. See MORE PHOTOS on page 3.

TED BROWN Halton Hills Weekend

April Cancer campaign kicks off

By TED BROWN

More than 170 early risers were out in full force Wednesday morning to kick off the fundraising campaign of the Georgetown unit of the Canadian Cancer Society at the annual Cancer Breakfast at North Halton Golf and Country Club.

The breakfast traditionally starts the campaign ball rolling by announcing the schedule of fundraising events.

Georgetown unit chairman, Paul Armstrong welcomed those present and recognised a few individuals for their volunteer contributions to date.

Edgar Thatcher was thanked for his work with Victor Hanson in producing and promoting the New Age Vaudville Show which added \$3,500 to the campaign coffers.

Bill Smith spoke briefly about the upcoming Bill Smith Invitational Golf Tournament for Charity, June 24. This will be the 15th year for the tournament and Smith told the crowd he hopes to surpass the \$200,000 mark as a grand total for

the 15 years the tournament has been running.

Smith also recognized Barry Kedwell and Sue Symington of Curwood Packaging for the work they have done over the years to host the annual campaign breakfast.

Neil Young outlined the annual "Classics for Cancer" car show, held June 16 at Cedarvale Park. Touted as one of the finest shows around, Young asked the people to make sure they attend and bring a friend, because the show will fea-

ture bigger and better things than previous years.

"We hope to have two Duesenbergs at the show," said Young, "which is usually unheard of. It's quite an accomplishment to have one, let alone two."

The Classics Show raised \$11,500 last year, and the committee hopes to better that figure with this year's effort.

Armstrong introduced guest speaker Barbara Reiger, who is the

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Dairy division continues strong

By JANET BAINE

Truckloads of Neilson chocolate bars will no longer be stored in Georgetown before being shipped to your corner store.

In June, William Neilson Ltd. is moving their confection warehouse from Georgetown to downtown Toronto.

The warehouse is used to store chocolate bars made by Neilson Cadbury, a Toronto company. Bob Noftall, director of human resources, said Neilson Cadbury leases space from Neilson's in Georgetown, as if it were two separate companies.

"There's no cause for concern for employees," he said. While 21 Georgetown jobs will be lost, those employees will be offered jobs at the new facility on Gladstone St. in Toronto.

Employees learned about the move at a meeting in Georgetown on Tuesday.

Noftall said the warehouse in Toronto is being renovated and will be ready sometime in June.

"We don't have an exact date yet," he said.

The percentage of employees affected is minimal, compared to a total of 550 working at Neilson's in Georgetown, he said. The dairy division of Neilson's has been operating for 17 years and business is going very well, he said.

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