

LETTER FROM IN FOCUS

Christmas isn't even here yet and I can't wait for it to be over.

Wait, that didn't come out right. I love Christmas. I really do. I love the lights, I love the decorations and I love how happy everyone is around this time of year. Yay for Christmas!



Ok, now that we've established that I'm not a Grinch, I'll explain what I meant by that first line. The reason I can't wait for Christmas to be over is because the day after Christmas is one of my most favourite days of the year: Boxing Day.

Boxing Day shopping is a Lefebvre Family Tradition. We get up at the crack of dawn (ok, it's really around 7:30 a.m., but it feels like the crack of dawn after all the turkey and celebrating the day before), pack ourselves into the van and head to the mall. We do pick up a few items while we're out, but we mostly just people watch. You will not believe how badly behaved people can be when it comes to scoring good deals.

Last year, we witnessed two people get into a profanity-laced shouting match over a parking spot. One year, my mom was jokingly showing me a bottle of NASCAR-sponsored cologne when a lady grabbed it right out of her hand. Then there was the year when a pedestrian slipped on some ice as he crossed the road and grabbed onto our van for support. My dad was convinced the poor guy was trying to carjack us.

So while I am looking forward to Christmas, I really can't wait for the day after. If you're thinking of heading out to the shops this Boxing Day, please remember to behave yourself: you never know who is watching!

And not to brag or anything, but this edition of In Focus is perhaps our most eclectic issue of the year. It's the only place you'll find pictures from Halloween, Remembrance Day, Santa Claus parades and much more all in one convenient location. So sit back, relax and revel in the varied events we've put together in this edition!

Happy December!

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United Way of Halton Hills Holiday House Tour



The warm glow of natural wood gives a magical warmth to the Buck residence on Main Street in Glen Williams.



Up on the third floor of the majestic Collie residence on Mountain Street, Glen Williams, visitors are greeted by a magical room with a tremendous view of the Credit River.



Visitors to the Snow/Hawkins residence on Prince Street, Glen Williams, experience the quiet traditional beauty of a home from years gone by.

Six families in Georgetown and Glen Williams decked the halls and threw open the doors to their homes on November 19 for the annual United Way of Halton Hills Holiday House Tour. Hundreds of people picked up holiday decorating ideas at the homes then made their way to Knox Presbyterian Church in Georgetown for a luncheon and décor demonstrations. The Holiday House Tour is a major fundraiser for the United Way of Halton Hills. Visit www.haltonhills.unitedway.ca for more information.

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