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Food drive fun

Alexandria Bolton, 7, of the 1st Acton Brownies was loaded down with food Saturday at the Acton Scout Hall as she helped sort donations during the annual Acton Scout/Guide food drive. A total of 7,000 lbs. and \$381 was collected for the Acton FoodShare food bank. *Photo by Yves Desjardins*

Visitor dies after being hit by car

LISA TALLYN
Staff Writer

An elderly man visiting from China died after being struck by a car while crossing Mountainview Rd. S. near Danby Rd. Saturday morning.

Halton Police report Feng Chen Ding, 64, died as a result of his injuries at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre Sunday night.

Ding, from Jilin Province, China, was in Canada on a temporary visa visiting his son who lives in Georgetown.

The accident occurred at about 11:10 a.m.

Police say Ding was crossing Mountainview Rd. S. against the red light from the east side south of the intersection. He crossed over the northbound lanes into the southbound lanes and into the path of a Volkswagen driven by a Georgetown woman, whose name was not released.

Police say the woman attempted to avoid the man by veering into the curb lane, however, Ding continued to cross, and the collision occurred.

Ding was transported to Georgetown Hospital by ambulance and later airlifted to Sunnybrook.

Police are still investigating.

Any witnesses are asked to call Det. Const. Steve Anderson of Halton Regional Police Traffic Reconstruction Unit at 905-878-5511 ext. 2380.

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FRIDAY...

The number of public sector employees in Halton whose annual salary topped \$100,000 last year grew significantly over the previous year. Find out who is on the list Friday.

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Senior left in car was 'in distress', court told

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The two Acton women charged with failing to provide the necessities of life after their 97-year-old relative was found in a sweltering SUV in a mall parking lot last July both pleaded not guilty in Burlington court Thursday.

Bonnie Bouclair, 60, and her daughter Kimberly Bouclair, 36, were charged after their mother/grandmother Phyllis Arnott was found in the vehicle by passersby at Burlington's SmartCentres plaza July 15.

Arnott has since died. The Acton woman died in Georgetown Hospital Feb. 11. Her death was not related to the incident last summer.

At the first day of the women's trial, court heard from Burlington resident Mary Black who said she and family members were walking to their car after having lunch at Kelsey's Restaurant at the plaza when they saw Arnott in the back of the SUV near their car.

Black said Arnott "seemed to be in distress."

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