

CHIMNEY FIRE: A fire in the chimney, possibly started by a wood stove, spread into the rafters and insulation in the ceiling of a garage on Highway 7 at Silver Creek just after 2 p.m. last Friday. Firefighters contained the damage, estimated at \$10,000, to the roof area. – Frances Niblock photo



Comrades,

Well, 2011 now is in the past and here we are in a New Year 2012. I wonder what most of us have done to make a New Year's resolution. (Grin)

New Year's Eve was sure a blast and with a sell out crowd every table was filled. It was so nice to see everyone enjoying the evening and dancing the night away. A special thank you goes out to Tony Rouse, the entertainment chair, for organizing the evening. We would also like to thank Kathy Hall for decorating the hall, and Steve Richardson and Connie Bath for organizing the food.

Everyone could not wait to ring in the New Year with the *Brown's Garage* as 2011 comes to a close and a New Year has just

If you missed this year's Gala, then you might want to make plans for 2013. Every year gets better a Life Member of our

and what better way to celebrate the evening, and enjoy a free bus ride home, for local residents.

We look forward to seeing everyone next year.

The president's Levy was held on January 1. It was filled with entertainment by Jesse and Troy doing karaoke as members of the branch joined in. Their voices were great – could they ever sing. I think we are very blessed to have such great talent at the Branch. Membership with the help of the president drew three early bird winners. Their dues will be paid in 2013 by the Branch. Congratulations go out to Tara Service Hymers, Lucy Synnott and John Wagg.

#### **Legion Ladies Auxiliary Notes**

The LA members would like to express their condolences to Eva Cutting's family. Eva was Auxiliary with 36 years of service. Eva held the position of President for two years and 13 years as banquet convenor and cook. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.

The year 2011 has finally passed, and we are hopefully off to a good year for 2012 for the LA and you and your family. Here is what is coming up for the month of January for sports. Please see Norma if you wish to participate.

January 7: Zone Euchre Bramalea, January 14: Zone Darts Streetsville, January 21: Zone Cribbage Cooksville, January 28: Qualifying District Darts Georgetown.

To those members who are under the weather, we hope you soon will be on the mend. Don't forget our general meeting Thursday, January 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Happy New Year to you

Yours in Comradeship Peggy Harris LA President Branch 197, Acton

#### CO alarm

Saturday's power failure led to a carbon monoxide activation call at a Division Street residence at 1:10 p.m. The homeowner had replaced the battery in the detector after the power failure and it needed to be reset by firefighters who checked the house for CO and found no trace.

### Halton Police remind residents of correct phone number for service

The Halton Regional Police Service was recently made aware of an error in the contact phone number for the Service when utilizing the Google' search engine.

The main phone number is wrong and should be 905-825-4777.

The public are reminded there are some instances where a non-emergency incident can be reported in person at either our police reporting centre or any of our police divisions. Some non-emergency incidents can be reported online and the public is encouraged to visit our website at www. haltonpolice.ca, for a complete understanding of these reporting provisions. As always, if you have an emergency, call 9-1-1.

The Halton Regional Police Service apologizes for any inconvenience this has caused the general public and has been assured 'Google' is working towards making the necessary correction.

# Report 5

#### **Arching wires**

Acton firefighters responded to two calls about arching hydro lines just after 10 last Friday night. They did not find any problems in the Highway 25/22 Side Road area, but they secured the area at Highway 7 and Wordenview until Halton Hills Hydro arrived to deal with the arching wires.

#### No CO

Fumes from paint thinner and varnish being used in the basement of a Cobblehill Road residence are believed to have set off a carbon monoxide detector at 8:30 last Wednesday night. No trace of the deadly gas was detected and the homeowner was advised to replace the detector if it sounded again.

# Waste calendar coming

Halton Region's 2012 Waste Management Guide and Collection Calendar, which has everything vou need to know about waste collection, will be delivered to homes starting January 13.

The Calendar is effective February 1, and includes a schedule for Blue Box, GreenCart, garbage, bulk and yard waste collection, information on the Halton Waste Management Site and dates for 2012 special events such as Halton's popular Compost Give

The calendar once again features Halton's talented young artists who were selected as the Calendar Cover Art Contest winners. This year marked the fourth

annual art contest that ran in the fall of 2011 asking children from kindergarten to grade eight to create the 2012 calendar cover using the theme of "you are the difference - reduce, reuse, recycle." One entry was selected from each local municipality, and the Halton Hills winners are Michelle Kozdras and Gabrielle Dimech.



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