

Full service menus at arenas in Halton Hills?

Town plans to spend up to \$15,000 to hire a food service consultant to help improve the concession stands at the Town three arenas, including Acton, peaked the interest – and apparently the taste buds – of Acton Councillor Mike O’Leary at a recent council meeting.

The Town has three concession stands in three arenas, including Acton, which generate \$200,000 in revenue – \$50,000 of it gross profit. The consultant will suggest improvements and upgrades in the food that is sold and the actual look of the concessions, in order to increase revenues.

Councillor O’Leary questioned what could be improved at the Town facilities,

beyond the popcorn/ hotdog and coffee machines.

“Are we looking at going to a full-service menu, possibly Japanese food or something along those lines?” he asked. Terry Alyman, the director of Recreation and Parks, said the consultant will look at new trends in food service and packaging, and at the physical

layouts of the concession stands to ensure they are functional and attract customers who will spend more time and money.

O’Leary is not convinced that an improved concession stand will encourage people to “hang around and go on dates there,” but supported hiring the consultant that will report back to council.

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FOOD FOR THE SOUL: Each year, musician residents of the Smallwood Acres campground, west of Acton, stage a jamboree and the admission is an item of non-perishable food which is donated to Acton’s FoodShare foodbank. Sam Lombardo (left) and Dave LaSalle – both of whom call Acton home on the weekends – hoped Saturday’s party would generate 400 pounds of food for Acton’s hungry. – Frances Niblock photo

Almost \$1 million spent on open space

By Frances Niblock

With almost \$1-million spent and budgeted for park/open space development in Acton, the Town has exceeded its goal to provide one acre of parkland or open space for each resident.

Several park projects are underway including pathway work at the Bovis park, replacement of playground equipment at the Danville parkette, sodding and seeding of the new Wallace Street Park and development of the Tanners Drive Park.

At Bovis Park, the \$8,000 project includes replacing the playground and pathway edging and connecting the pathway to an existing path.

The Town will spend \$25,000 to replace the 10-year-old well used but vandalism-plagued playground equipment in the Danville Avenue parkette.

The new all-steel junior playground will include a slide, climbers, activity panels, stepladder and two-seat swing and should be installed by mid-month.

Hospital in Burlington, but hospital officials refused to comment on her location, and both Bouclairs said they have not tried to contact the woman since their release.

“We don’t know where she is. Our lawyer is working on it,” Bonnie Bouclair said on Sunday, adding other reports have told her that her mother has said she wants to come home.

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Mrs. Arnott - where are you?

Where is 97-year-old Phyllis Arnott?

Almost three weeks after the 97-year-old Acton resident was taken to hospital after being found in a sweltering car in the parking lot of a Burlington plaza, no one is able to say where she is.

Arnott’s daughter and granddaughter were charged by Halton police with failing to provide the necessities of

life to the elderly woman who police said was incoherent when discovered in the locked black SUV, which registered 50C.

As a condition of their release Bonnie Bouclair, 60, and Kimberly Bouclair, 36, agreed not to have any contact with Arnott. All three live in Arnott’s Peel Street home.

One newspaper reported that Arnott had been released from Joseph Brant

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