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## Christmas season arrives with Santa's parade



One of the volunteer firefighters, not in uniform, "bummed a ride" from a Halton Police cruiser in the parade.

Hundreds of people, young and old alike lined Mill St. Saturday to herald the Christmas season with the annual Santa Claus parade.

The Y sponsored event kicks off the festive season in Acton, closely followed by the jolly old man taking orders at the Y afterwards. From here on in his schedule gets busier however.

Halton Hills councillors Terry Grubbe and Ed Wood, and Ron McKnight were the judges for this year's array of floats. For the second year in a row, Indusmin was the overall prize winner. Acton Firefighters placed first in the service club category, and Robert Little School first in the school class. The Acton Sabres won "The Other" category.

Santa's helper Ron Douglas, and elf Bert Robertson, who brought two of Santa's reindeers should be especially mentioned, organizers said. Clowns were Kevin Kenalty, Mike Galen, Mike Baynton, Sheri Logan, Larry Logan, with Mrs. Douglas as supervisor.

Financial supporters were the Y's Men's club, Downtown Businessmen's Association, the Legion Ladies' Auxiliary, Scout and Guide Mothers, and the Bell Telephone Company.



The Georgetown Majorettes were at the Acton Santa Claus parade to twirl their batons.



Stripes were the order of the day for this pair of twin clowns during the parade. Anyone guess their names?



The sun shone brightly, but the fingers of bandsmen in the Georgetown Air Cadets still felt the chill during Saturday's Santa Claus parade.



Saturday was not paper day but this clown used one of The Acton Free Press delivery bags as part of his costume.



Frosty the Snowman was on hand for the parade courtesy of the Optimists Club of Acton.



Robert Little's float depicting a Huron Early Indian Christmas was just one of several school floats.



One of the friendly striped clowns.



The traditional Christmas was adopted as the theme for Indusmin's award winning float.



Teddy bears, reindeer, children and other folk adorned the colorful float made by Acton firefighters for Saturday's parade.



Acton Citizens' Band was well in the vanguard for Santa's annual parade through town.



Faces were a familiar sight at the parade.



Air Cadets from Kitchener and Georgetown sent bands to play their best in the Santa Claus parade.