

EDITORIAL

with Frances Learment

Superior Glove Works lives up to name

The pride was palpable in a Superior Glove Works warehouse at noon Tuesday when the company officials – dad Frank Genc and sons Tony and Joe – announced the industrial work glove manufacturer had been named one of Canada's Best Managed Companies.

The national award recognizes 50 Canadian-owned and managed private firms with annual revenues of at least \$10-million – applicants are judged on strategy, commitment, capability and financial strength. Along with the plaques, celebratory pizza and cake at the Acton location, some 45 employees at the Newfoundland operation shared in the success with a party of their own.

In Acton, company founder Frank Genc remembered the early days of hammering leather work gloves with wooden mallets. Today's technology – embraced by President Tony Genc and Vice-President Joe Genc – includes fibre and cut-resistant gloves that are dipped and dotted.

Humble, but very proud, Joe Genc thanked the assembled staff for their role in helping win the award. Tony Genc credited their successes to a dedicated approach to "enhancing our business operations and maintaining a high level of quality that sustains growth and expansion."

What an honour their accomplishments bring to Acton.



NEEDS A GOOD HOME: No word who donated this life-size plush stuffed bear to the Acton Salvation Army Thrift Shop - or how much it would cost to take it home. Staff found the unique bear when they arrived for work on Monday. – Marie Shadbolt photo

Twister tales

Part of my adventures at this paper are to contact the Halton Regional Police Services Media officer to collect the week's happenings for Acton. This past Friday, I was emailed the following police report. Please note: This is NOT an official Halton Police report. The incident was actual (well, most of it) and recounted here courtesy of a co-worker who was just as amused as I was.

POLICE REPORT: Several charges were laid after prominent local businesswoman (our Advertising and Circulation Guru) was apprehended by police on Highway 7 just outside of Acton yesterday afternoon after a lengthy chase.

Officer Robert Tastebud pulled the suspect over, suspecting she was talking on a cell phone, an offence under the Highway Traffic Act. The alleged cell phone was, in fact, a chocolate cranberry twister from Sobeys, initially reported stolen, but the investigation found it was merely on sale (that part is totally fabricated). Officer Tastebud confiscated the offending pastry and reported it was delicious.

A vehicle search turned up evidence of newsprint, McDon-



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alds French Fries and several dog hairs, and she was found guilty of Reckless Vehicular Endangerment with a Pastry, Careless Cleaning of a Vehicle, Poor Animal Grooming Practices, and working for The New Tanner, which included the lesser offence of typographical errors also known as typo-s.

She will appear in Court next week and could face jail time. Oddly enough, she's looking forward to the time away.

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It is true - advertising guru Marie was pulled over last week on Highway 7 when a police officer thought she was talking on a cell phone. She was not. She really was eating a pastry – a twister – that she has become quite fond of.

The pastry is apparently shaped like an iPhone-style cell phone, and I suppose from a distance, if you are holding one in your hand while driving a car, it could resemble a cell phone. For those of you who know Marie, she was

quite entertained by the whole event, ending the conversation with the officer a recommendation to try a twister as they are "quite tasty."

As amusing as this is, talking on a cell phone while driving is a serious offence that recently cost a local woman her life. The following is some information of the use of a cell phone while driving that is available on the Ministry of Transportation Ontario website:

Distracted drivers are more likely to make mistakes or react too slowly. That's why drivers who talk, text, type, dial or email using hand-held cell phones and other hand-held communications and entertainment devices face fines of up to \$500 under Ontario's distracted driving law. Police can also charge drivers with careless driving or even dangerous driving (a criminal offence) if they do not pay full attention to the driving task. If you are convicted of careless driving, you will get six demerit points and can be fined up to \$2,000 and sentenced to up to six months in jail. In some cases, your licence may be suspended for up to two years.

PAST PAGES



Ten Years Ago

- Halton Hills is not a "cancer hot spot" but Halton health officials raised concerns with cancer incident rates higher than expected.

- Halton secondary school teachers – including 32 in Acton — waged a work-to-rule campaign to protest lagging contract talks with the board of education.

Five Years Ago

- The Hide House cleared inventory in its flagship Acton store and two other locations after filing for protection under the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act.

- CASH INN opens in downtown Acton offering payday loans, cheques cashing and cash advances.



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