

Salvation Army's Big Toy Drive Party

Have fun and give kids a merry Christmas

By JENNIFER ENRIGHT

The Salvation Army and Milton resident Greg Parsons, of Greg Parsons Productions, want to make Christmas a merry one for as many people as possible this year. So once again the Milton branch of the Salvation Army and Greg are teaming up to host what they call the *Big Toy Drive Party*.

The party, which is set for December 4 from 7 pm until 1 am, will feature musical entertainment including local singer Urban Faria, who sings Motown classics, as well as a four-piece band from Mississauga called *Maureen Brown*. The group's offerings include Cajun music and rhythm and blues.

Greg is optimistic that this year's event should match the \$1,400 raised last year. The drive, which is in its third year, is being held at a larger venue this year at the Milton Sports Centre off Derry Road. Admission is \$10 and at the door people can drop off unwrapped toys for the Salvation Army.

Greg said he especially likes helping out the Salvation Army because he knows any fundraising will directly benefit the local community. "I've chosen the Salvation Army because whatever toys and money are raised stay in Milton."

Following the musical entertainment, there will be a live auction overseen by local

auctioneer Brad Joyce. There will also be door prizes, a cash bar run by the Milton Optimist Club, and a sweet table provided by M & M Meats.

Greg said many local businesses and groups are supporting the event, and he's thankful for their support.

To purchase tickets for the toy drive party or to reserve a group table, contact Greg Parsons at 905-299-0528. People can also buy tickets at Mike's Barbershop at 148 Main Street East in Milton. The phone number is 905-878-3916.

Aside from the toy drive, there will also be a food drive to support the Salvation Army's food bank on December 4. Milton firefighters will pick up donations door-to-door and the food will be sorted at the Salvation Army's offices on Nipissing Road.

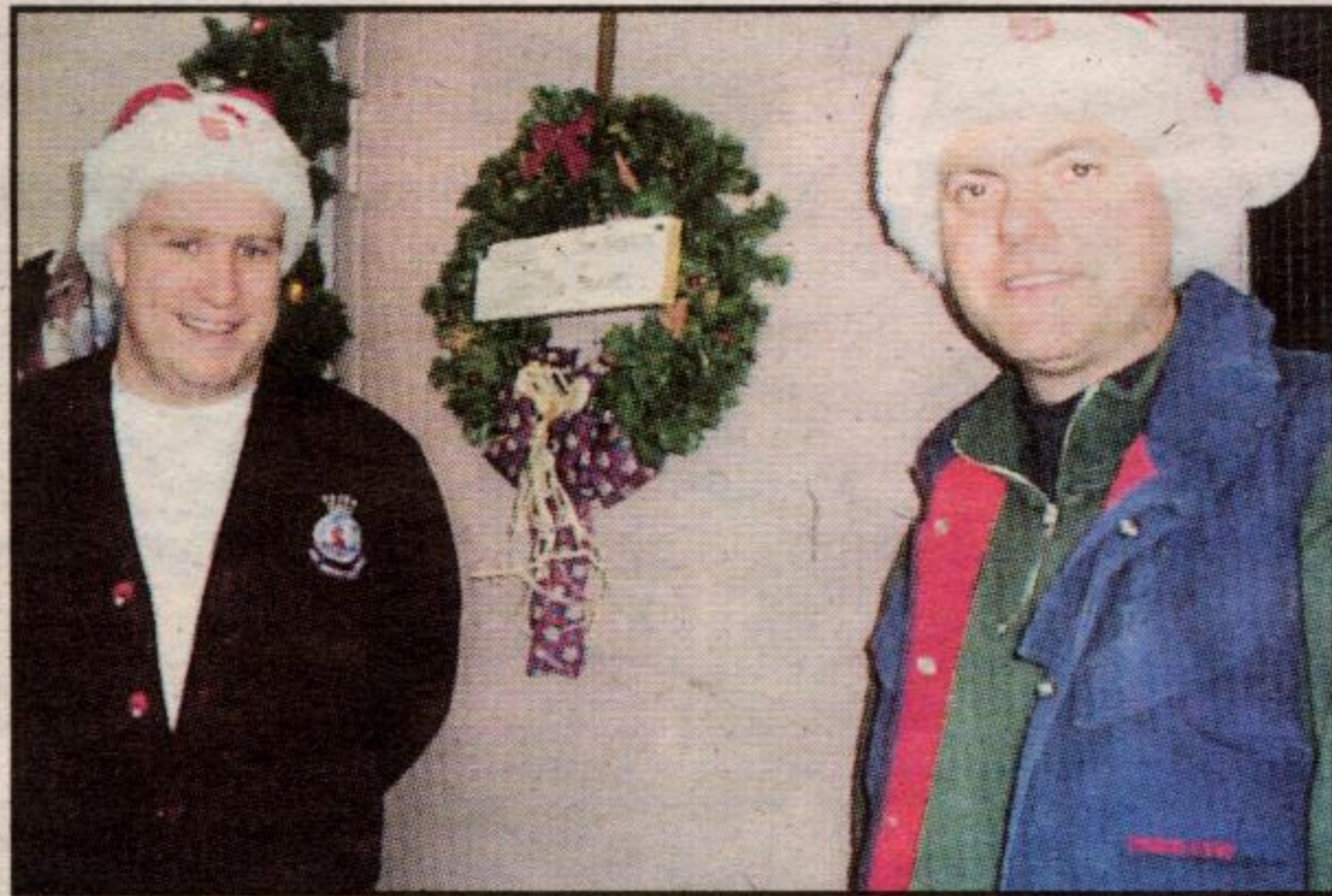


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Bill Blackman (left), a captain with the Milton branch of the Salvation Army, and Greg Parsons of Milton will be two familiar faces at the town's annual Salvation Army toy drive.

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Schedule Change

• **The Children's Hour** has moved from Sunday, November 28 to **Sunday, November 21**, to avoid conflicting with the Milton Santa Claus Parade. "Little Red Riding Hood" will be performed by the Little Red Theatre troupe in the auditorium of the Milton Bible Church (no affiliation with TCH), 200 Main St. E., Milton, at 2:30 P.M. Ticket cost: Adults \$10.00, First child \$7.50, Second and Third child, \$5.00. Appropriate for ages 4-11. Tickets at the door or by calling Kymmothy Krueger at 905-878-7962.

Now until November 27

• **Globe Productions Presents CITY OF ANGELS** a rare Hollywood musical comedy!-at the John Elliott Theatre Georgetown. Tickets are \$20 and are available through the John Elliott Theatre Box Office at 905-877-3700.

• **Art Show & Sale - Meet the Artists at Finders Discoveries Art Gallery**, 243 Main St. N., Acton. Wine & Cheese Reception on the 20th, Noon-4pm on the 21st, 1pm-5pm. For more information call 519-853-1675.

November 22

• **Halton Hills Quilters Guild**, meeting at the Moldmasters Sports Complex in Georgetown at 7:15pm Contact Pat Clayton 905-878-1839. No meeting in December due to holidays.

• **Fashion with a Cause - Dinner and Fashion Show** - to raise support for the AIDS Network. Chris Maynard, owner and operator of Maynard's Menswear in Oakville together with Michael from the Twisted Fork, will be hosting the event at The Twisted Fork, 67 Bronte Road Oakville, Tickets \$75, are available at the Twisted Fork. Call 905 825 FORK (3675)

November 23

• **The Georgetown Little Theatre** will be holding its monthly members meeting at the GLT Studio at 33 Stewarttown Road. New members, visitors and guests are welcome. For more information call us at 905.877.3422 or visit www.georgetownlittletheatre.ca

• **Family Support Group** for friends and family members affected by schizophrenia and other serious mental illnesses. This group operates on a drop-in basis and is held the fourth Tuesday of each month at Milton Mall, 2nd floor boardroom, 55 Ontario Street South, Milton, 7:00 p.m. For more information phone 905-876-1647

• **Concerned about our Environment?** Come to the Annual General Meeting for P.O.W.E.R (Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources) with speaker Bob McDonald from CBC's *Quirks and Quarks*. Silent auction. Mold Masters Sportplex on Hwy 7 across from Georgetown Mall, 7pm. 905-877-4766

November 24

• **Royal City Musical Productions Inc.** presents *West Side Story* November 24 -28 8pm and 2pm on November 27 & 28. \$27 adults, \$22 all others. River Run Centre, 35 Woolridge St., Guelph. Call 1-877-520-2408 for more info.

November 26

• **Just Milton Folks** present an evening with Guelph native singer / songwriter James Gordon at Hugh Foster Hall in Milton at 8:00 pm Doors open at 7:30 pm tickets \$20 per person available through www.justmiltonfolks.ca or by calling Rose Brooks at 905-876-2645

• **Milton Concert Presentations** is proud to present the **Sir George Solti Chamber Orchestra of Budapest**, with Maestro Kerry Stratton and soloist Katerina Englichova. St Paul's United Church, 123 Main St., Milton, 8pm. Tickets: \$30.00 adult and \$24.00 senior and student. Please call Sandra 905-878-4732 for more information.

November 27

• **The Halton Region Museum** starts off the holiday season with an evening of vintage swing & blues featuring Alex Pangman, at 6 pm - 11 pm To reserve tickets call 905-975-2200 ext.21

• **Georgetown Bach Chorale** and guest soloists perform with a Baroque Orchestra featuring Norman Engel, 8pm at Knox Presbyterian Church, Georgetown and November 28, 3 pm at St. James Anglican Church, Caledon East. Tickets \$25. For more info 905-877-8321. December 17 & 18 sold out!

• **Valdy** playing at Robert Little Auditorium, Acton 7:30pm, \$20 adults - \$17.50 children. All proceeds to the Robert Little Athletics Program. For tickets call 905-853-2540 or 905-853-1730 or 905-877-5165

• **Eden Mills Community Christmas Bazaar**, 1-3 p.m. at Eden Mills Community Hall. Includes Penny Table, Baked Goods, Tea Room, Christmas Crafts and Decor, White Elephant, Draws & great prizes.

• **Christmas Luncheon & Bazaar** held by Halton Chapter No.280 Order of the Eastern Star at St. Clair Masonic Hall, Hwy 5 South of Milton. Enjoy home baking, preserves, crafts, decorations and draws. 11 am - 2 pm (Luncheon 11:30 am - 1 pm)

November 28

• **The Little Red Theatre** presents their production, *Arabian Tales* Tickets are \$10 adult, First child \$7.50 with every additional child \$5 each performance. Contact Kymm at 905-878-7962 for more information.

December Weekends

• **Victorian Christmas** - Enjoy holiday traditions, baking, crafts and festive decorations, noon-4pm Spruce Lane Farmhouse, Bronte Creek Provincial Park. Call 905-827-6911 for more information.

• **Family History Research** The Halton-Peel Branch Genealogical Society will be holding their regular meeting at Chinguacousy Branch Library, Lower Level, 150 Central Park Drive, Bramalea at 2:00 pm Visitors are welcome.

December 2

• **2nd annual Christmas Bazaar** at Brookville Public School from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm as part of its parent teacher interview night. There are still tables available. Interested vendors, artisans and craftspeople can find out more by calling Bev Smith at 905-854-2469.

December 4

• **Harmony Club's Olde Tyme Dance** with "Marion's Band" to be held at Eden Mills Community Hall 8:30 pm - 11:30 pm. Members \$12, Non-Members \$14.

• **Christmas On The Credit**, St. Alban's Church Hall, (wheelchair accessible) 537 Main Street, Glen Williams, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Ganz Cottage Bears (tm), Crafts, Home baking & Preserves, Friendship Table, Sewing & Knitting, Silent Auction, Penny Sale, Garden Shop, Lunch and more.

• **Fifth Annual Rotary Christmas TV Auction** - 6 pm - 10:30 pm. To bid call AUCTION HOTLINE - 905-693-8291. All proceeds to benefit Milton Rotary's "Focus on Youth" program.

• **The Limehouse Annual Pancake & Sausage Breakfast with Santa**. Sittings are at 9:00 am or 10:30 am. Tickets are \$5.00 per person and children 3 and under is free with a paying adult. Bake sale, penny auction and silent auction available. Tickets must be purchased in advance by contacting, Limehouse School at 905-873-6354 no later than December 1.

• **Help someone less fortunate this season.** You can drop off donations of toys; clothes etc. for Halton Women's Place at Ebenezer Church from 1-5 pm. Donations for the food bank will also be appreciated. For more information, please contact Karen at 519-763-8011 or Kristin at 905-854-2903.

December 8

• **Social Bridge** - sponsored by "The Close & over Sixty Club" meeting on the second Wednesday of every month. 1pm-4:30pm, \$2 per person. St. John's Church, Guelph Line & 10 Side Road.

December 11

• **The Halton Museum Foundation** presents *Wassail*, a traditional English celebration at 8pm John Elliott Theatre 9 Church Street Georgetown Box office 905-877-3700



ROTARY TV AUCTION

December 4th
6:00 - 10:30 PM

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