

## Christmas Activities at your local Esquensing churches

by Kim Pickering

Hillcrest United Church will be hosting an advent activity on December 2, making drawstring cloth bags filled with school supplies for the Mennonite Relief Fund. They will host a Christmas service on December 23 at 11 a.m. and a Christmas Eve Service on December 24 at 8 p.m. Hillcrest is located at Trafalgar Rd and 5 Sideroad. For more information call 905-878-4872.

Bethel United Church will host a Congressional Potluck lunch after Sunday school presentations on December 9. On Christmas Eve a candlelight carol service will be held at 6:30 p.m. The Christmas Day Service will be at 9:30 a.m. Christmas Day, Bethel is located on Trafalgar Rd. near Britannia Rd. For more information call 905-878-4872.

The New Life Pentecostal

Church will host Youth Musical-God of Wonders on December 9 at 6:30 p.m. Kids Praise Presentation Angels Aware will be held on December 16 at 6:30 p.m. A candlelight service will begin at 7 p.m. on Christmas Eve. The Christmas Day service commences at 10 a.m. New Life Pentecostal is located at 6620 Third Line. For more information call 905-878-3358.

Boston Presbyterian Church of 3rd Line (north of 5 Sideroad) will host its annual candlelight service and pageant on December 16 at 7:30 p.m. A traditional carol and lesson service will be held on December 24 at 7 p.m. For more information call 905-875-2804. Omagh Presbyterian Church (Britannia Rd) has amalgamated its Christmas services with Boston Presbyterian Church.

## North Halton Happenings

### DECEMBER 4

A Public Information meeting on the Guelph Line reconstruction is scheduled from 5:30-8 p.m. at the Nassagaweya Community Centre, Brookville. The reconstruction will affect 15 to 20 Sideroad. The project is slated for 2004.

### DECEMBER 13

Rockwood's Parade of Lights will begin at 7 p.m. in the village of Rockwood. Come out to see unique farm vehicles decorated for the Christmas season and paraded through town. Now in its ninth season, it's an event not to be missed.

### DECEMBER 11

The Nasagaweya Historical Society hosts its Christmas Potluck at Ebenezer United Church. For information call Eli Daigle at 905-854-2628.

### DECEMBER 16

Ebenezer United Church will host its Annual Candlelight Service at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome.

### DECEMBER 16

The Campbellville Santa Claus Parade will commence at 1:30 p.m. in the village of Campbellville. Perfect for the young and the young at heart. Children are invited back to the Lion's Hall following the parade to have a chance to meet Santa.

### JANUARY 17

The Campbellville Ratepayers Citizen's Group will meet in the Campbellville Lion's Hall from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. All citizens are invited, public input is welcome.



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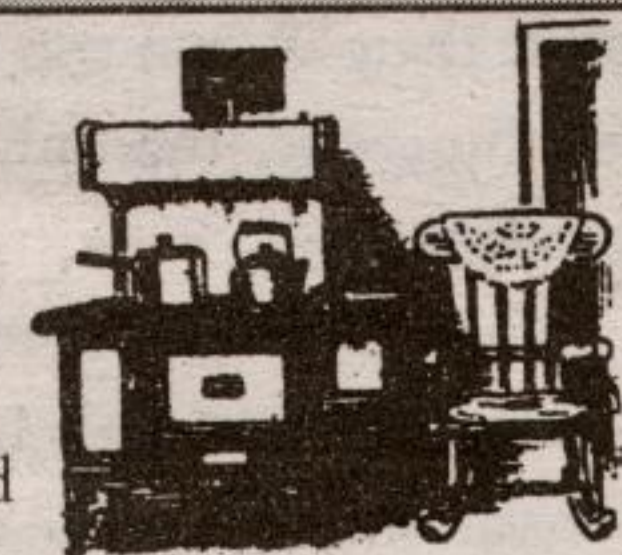
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## Keeping the home fires burning

### Glenda's Kitchen Kapers

by Glenda Benton



As I sit down to write the last Kapers for 2001 and think about Christmas recipes, it is hard to imagine Christmas is just a little over a month away with all the beautiful weather we have been enjoying. As usual I try to come up with a new way to serve left over turkey. This is a recipe from one of my public school chums so it is not really new but quite tasty if you like pineapple as I do.

#### HOLIDAY SPECIAL TURKEY CASSEROLE

2 eggs, slightly beaten  
2 cans cream of chicken soup  
1 can cream of celery soup  
1 1/4 cup milk  
2 tbs. finely minced onion  
1/4 tsp pepper  
4 cups cooked turkey cut in bite-sized pieces  
2 cups crumbled potato chips  
20 oz. can drained pineapple chunks  
1/2 lb. side bacon, crisp, drained well and crumbled

Mix soups, eggs, milk and onion to make sauce. Alternated layers of potato chips, turkey and pineapple. End with chips and pour soup mixture over this before last layer of potato chips. Garnish with cashews. Bake in 350 oven for 30 minutes. (I add a little more onion and cook it in smaller casserole dishes but it makes a good sized casserole for a cover).

1/2 cup butter  
1/4 tsp salt  
1/2 cup brown sugar

1 can Eagle brand condensed milk  
1/2 cup lemon juice  
1 tsp lemon rind

Spread 2/3 of crumb mixture in bottom of square cake pan. Mix the milk and lemon rind and juice together. Spread on top of crumb base. Spread the remainder of the first mixture lightly over the filling and bake in 350 oven for 20 minutes.

This filling can also be spread over the whole graham crackers, placed in the pan and another layer of crackers placed on top. My Mom then used to put icing on top. Doesn't get baked.

I saw a neat recipe for butter tart-cranberry squares in the December issue of the Chatelaine at the doctor's office the other day. I didn't have time to copy it and haven't got the magazine yet, but you might like to look it up.

#### LEMON SQUARES

1 1/2 cups graham wafer crumbs  
3/4 cups flour (all purpose)  
1/2 tsp baking powder

May the warmth and hospitality of the holiday season bring a smile and touch your heart.

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## Is your chimney safe?

Wood burning systems must operate under a variety of conditions during each heating season. The slower burning needed in fall and spring when heat demand is low, tends to result in more rapid creosote formation in the flue pipe and chimney. Chimney cleaning is usually needed more often in spring and fall.

One of the best ways to ensure that your wood heating system gets the maintenance it needs to be safe and effective is to hire a fully-trained professional chimney sweep. A professional sweep will clean the system top to bottom and report any problems to you.

Here are the most important maintenance tasks to consider as you check the condition of your wood heating system:

- Clean and inspect the chimney and flue pipes regularly.
- Check the condition of the chimney and flue pipes to determine if there has been any deterioration.
- Check the flue pipes for corrosion that can weaken the joints.
- When inspecting a masonry chimney, look for black or white stains on the outer bricks, and cracks or missing pieces in the chimney liner.

If you see any problems during cleaning and inspection, have the system thoroughly inspected by a qualified chimney sweep and repaired before continuing to use it.

The directors and staff of Halwell Mutual wish all rural Halton a safe and happy Holiday Season !!!

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