Parade photo correction

A caption on page 5 of the Nov. 26 edition of The Independent & Free Press in a photo gallery from the Santa Claus Parade in Acton incorrectly identified the rider of a horse.

The correct name of the rider is Emily Santa-Luce from the Fallbrook Trail Ranch.

The Independent & Free Press regrets the error.

Town gets final payment for Ice Storm 2013 damages

The Town of Halton Hills has received \$569,000 from the provincial government to help reimburse some of the costs associated with the damage from the 2013

The second and final payment was received earlier this month, and brings the total payment from the province to \$896,000, which is equivalent to 96 per cent of the \$934,000 amount submitted by

the Town for reimbursement. In February, the Town received \$327,000.

"While we would have liked to have received the full amount we had asked for, we are appreciative and thankful for the money we did get to help cover a large portion of the costs of the devastating ice storm the Town incurred," said Mayor Rick Bonnette.

Halton Hills was the cen-

trepoint of the ice storm that wreaked havoc in southern Ontario in Dec. 2013. On the night of Friday, Dec. 20, freezing rain began to fall on Halton Hills. By the afternoon of Sunday, Dec. 22, devastation came to town and stayed for week. More than 30 mm of ice coated trees, lines and buildings with power off to 100 per cent of the Halton Hills Hydro's 23,000 customers. Trees, limbs

and hydro poles were snapped, littering the streets. Some neighbourhoods' power returned later that day, but in other neighbourhoods, chaos was an unwelcome Christmas visitor, and for some, it stretched into the new year.

Throughout 2014, Public Works and Hydro work crews were busy with clearing and replacing the damage caused on public prop-



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