



FIRST PLACE in the junior division of the room decorating contest at the high school was Wally Rowley's environmentalist class. Elves Peter Gillespie, Shawn Van Merkestein, and Dianne Drysdale helped Santa, Eddie Couture.

Who village, Grinch clinch sr. first prize

Who Village and the Grinch Mountain won first prize in the senior room decorating contest this week at the high school.

The masterpiece was the work of a grade 11 Man and Society class under the supervision of J. B. Goring. As indicated, the theme was mimicking the children's Dr. Seuss story of How the Grinch Stole Christmas.

Mountain

Three quarters of the room was mountains. Desks had been shoved together and covered with white paper to form a mountain. At the top of the mountain was the Grinch-Grinch's castle with Mr. Goring, complete with long johns, sitting in it.

At the foot of the mountain was Who Village. Little houses had been made and were clustered around a Christmas tree with a mountain background.

A grade 10 environmentalist class won first place in the junior division.

The room was Wally Rowley's home form and features stuffed animals and different toys lining one wall and several different decorations on the other walls. Santa and his elves were merrily at work as the judges came around and impressed them into naming the room first place.

Judges were teacher Bill Coats, secretary Mrs. Betty Cole and a parent, Mrs. Yvonne Baxter.

Rules

There were a few rules, but not as stringent as in past years. If tape had to be used, it had to be masking tape. There was to be no artificial snow and the rooms had to be cleared by Friday's assembly.

Judging took place on Wednesday.

There were only four rooms in the whole school which did not participate in the contest. Be they Scrooge, or what, they missed out on what appeared to be a lot of fun.



WHO VILLAGE won J. B. Goring's Man and Society class first prize in the senior division of the annual room decorating contest at the high school last week. There was also a mountain with a real live (?) Grinch at the top!

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Take pity on your local firefighters this Christmas—be extra careful to guard against a fire. Firefighters like to spend Christmas at home with their families, not out fighting fires, points out L. Jim Coulson of Milton, chairman of the Halton Region Fire Prevention Committee.

The committee has issued a Christmas tree safety checklist, including several tips for homeowners. "Most people should already know these but they may have forgotten," Chairman Coulson said. Follow these DOs and DON'Ts for a safe, fire-free holiday:

—DO make sure you buy a fresh Christmas tree. Bend the needles—if they bend easily the tree is fresh; but if they are brittle and break easily, the tree is too dry. Choose another.

—DON'T put the tree up in the house or apartment until a week before Christmas. Leave it outside or in a cool place until you are ready to put it up.

—DO make a fresh cut on the butt of the tree, an inch or two from the bottom. This will help your tree soak up moisture from the water reservoir.

—DON'T erect the tree near fireplaces, radiators, TV sets or any other source of heat or electricity. And never

put a tree in a doorway or hallway, blocking an exit.

—DO use only CSA-approved lighting sets. Inspect them before use, for frayed or damaged sockets.

Avoid candles

—DON'T place any candles on or near your tree.

—DON'T leave your children alone in the home even for a minute over the holiday season.

And finally, DO think about fire, wherever you are. Your local firefighter doesn't want to witness any Christmas tragedies either.



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THE DOOR leading into the first place winning room in the senior division of the room decorating contest at the high school.