



**'SIGNED' SONGS**

There was a special, interesting treat for the audience at Maple Avenue Baptist Church's annual Christmas family service last Wednesday night. Valerie Mason demonstrated how deaf residents can enjoy Christmas carols and other music as the "signed" Silent Night, Holy Night. The music was "interpreted" to her by her parishioner Lorene Barton during the service. Grant Moller played the piano for Mrs. Mason in a trial run just before the service got underway.

(Herald photos by Chris Aagaard)

**Letters aid local CNIB campaign**

Thanks to generous support from Georgetown residents, the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB), reports that local fund-raising is up about 150 per cent.

Normally, the CNIB collects about \$1,200 from Georgetown to pay for services which actually cost about \$7,000 and are used by 16 vision-impaired residents locally.

Some 7,000 letters were sent out to residents in the Georgetown area inviting them to participate in this year's campaign. CNIB official Victor Irvine told

The Herald earlier that if all the letter recipients contributed the cost of three cups of coffee (\$1.25), the local campaign goals would be met.

If you wish to make a contribution in keeping with the holiday spirit, the CNIB offices are located at 1125 Dundas St. East in Mississauga.



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**Film on cults begins new series**

With the Christmas season over for another year, must we also forget the true meaning?

If we keep the Christmas spirit all year, the love of Christ will shine through us as brightly as that first Christmas star. We can not pack away the love we have experienced with the boxes and wrappings of the season.

The giving of gifts commemorates a great occasion, and each time we look at or use that gift, we should remember the giver. AND the occasion for the gift.

Remember the New Year's Eve or Watch



**IN THE CHURCHES**

By Bob Olivier

**Acton developers plan water study**

As well as getting prepared for a secondary plan study in the new areas of developable land within the expanded Georgetown urban boundary, town council wants to get on with planning matters in Acton.

Among a series of recommendations adopted last week, council has supported a proposed planning study funded by major developers in Acton's east end.

The developers, Goldfan Holdings Ltd., Kesmark Ltd. and Rinarin Ltd., have agreed to conduct a water and storm water management study for the area, which covers about 150 acres.

While the region has proposed a program to implement the Acton urban boundary, the developers hope that they will be allowed to proceed with their water study rather than wait for implementation. Councilors and developers have argued that the implementation study, which

would concentrate on what amount of serviced and partially serviced land can be included in the new urban boundary, will have little effect on the residential goals of the Acton East developments.

The Acton East study is likely to include a suggestion of how to reduce traffic along Churchill Road when construction eventually

starts on the developments; establish residential "density" to conform with the amount of waste the local sewage treatment plant can handle; find an outlet for storm water and solve the water supply issue to "the region's satisfaction".

The region is currently reviewing the developers' bid to be treated separately from the implementation study.

Consider a deeper study of the scriptures this year. As I was preparing this column, I heard that one local church is doing just that. They got the jump on me there, but it shows that the idea is a good one.

Possibly a married or young people's group within the church could meet to consider a certain book or type of study. Help is available, some mentioned here in past columns, more available at The Hope Chest or other Christian Book Store.

Remember Christ was born, and grew to manhood. As Christians, we must also grow spiritually, and God's word will show how.

Mountainview Baptist Church will host a film, "Cult Explosion", at 8 p.m. next Wednesday (Jan. 5). There is a counterfeit gospel, a counterfeit Jesus, and a counterfeit Holy Spirit and former members of groups connected with this cult worship will share with you through this film.

The film will be a

kick-off of a series of Wednesday evening sessions based upon the principle that informed understanding is the basis of

true tolerance in a pluralistic society. Particular emphasis will be placed on the characteristics of such groups as the Mor-

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