



BEWARE THE 'ICE' OF MARCH: Five-year-old Matthew Shaw had a great time last Wednesday shouting out, "It's the first day of spring!" to passersby while his parents Connie and Rob Horning were stuck with the daunting task of shovelling the driveway of their Main Street home. (Karen Wetmore photo)

Bar's activities being eyed by police

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The Acton Tanner

Halton police and the local liquor inspector are keeping a close eye out for possible liquor law infractions at Acton's newest Mill Street bar - Bedroxx.

Information obtained by *The Tanner* indicates that the liquor inspector would "focus some enforcement" at Bedroxx following an inci-

dent earlier this month.

On March 7 numerous Halton police had to "stop a melee of fights" that broke out among some 300 patrons - four bus loads of students who were brought to Bedroxx for a pub night featuring cheap beer and drinks.

The report said that police were forced to clear the bar at one point to prevent further fights.

It also notes that police have contacted the local liquor inspector who was going to focus some enforcement at Bedroxx and compile a history of any infractions.

Bedroxx owner Eugene Seminara of Mississauga, flatly and angrily denied that there was any trouble in his bar on the night in question. "There haven't been any infractions at Bedroxx," Seminara insisted in an interview on Sunday.

"The fights happened outside the bar and were between Acton people, not any of the people we brought in from Guelph," Seminara said as he stressed that police and liquor inspectors have "no problems" with his bar.

"They (Halton Police) just never had this situation with that many people in one place in a bar in downtown Acton. "They came in (that night)

and made sure that I had enough security and asked where all the students came from," Seminara said as he recounted that police told him they had three cruisers outside the bar for their own protection, because, "they said they didn't want to get hurt themselves because they are under-staffed."

Liquor inspector Loraine Simpson refused to comment on the situation at Bedroxx and referred all questions to Barry Tocher, Liquor Licensing Board executive director.

In an interview on Monday, Tocher said he had "no knowledge" of the bar in question but said, "we take a great interest in," allegations like the ones made concerning Bedroxx and that he would be, "looking at it very closely and talking to the police and taking appropriate action, after that."

NEWSSHORTS

Women forming group

A recent survey showed 91 per cent of women in Halton felt speaking with other women who have had similar experiences was the best way to handle stress. This finding was also supported at a community discussion group at the Acton Parent-Child Resource Centre.

To this end, a group of local women hope to form the Acton Women's Association. This group will hold a social and business meeting monthly.

Smaller interest groups and social activities such as Mom & Tots, Couples club, and Pot Luck Lunch Brunch, to name a few, will also meet regularly.

Women of all ages are welcome to a planning and start-up meeting next Tuesday (April 2) at 7:30 pm at the Acton Parent-Child Resource Centre, 19 Willow St. N. For details, call Cathy Gerrow at 853-2574 or Susan Coyne at 847-5520.

Frost cuts flower power

Frost in British Columbia means that the Acton Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society has fewer daffodils to sell this weekend as it kicks off its annual April fundraising campaign.

Local Branch members are sure, however, that the 1,100 bunches they did get will be enough for Acton.

The daffodils, the Society's symbol of hope, will be on sale at several Acton locations tomorrow (Thursday), Friday and Saturday.

The Acton Branch, which officially kicks off its campaign with a volunteer dinner on April 3 is still looking for canvassers for several areas in Acton.

If you can help, call Liz Bailey at 853-0585.

Festival going strong

The Leathertown Festival committee now has 10 members who are working to make this year's festival the best ever. New members and ideas are always welcome.

The group's next meeting is Thursday, April 18 at 7 pm at the boathouse in Prospect Park.

Watch for Star businesses

Several Acton businesses will be advertised in the April 21 edition of the Toronto Star.

Featured will be the Business Improvement Area (BIA), the olde Hide House, Wetherby's, the Doll Emporium, the Needle Gnome, Blue Springs Golf Course and TimBri's.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"We don't have any clients that are using us for the only source of food, but we aren't going to let any Acton area families go hungry."

— Joan Waldie, Acton Foodshare manager, Page 4

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