

# Bower Ave. speeding concern

To the Editor,  
Having only lived in Acton for just over thirteen months, reading your paper, listening to my neighbors and seeing for myself the traffic prob-

lems on Bower St., one can only imagine what will happen when construction commences on Mill St. in mid-April. Having moved from busy Mississauga where

the traffic congestion was the least of my concerns, especially since I choose to live on a street with a post office. What is a concern is the high rate of speed motorists travel on Bower Ave. to cut out 45 seconds off their drive by avoiding Mill St between Monday and Friday.

This issue has been brought up before council with suggestions of adding stop signs and speed bumps on Bower to slow traffic down. The best our representatives could do is post 40 km hour speed signs. Well, what a good job that was, because I'm sure when drivers are doing 80-90 km in what was a 50 km zone, that 40 km sign sure is going to make them think twice.

The other goal was to increase radar and police presence on Bower. Again congratulations council, a Sunday morning before 9 a.m. has never been safer on Bower.

I saw a town mourn, when a child was shot to death this past year, without warning. Council should prepare for the repercussions of what will happen if a citizen, child or otherwise is killed or hurt by a driver on Bower Ave. with a fair warning.  
*Sydney Patricia*



STEWING IT UP: June and Lorne Doberthien settle in for some Irish stew at the St. Patrick's Day dinner at Knox Presbyterian Church last Wednesday, March 17. - Ellen Piehl photo

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## Letters

### Prospect Park soon target of perpetual poop machines

To the Editor,  
You have printed letters of complaint about dog droppings and about cats roaming free and defecating in gardens and sand lots. It is surprising that no one appears to care about the mess made by Canada geese. With spring rapidly approaching, it won't be long until the geese are out again en masse fouling every square inch of public property.

Acton's Prospect Park was once a hub of activity for families during the summer months. Children played there daily; families picnicked, boated and fished. Fairy Lake was safe for swimming all summer long. Now Prospect Park, as well

as the graveyards and school properties is so fouled by goose droppings that one cannot set foot there without stepping in dung. It is a disgrace! It is unacceptable and unnecessary. Other towns have controlled the goose population by treating the eggs to prevent them from hatching, and/or relocating flocks to the northlands where they naturally belong. How is it that Halton Hills allows Acton's properties to be desecrated so?

One would wonder if these same people who complain about dogs and cats are among those who encourage the geese to remain here year round by feeding them? I know those little goslings are "so cute", but they quickly grow into perpetual pooping machines. Perhaps town council, which is so intent on controlling all human activities, could move on the problem of Canada goose overpopulation?  
*Laurie Williams*

### Cancer Society welcomes help from new residents

To the Editor,  
The Acton Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society would like to welcome the many new residents to our town. You have chosen a wonderful community to live in. Acton has been and continues to be a very visible supporter of our cause. Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been raised to help beat this destructive disease through research and support services. Acton has always been in the top ten in Ontario for per capita donations. We are a very generous community. We know that many of you have volunteered in your previous communities and would like you to know that there is an opportunity here for you to

continue to do so. If you would like to volunteer to canvass during the month of April and you live in our wonderful new subdivisions, please give Angela a call at 853-5581. Or, if you would rather help with our daffodil campaign, contact Cathy at 853-1424. If you would like to canvass in other areas call Liz at 853-0585. It's a wonderful way to meet your neighbours! Cancer is a disease that knows no boundaries and has touched us all in some way. Together we can make a difference.  
*Thank you,  
Liz Bailey  
Campaign Chair,  
Acton Branch of the  
Canadian Cancer Society*

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