



EARLY CHRISTMAS GIFT: The Acton Rotary Club presented a \$500 cheque last Tuesday at TimBri Teahouse to the Acton Firefighters for the recent Santa Claus parade. From left: Rotarians Steven Shamaoun, Fred Gordon, Brian Robertson and Bob Currie. (Doug Harrison photo)



ROTARIAN OF THE YEAR: Bill Beaton, far right, was presented with the Acton Rotary Club's 1995 Rotarian of the Year award last Tuesday at TimBri Teahouse. He is joined by other award winners. From left: Mac Sprowl holds a gold pen for his 40 years of service, while Larry Rigney was given a gavel as past-president. Peter Van Dam is Rotary Club president. (Doug Harrison photo)

Holiday office hours

LEGION NEWS

BY MIKE MANUEL
Branch 197 P.R.O.

Ticket sales for the New Year's Eve all-inclusive party are on sale at the Branch for only \$60 per couple. Where else could you go and have everything paid for in the price of admission only? Why, there's even a bus service available to get you back home. Book your tickets early!

The Branch business hours for the holidays will be: Dec. 23, 12 to 7 pm; Dec. 26, 12 to 6 pm; Dec. 30, 12 to 7 pm; Jan 1, 1 to 5 pm.

The President's Levee on Jan. 1, 1996 will be hosted by President Frank Koen, who invites all Branch members to come and enjoy the food and entertainment he has arranged. If you have not paid your 1996 dues, Comrade Chris Allen will be there to collect them.

The Super Bowl Party on Jan.

28 should be a good day, what with an open dart tournament to precede the football game. The Branch will be open at 11 am for those interested in darts. We will be supplying food throughout the day and a meal at the football game's half-time.

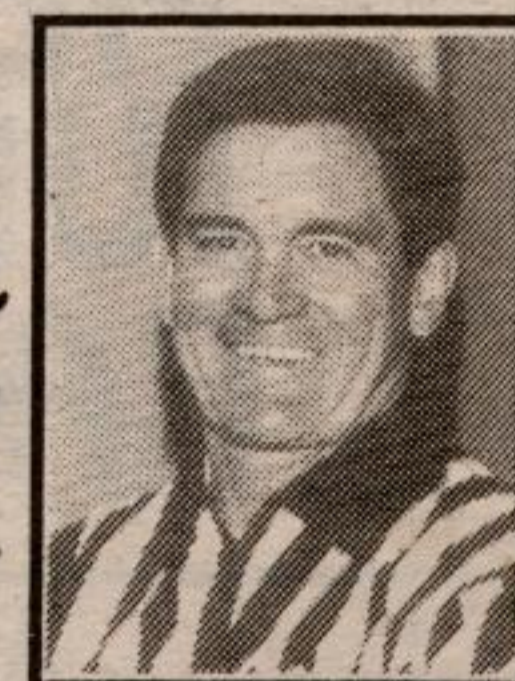
For parents whose children were unable to attend the Children's Christmas party last Sunday, and if your child's name was registered on the gift list, you will be able to pick up their present at the Branch for the next two weeks.

Our next general meeting will be Jan. 8 at 8 pm.

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The Panama Canal: A exciting and memorable journey

(The foregoing is the first part of the journey of our annual group cruise, this time a 10 day junket on Holland America's MAASDAM which was highlighted by passing through the Panama Canal.)

First opened in 1914, the Panama Canal is still listed as one of the great engineering achievements of all time. It is a 50 mile long waterway connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans saving many thousands of miles of travel. We've flown over it in a small plane and it is marvelous to view from the sky, but traveling the route through a series of locks to Caton Lake in the middle and then taken back down at the other end via the next set of locks. A full day's journey another thrilling must do on the vacation travel schedule!

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Fort Lauderdale is still one of our most popular locations in all of Florida. It is also a great spot to get onto your cruise ship, plus lots to see and do beyond their very enjoyable famous Beach. They have spent millions in restoration and to further develop their Riverwalk; you can visit the Rio Vasta area where you can see both old and new style Florida home; Las Olas Boulevard to see all the 'plush' homes of the area, but our favourite is a cruise on intracoastal the waterway. An Everglades tour is also very interesting to see and learn about the natural wonders of south Florida.

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Grand Cayman also has a famous beach, the Seven Mile Beach, but is probably more noted for its banking service for those off-shore investors - some 500 banks! You can also go to Hell there, an actual settlement just outside George Town! But much to see, do and enjoy. Snorkeling right off the shore is remarkable with colourful fish and coral, and a visit to the Grand Sea Turtle Farm is a pleasant experience to see many sizes and actually hold a big one.

Be a hero for the holidays

The town of Acton will be holding its quarterly Red Cross blood donor clinic next Thursday, Dec. 28 at the Acton Legion from 5 to 8:30 pm. Baby-sitting is available. Please bring your donor card or your photo I.D. Eligible donors are between the ages of 17 and 71. Please take a few moments to give the gift of life.

For more information, please call Joe at 853-4686, or Julia at 853-4896.

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