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## Stop wanted at Mill St.-Acton Blvd.

### MUNICIPAL DIGEST

Safety complaints and reports of near-misses prompted Acton Councillor Norm Elliott to again press Town staff to investigate replacing the yield sign with a stop sign at Acton Boulevard and Mill Street East.

In April the stop sign was removed and a yield put in its place, much to the chagrin of Acton Councillors and some residents in the area near both M.Z. Bennett and McKenzie-Smith schools.

"We receive calls almost daily from citizens who want that stop sign put back," Elliott said.

"I had a lady call me a week and a half ago, pleading with me to get the stop sign back because a relative of hers was almost involved in a very serious accident at that corner. People, apparently, don't understand what a yield sign is all about," Elliott said.

Town staff will report back on the issue at Monday's meeting.

### Safe school crossings

Acton Councillor Gerald Rennie is satisfied that Acton students can cross major routes safely to get to school.

"I toured the five Acton locations, which have adult crossing guards, and I talked to the guards

and did not find any safety concerns," Rennie said at Monday's General Committee meeting, as Councillors debated a recent review of the Town's adult crossing guards.

"Unlike Georgetown we are not eliminating any guards. In fact the Cobblehill Road — Mill Street location does not warrant an adult guard but we will continue to have a guard there for the 1994-95 school year because of all the construction and heavy trucks in that area," Rennie explained.

That location will be reviewed to see if a guard is warranted once construction is complete.

Despite Rennie's assertion that it was not necessary, Acton Councillor Rick Bonnette convinced councillors to investigate having a guard on duty during the lunch hour at School Lane and Hwy. 25, not just before and after school.

"Maybe there are only three students now using that crossing at lunch, but what if there are 30 or 40 crossing at lunch in September?" Bonnette argued.

"The crossing is near a curve with a lot of speeding cars. Let's leave the door open by agreeing to review the situation in the fall."

Acton has adult crossing guards on duty in the morning and afternoon at Main Street and School Lane, Queen Street and Hwy. 7, Mill Street at Willow, Cobblehill Road at Mill Street West and Eastern Avenue at Mill Street.

### Student signs

Thanks to Acton High students, Acton has two new replacement anti-drinking and driving signs.

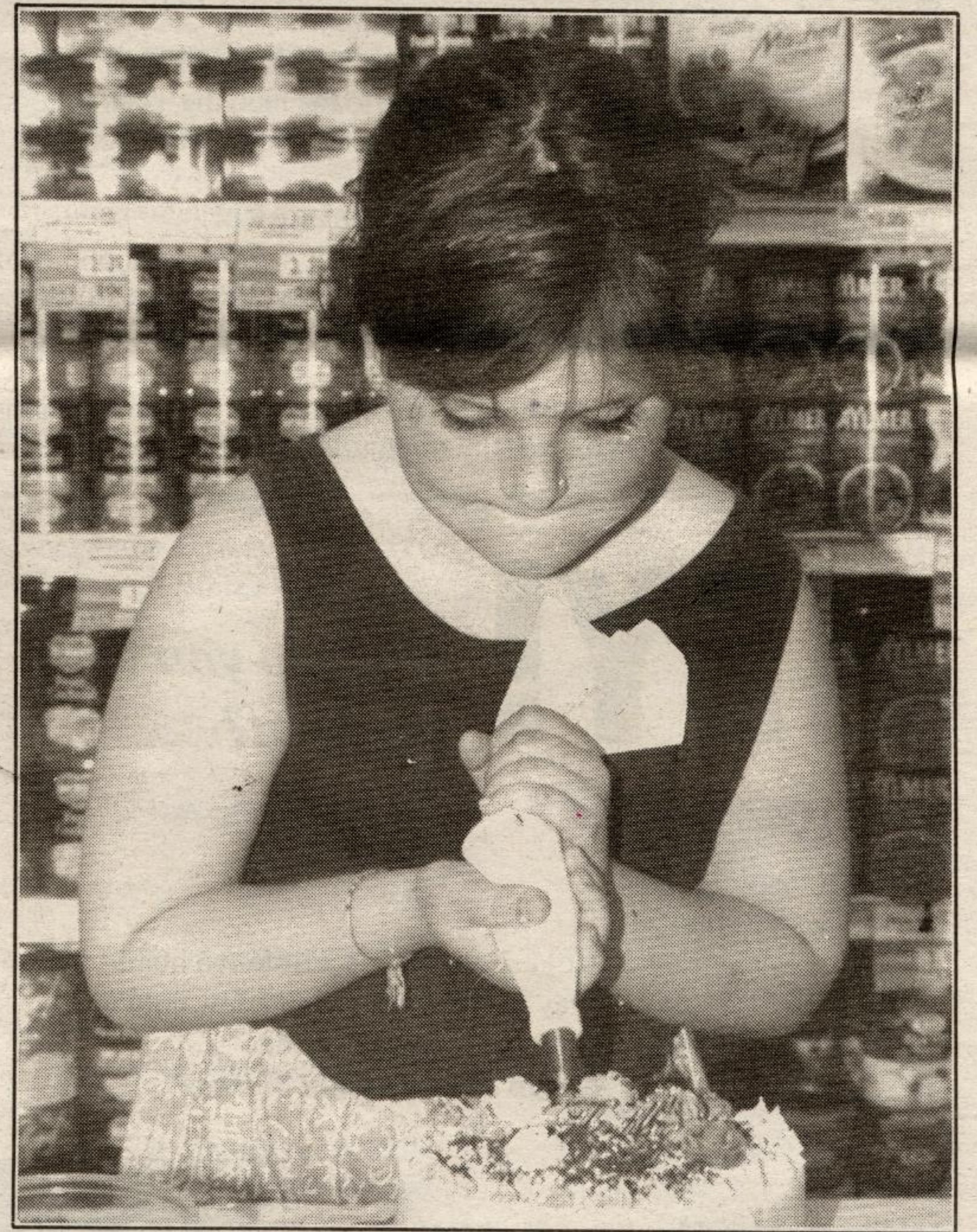
The two existing signs, which are deteriorating, have been replaced with new signs on northbound Hwy. 25 south of town and on Hwy. 7 heading west into town.

Councillor Gerald Rennie convinced the students, who also helped pay for the original signs, to raise money for their replacements.

"The Student Administrative Council raised \$300, half of the cost of the new signs," Rennie said.

"I thought it was appropriate for them to help with the cost because we have had a number of local students killed in alcohol-related accidents in this area in the past few years."

The Town will match the students' money to pay for the signs.



FOR YOU, DAD! Sarah Cabana, 7, was busy last Wednesday preparing a delicious cake for good ol' Dad to eat on Father's Day. The Grade 2 M.Z. Bennett student was one of 20 winners to decorate a cake at Acton IGA. (Doug Harrison photo)

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