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TEAM OF THE WEEK: Team members (front, from left, are: Goalies Landon See, Gianni Vozikas. Second row: Branden Peet, Josh Parkinson, Dylan McKill, Luke Evans. Back row: Assistant coaches William Dolomont, Steve Gardner, Keegan Darragh, Owen Dolomont, Brendan Gardner, Hunter McNair, Gavin Thibeault, Alex Vandamme, Darrin Norton, Michael Hutchison, Dylan Doobay, Jared Montgomery, Landon Legere, assistant coach Dave Spencer, head coach Darren Dolomont. Absent: Manager LeeAnn McNair.

Thunder champs in Hespeler

up just four goals over five games, the Halton Hills minor bantam A Thunder claimed the championship at the 50thannual Hespeler Olympics Christmas Minor Hockey Tournament, defeating Owen Sound 2-0 in the final.

The Thunder had little trouble to begin the tourney, defeating Orillia 4-0,

Recording three shutouts and giving Hespeler 3-1 and Centre Wellington 2-0 before skating to a 3-3 draw with the same Owen Sound squad Halton Hills faced in the championship game.

As finalists at the Regional Silver Stick Playdowns in Owen Sound in November, the local minor bantams received an invitation to play in the International Silver Stick tourney in Newmarket this weekend.

Academic award for Deakin-Poot

The Ontario Hockey League announced its Academic Players of the Month for December last week and Guelph Storm sophomore forward Nick Deakin-Poot is the Midwest Division s recipient.

The 17-year-old native of Georgetown is currently studying university level English, Kinesiology and Religion courses at Guelph's Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Secondary School and

has maintained an 87 per cent average in his studies.

Nick is a conscientious and disci-

plined student with a great attitude, said Storm academic advisor Coleen

His teachers have been very complimentary of his commitment to his studies as well as his positive outlook. The former Christ the King Secondary School student has a goal and four assists over 24 games this season. **NICK DEAKIN-POOT**

At 6-foot-4 and 208 pounds, he was Guelph's third-round

(54th overall) pick in the 2015 OHL Priority Selection and led the Halton minor midget AAA Hurricanes to the OHL Cup.

HHFD faces off vs. Hockey Heroes Sunday

A few dozen tickets remain for what is usually a sell-out crowd for the annual fundraising contest in Georgetown this Sunday between the Halton Hills Fire Department and the Pro Hockey Heroes, who ll have a number of former National Hockey League stars in their lineup.

All proceeds from the event will go to Cancer Assistance Services Halton Hills.

Game time Sunday at the Mold-Masters SportsPlex is 1:30 p.m.

Several former Toronto Maple Leafs are slated to suit up for the Pro Hockey Heroes, including Craig Muni, Bob McGill, Gary Leeman, goalie Mark Laforest, Tom Fergus, Darryl Shannon, Dave McLlwain, Mike Krushelnyski and 60-year-old Jack Valiquette.

Others expected to skate Sunday include Bernie Nicholls, who had 70 goals for the L.A. Kings in 1988-89, John Ogrodnick and Steve Rice.

Tickets will be \$28 at the door, or call ahead for family discounts at 1-888-777-9793 or visit the website www.prohockeyheroes.com

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Registration: Thursday, January 26, 2017 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Georgetown Market Place (Near Sport Chek)

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