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**NOVICE CHEFS:** The Nellis Construction Novice I Sabres rep hockey squad held a fund-raiser at the Acton arena on Saturday. The team, and their parents, sold baked goods, garage sale items, raffle tickets and crafts to raise money for future tournaments. Working at the bake table were, back row left to right, Cindy McKinnon, Sheri Atkinson and Sharon Newby. In the front, from left to right, are Jon Newby, Adam Brouillard and Nicholas Newby. (Tony Rouse photo)

## Humeniuk a 'miracle guy'

BY RICK SOUTAR  
The Acton Tanner

One of Acton's best loved citizens is still in critical condition a week after surviving a collision which almost claimed his life.

Peter Humeniuk, who has operated his barber shop at 27 Mill St. E. for about 30 years, is conscious and lucid, but he remains in Sunnybrook Hospital.

"He's stable, but still critical — he's not out of the woods yet," Patricia Humeniuk, Peter's wife, said from Sunnybrook on Monday.

Patricia says the doctors are calling him the miracle guy "because he shouldn't be here" after the number of injuries he survived. "How he ever got out we'll never know. But he's very much alive and doing well," Patricia says.

Peter's ribs were broken, his heart was bruised and his lung was punctured and collapsed after his 1988 Pontiac 6000 was struck by a 1987 Dodge Aries on a foggy evening last Tuesday, around 5:30 pm. The driver of the Aries was taken to Milton District hospital as her injuries were not deemed to be as serious.

Peter seems to be recovering nicely, but on Saturday he had another setback when he began having seizures. Doctors have since discovered he has blood clots in his lungs and they still aren't sure whether he has sustained any brain damage as a result.

"At this point they're still testing," Patricia said, "but he's stable and doing okay right now and hopefully there will be no more setbacks."

Patricia says Peter is a little frustrated about having to be in hospital, and he feels bad for his

family because they have already endured a hardship this year when Patricia's father died Oct. 12. But, she says Peter's mood is generally upbeat and he is determined to win this fight for his life.

Many people have already expressed their good wishes and Peter is aware of the love and support he is receiving from his friends and neighbors in Acton.

"He thanks everybody for their inquiries. Their good wishes are welcome and so are their prayers," Patricia says.

If anyone would like to send a card to Peter wishing him well, you can send it to 16 Ferndale Avenue in Guelph, or simply drop it through the mail slot at Pete's Barber Shop, 27 Mill St. E. The mail at the barber shop is picked up regularly.

## Aitken elected to OAFE

BY DOUG HARRISON  
The Acton Tanner

Acton's Marg Aitken was recently elected to the board of directors of Ontario Agri-Food Education Inc. (OAFE).

A non-profit group based in Milton at the Ontario Agricultural Museum, OAFE provides teachers and schools with information and expertise needed to teach students about modern agriculture.

Aitken represents the Federated Womens' Institute of Ontario, an organization of 20,000 members who promote personal growth.

"I suggested to the institute that someone be involved at the board level and guess who got elected? I guess I walked into it," says Aitken,

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## No danger at Beardmore site

BY RICK SOUTAR  
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A senior manager for Maple Leaf Foods says the Town and citizens of Acton have little to fear from PCBs stored on the site, or fires caused by vagrants and vandals after the plant has been closed down.

Peter Goddard, vice-president in charge of the property, says the buildings will be more secure when they are evacuated than they are

now with tenants in them. "We feel that once the tenants are off the property, the property can be made more secure than it ever has been in the last 10 years," Goddard said.

"We have had problems in the past when people have gone in there at night because tenants have left the doors open."

In a letter to Mayor Miller, Maple Leaf Foods said they intend to keep one of their "long-

time staff members, Dave Glenn, on staff, on a part-time basis in a security role."

The doors and windows will be boarded up and Glenn will be responsible for checking the property daily to ensure it remains secure.

Goddard said the Quonset hut which contains the PCBs is made of steel so it wouldn't burn and that in the event of a fire PCBs

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