

FIRE REPORT

Monday, January 1

At 12:32 a.m. firefighters responded to an unknown odour on Victoria Ave. in Acton. On scene, fire staff met with the homeowner who thought they could smell natural gas in the area of the furnace. Using detectors, fire staff found zero readings. The homeowner was advised to contact a service company to look at the furnace.

4:18 a.m. firefighters responded to the report of a vehicle fire on Kingham Rd. in Acton. Upon arrival, fire staff found the vehicle fully involved. Fire staff quickly extinguished the fire and, using a thermal imaging camera, ensured the fire had not spread to the building it was parked beside.

Tuesday, January 2

At 6:10 a.m. firefighters responded to the report of a single-vehicle motor vehicle collision in the area of Hwy. 7 and Crewson's Line. On scene, fire staff removed the driver from the vehicle and provided patient care until Halton Regional Paramedics arrived.

Wednesday, January 3

At 1:48 a.m. firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide (CO) activation on Kingham Rd. in Acton. On scene, fire staff entered the home and using detectors found readings of 40 ppm. After investigating, fire staff found the furnace to be the source of the CO. The furnace was shut down and the homeowner was advised to not use the furnace until it had been professionally serviced.

2:10 p.m. firefighters re-

sponded to the report of a tree on fire on Park Ave. in Acton. On scene, fire staff found a very large hollowed out tree burning in the dog park. On scene, fire staff extinguished the fire and then cut the tree down with permission from Public Works.

Thursday, January 4

At 8:51 a.m. firefighters responded to the report of a two-vehicle motor vehicle collision in the area of Fifth Line and 25 Sideroad in Acton. On scene, fire staff extricated the driver from the vehicle and provided patient care until Halton Regional Paramedics arrived. Fire staff stabilized the second vehicle.

9:15 a.m. firefighters responded to a public assist in the area of Tanners Dr. and Queen St. in Acton. While enroute to Acton, fire staff came across a pick-up truck in the Tanners Drive/Queen Street intersection that had lost a

load of metal wire ties that fell out of the truck as a result of the truck's tailgate that became dislodged. Fire staff provided traffic control and assisted with the reloading of the ties into the back of the pick-up truck.

Friday, January 5

At 3:02 a.m. firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide (CO) activation on Sprowl St. in Acton. On scene, fire staff met with the homeowner who advised that a service technician confirmed that they were having furnace issues. Fire staff entered the home and using detectors found approximately 1-2 ppm in the house. No further concerns.

1:56 p.m. firefighters responded to an ambulance assist on Fourth Line. Halton Regional Police and Halton Regional Paramedics were on scene upon arrival. Fire staff assisted with patient care and cleared the scene.

Halton Hills Council thanks Firefighters

By: Vivien Fleisher

At the January 15 council meeting, Halton Hills Ward 2 councillor Brian Lewis went out of his way to acknowledge and praise Halton Hills firefighters, who, despite having been up beyond the wee hours Saturday night battling a stubborn house fire in the rural area, made it out to the rink Sunday afternoon to do battle of a different sort.

Competing in the "Pro Hockey Heroes" event at Mouldmasters Arena a mere six hours later, the firefighters were there for the 11th year to raise money for the Halton Hills Cancer Assistance Services (CASHh) organization, which "helps cancer patients with transportation, emotional and group support, chemo hats and wigs, as well as meals, child care, palliative care and more" according to the Pro Hockey Heroes website.

The Pro Hockey team featured Darryl Shannon, Ric Nattress, John Ogrodnick, Bernie Nicholls, Gary Leeman, Tom Fergus and Tommy Williams—all former

NHL hockey heroes. This was their last game of the season, ending on a high note Lewis said. The participating fifteen firefighters lost the game, "not due to the substandard coaching of Mayor Bonnette, CAO Marshall and Fire Chief deHooge... the game was fun to participate in." But the real winner Lewis added was "CASHh, with the efforts of our Halton Hills Firefighters and the Halton Woodcarving Club, CASHh received over \$6000 yesterday alone. So, I stand on behalf of the Mayor and all councillors, and all who participated a sincere thank you, but in particular the men and women of the Halton Hills Fire Department."

Mayor Bonnette noted that a lot of the firefighters didn't get finished with the fire until 7 a.m. yet made it to the rink at noon. He couldn't resist pointing out that the game was quite close this year in a bid to salvage his coaching reputation. However, Councillor Lewis quipped that secret practice likely made for the respectable showing.

By: Julie Conroy

HILLSVIEW REPORT

On Tuesday, January 9, 72 members and guests—including seven members of the Hillsview Band, Georgetown—attended the Birthday Tea. Everyone enjoyed the music and singing. We were celebrating birthdays in November, December and January.

59 members and guests enjoyed the Chinese New Year dinner on Monday, January 15. Dr. J had us all up dancing. The next social dinner will be on Monday, February 12 just before Valentine's Day.

The Spanish lessons are continuing for another 10 weeks, and the new 10-week conversational French lessons are starting on January 29. The usual

rules apply. Sign up and pay if you are interested.

Saturday evening Bingo is on Saturday, January 20 at 7 p.m. Everyone seems to be enjoying the new format and the prizes are larger.

Cathy Forbes had the only mooner while playing Bid Euchre last week.

Are you looking forward to adding a little sunshine into your life? The January 23 horticulture class is making a miniature garden in a teacup, and the last in the series on January 30 is pressed flower art.

The book club will meet on Wednesday, January 24 and be discussing "The Imposter Bride" by Nancy Richler. According to

the bio on the back of the book it says it is a jewel of a book about a bride who comes to Canada with a stolen identity after surviving living in wartime Europe.

The Annual General Meeting is on Tuesday, March 27 at 1:30 p.m. If Heather Beaumont—our Volunteer Coordinator—phones to ask you if you are willing to take a more active role at Hillsview, please consider it. It takes many dedicated volunteers and staff to make the Centre as vibrant and inclusive as it is. Over the past few years we have added many new pro-

grams and listened to your requests, especially when offering town programs. E.g. the weekly "Pay as you Go" programs—rather than having to sign up for a specific number of weeks.

If you haven't paid your membership for 2018, your name has been removed from the 50/50 drum. Once again there was no winner for the weekly 50/50. The amount to be won next Friday should be around \$550.

Friday lunch on January 26 will be a variety of sandwiches plus dessert, tea and coffee followed by Bingo at 1:15 p.m.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ACTON AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Annual Meeting to be held on **Saturday January 20, 2018** starting at 9:30 a.m. in the boardroom of the Dufferin Rural Heritage Community Centre.

The first portion of the meeting is open to the public and anyone who might be interested in becoming a new member. Come out and see what we are all about.

After the break the meeting is open to current members only. The purpose of the second portion will be to receive the Financial Statements for 2017 and for the Election of Officers and Directors.

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