

Bill Black, 91, and son Keith, both of R.R. 4, Acton, prepare for the 12th annual Terry Fox Run Sunday at Acton High. Bill may certainly be proud of the fact that he's taken part in all 12 local runs. (Frances Niblock photo)

Lest We Forget

Preparations are underway for the Acton Legion's annual poppy campaign and Remembrance Day ceremonies. Town council is doing its part by agreeing to buy the wreaths necessary for the War Memorial and printing the Remembrance Day programs. The Town also proclaimed the week of Nov. 1 to 11 as "Poppy Week."

Here comes Santa Claus

Summer is barely over but already Acton fire-fighters are making Christmas plans. Last week, town council gave the fire-fighters permission to close a number of Acton roads on Saturday, Nov. 21 for the Santa Claus parade. The parade will assemble at McKenzie-Smith Middle School for a 1 pm start and travel on Acton Boulevard south to Queen Street, to Mill Street, to Main Street North, to River Street and finally to Willow and River Streets for the finish.

Acton Rabies Clinic

Pet owners should mark Saturday, Oct. 17 on their calendars. That's the day local veterinarians will hold a rabies clinic at the Prospect Park boat-house to offer low-cost rabies vaccinations. For \$8, Acton and area pet owners can have their pets immunized against the killer disease. Halton health department statistics show there are an average of 12 reported cases of animal rabies a year in Acton and surrounding areas.

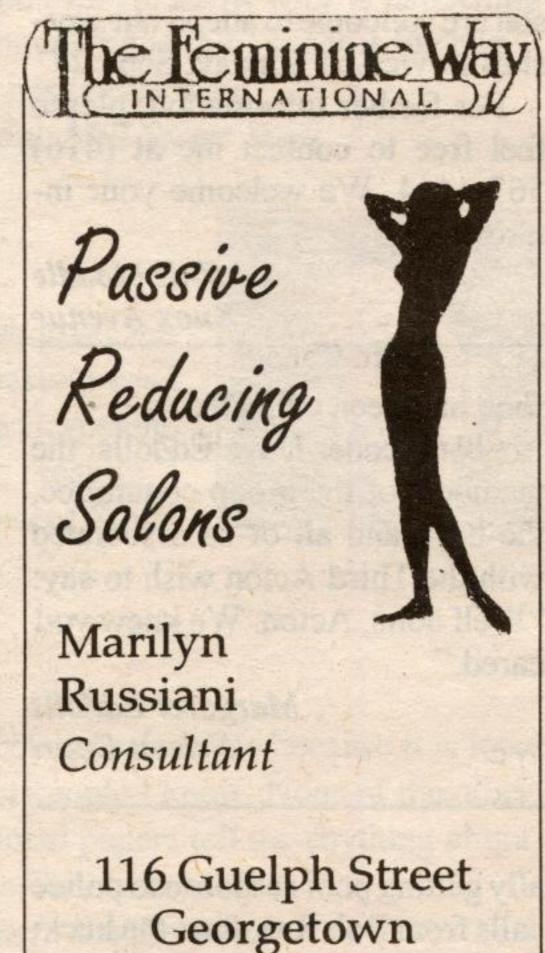
Taxi complaints unfounded

Town staff report that repeated complaints of excessive noise at the Reliable Taxi Stand on Mill Street in Acton are unfounded but the complainant, who lives above the stand, is not convinced. As Town council accepted a staff report clearing the taxi company of any wrongdoing, councillor Rick Bonnette produced a new list of noise com-

plaints from Debbie McKnight. Staff say inspections by police and bylaw staff found there is no excessive noise problem and commended the taxi company for operating its arcade, billiard room and snack bar in a "neat, orderly fashion."

Town supports can deposit

Halton Hills has joined a growing list of Ontario municipalities that are asking Queen's Park to help reduce litter by promoting the use of refillable containers and implementing a refundable deposit program for non-refillable drink containers. Last Monday the Town endorsed a recommendation from Waterloo Region urging the Province to include a mandatory deposit in its proposed new legislation for beverage containers.



Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 9 pm

Saturday & Sunday 9 am to 1 pm

873-4907

Seniors Scene

Pat Giguere



Hear all about it

The Acton Golden Age Club started the mid-month meeting last Wednesday with a pot-luck supper followed by a meeting. Pledges were made to "Babe" Roszell, Edna Gordon, Alice Pilkington and Nan Hurst for the Terry Fox Run — which they participate in yearly.

Edna Besley, our Program Convenor, introduced Shirlee Smith, a seniors' outreach service counselor, who addressed Hearing Loss and Communication. She brought out misconceptions about hearing and aging. How often have we heard: "Why don't you speak up, you young people all mumble these days. All right, there's no need to shout."

In older people, hearing loss may begin gradually and progress slowly, there may be inconsistent listening behaviour or there may be problems of distortion.

So how do we help? Gain attention by facing those hard of hearing directly, having the light on your face and not behind you, avoiding background noise such as the radio and not talking from another room. Speak normally and get to the point. If you are not understood, say the same thing in different words, or if necessary, write it down.

If you find yourself complaining about people muttering or having people repeat things, go see your doctor. She is the one who can arrange consultation with an approved hearing aid agency. The government will pay 75 per cent of the cost of a hearing aid every five years if you go through an approved agency. Shirlee is available if you want advice; give her a call

at 416-896-7667 (collect).

The Seniors have two day trips planned: Saturday, Oct. 17 we go to Oktoberfest at Bingeman Park, Kitchener, leaving Acton at 10:30 am. Cost is \$28.00

Thursday, Nov. 5 it's off to Carmen's in Hamilton to reminisce

with the Fabulous Fours — The Four Lads and The Four Aces. Remember Three Coins in a Fountain, Love is a Many Splendoured Thing, Moments to Remember, and Standing on the Corner? Again, we leave at 10:30 am and the cost is \$31.00.

On both trips a luncheon is included. Want to Join us? Give Pat a call at 853-2738.

Taxes could jump 7.2 per cent

Halton Hills councillors want to know the consequences of holding tax increases down next year. At Council last Monday night staff were told to look at specific spending options that would result in tax increases ranging from a zero per cent increase up to 7.2 per cent.

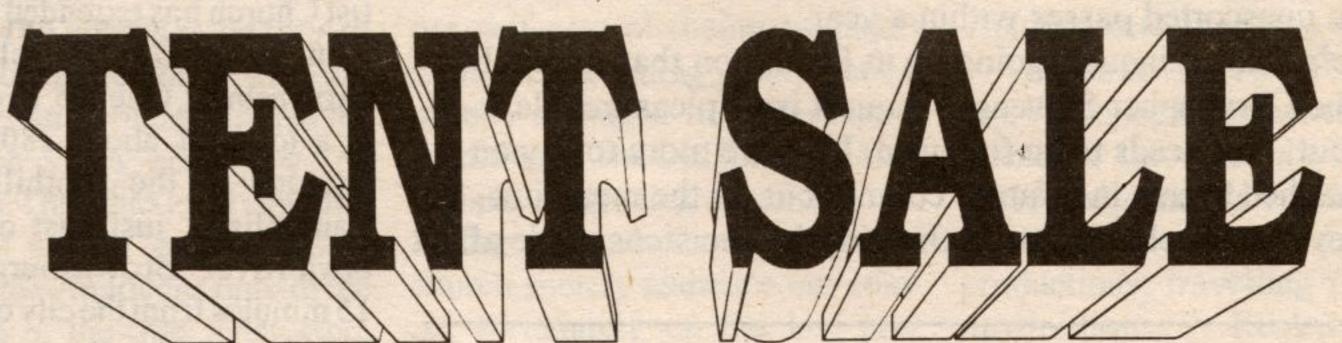
Town staff's initial report suggested the increase for Town purposes alone could be 7.2 per cent with options to drop it to 3.8 per cent but Council asked for the zero increase figures as well.

Treasurer Ray King said last week, "The proposed spending plan is a hold-the-line budget. There is no provision for any more staff or new service levels with the exception of the possibility of \$198,000 in extra debt charges for the Acton arena. It's a very tight budget document. Any tax reduction would mean some reduced services."

King also suggested a new timetable that would see the proposed spending plan finalized in February rather than April of next year.







1989 Buick Century Ltd., 4-dr., V6, fully loaded, 2-tone charcoal-\$9,275.00 silver, 70,000 km.

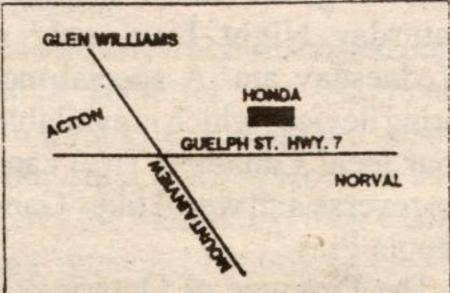
1988 Ford F150 Custom pick-up. 6-cyl, 5-speed, \$7,450.00 excellent shape

1989 Mazda 929 Luxury Sedan loaded with every factory option available, including leather. \$14,777.00

1989 Nissan 240SX, 5-speed, Flash Red. Balance of Factory warranty. only 50,000 km. \$11,750.00 Like New!

1987 Nissan Sentra XE 2-Dr, 5-speed. Very sporty Red! \$5,995.00 1988 Honda Civic DX Hatchback. 5-speed, Air, colour Red \$6,680.00

1988 Honda Prelude SI, Auto, Air, RED. Only 70,000 km — like new! \$12,788.00



New GEORGETOWN EQUIPMENT

873-1818

203 Guelph Street (Hwy. 7), Georgetown