

LEGION NEWS

By: David Maloney P.R.O. ~ Branch 197

Community Living North Halton held their Christmas Party at the Legion last Saturday, December 9—CLNH is known for Providing Support and Services to Children and Adults with Special Needs in Halton Hills and Milton—With 256 guests and several special menu requirements, this presented the Ladies Auxiliary (LA) with quite a challenge. The ladies asked for help from their Legion counterparts, and got six male volunteers to join them in serving meals and washing dishes. The combined effort resulted in a successful evening all round. Teamwork at its best. A big thank

you to all the volunteers involved.

This past Sunday, the Legion and LA held the annual Children's Christmas Party. We would like to thank the cooking crew for the excellent hot dogs and delicious home-made fries, and the ladies who made the pop corn. Also thank you to Santa and Santa's elves for handing out the gifts. It was a great party for the children who really had fun, and we had Sneezy the clown entertaining. A special thanks to the guys who picked up the kids' toys in Toronto, thus saving us the delivery fee.

This Saturday, December 16 will be our annual

Turkey Roll. Everybody is welcome to come and join in the fun and games which start at 2 p.m. There are lots of Turkeys to be won.

There was a terrific response to our Poster Contest this year, as a result we will be holding a poster awards ceremony Wednesday, December 20 at 7 p.m. in the ladies' lounge for the winners of our Remembrance Day Poster and Literary Contests. Students should have received letters from their school informing them that they have won a prize. We look forward to seeing the students and their families.

Don't forget to get your tickets for the New Year's Eve bash. Now on sale at the main bar.

Check the notices behind the bar for upcoming

Performing at "Miracle on Main"

By: Alex Hilson

Robert Little Public School has had a busy week preparing for the Holidays. First thing Monday morning, a bus carrying 36 members of their Glow Choir and Me to We Club travelled to Downtown Milton for the Tiger Jeet Singh Foundation's "Miracle on Main Street". All the kids and teachers took a box of donated presents that will support McMaster Children's Hospital, Halton Women's Place, the Salvation Army, Halton Learning Foundation and the Hospital for Sick ChilThe Glow Choir performed for the hundreds of attendees, but not without challenges. The sound system wouldn't work with the audio tracks they'd brought. "My choir kids are so amazing that this did not faze them," said teacher and choir director Marie Burland. "They said they could sing without the music and they did."

The kids then had time for free hot chocolate, amusement rides—including a Ferris wheel—and to meet dignitaries.

"Miracle on Main" was just the start for Robert Little. They also had their Primary Holiday Concert on Wednesday and are performing at youth stage group Mediaeval Productions rendition of "Scrooge: A Christmas Carol" this Friday at the Acton Town Hall Centre.

"Preparing for so many events in such a short period of time is quite challenging, since I am running one and sometimes two practices a day during Nutrition Breaks to prepare Junior and Mini Everybody Dance Clubs and Glow Choir members for their performances," added Burland.

MSB students give to the Upper Credit Humane Society

By: Alex Hilson

Grade six students at Mackenzie-Smith Bennett Public School held a month long drive for the Upper Credit Humane Society (UCHS). Donations of blankets, food, toys, chewies, and towels were taken to UCHS on Friday.

Lily Haynes was one of the students who started the drive. "I always liked helping animals, and I always wanted donate to the Humane Society. And I just thought it would be good to do something right before Christmas so that animals have Christmas presents, too," said Lily. "I'm really happy that people did donate."

Getting things donated from students, teachers and parents wasn't that hard, despite the abundance of other causes at this time of year. Lily's teacher, mother and friends were all instrumental in getting it started.

Stacey Bale, one of the teachers who supported the kids, learned about the drive the same day the students decided to do it. "She came in super excited and just wanted to help others and help the animals," said

Bale. "She did everything. Her and her sister, Abby Haynes, kind of spear headed it, and then she got all the other girls in the class joined in. And they stayed in at recesses, and they made the signs and they got the boxes and put the boxes out. They got donations right away. I know the animals will appreciate it."

The Upper Credit Humane Society is a registered charity that helps over 300 animals a year, and donations are vital to make it happen.

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