

Police investigation continues

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Pedestrian crossings at Sydenham Road and King Street West, where a 72-year-old woman was struck by a tow truck and died nine days later, were updated four years ago to accommodate pedestrians, particularly seniors, according to city staff.

Hamilton's superinten-

dent of traffic engineering, David Ferguson, said last week a provincial standard estimates pedestrians can walk across a road at a rate of 1.2 metres per second, but the Sydenham and King crossings are timed to assume pedestrians travel slower - between 0.8 and one metre per second - therefore giving pedestrians more time to cross the road.

"We also have an exten-

sive pedestrian crossing advance of 11 and 12 seconds. As a result of the pedestrian advance phase, we do not have left turn phases," Ferguson said. "We do have plans to upgrade the (King and Sydenham) traffic signals this year to include audible pedestrian signals, however the plans for this have been in the works since 2016 and are not a result of this incident."

Dedicated scouts hold drive to achieve highest award

As the capstone community service project for their Chief Scout's Award, 6th Dundas Scouts Matthew Bisbee, 14, and Amy St. John, 13, are organizing a Dundas community food drive on Saturday, March 3 to fill the shelves at the Dundas Salvation Army Food Bank.

The group will be collecting non-perishable food items. Donations can also be dropped off that day at St. Mark's United Church.

In researching and selecting their project, Bisbee and St. John visited several community agencies to learn more about the programs. Their knowledge about the local food bank helped guide the scope and timing of the pair's project.

"At this time of year, food donations drop significantly and we would like



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Amy St. John (left) and Matthew Bisbee hope the community will help fill the shelves at the Dundas Salvation Army Food Bank.

to help fill the shelves at the food banks," said trail-blazer scout St. John.

The teenagers' project is the culmination of their years in scouting and represents their final project in completing the Chief Scout's Award - the highest

award given out at the scout level in Canada.

In addition to the food drive, the two scouts have each completed over 50 hours of volunteer service and developed advanced skills in several outdoor adventure areas.



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