

# Kinsmen Christmas trees

By ANN KORNUA

The Kinsmen Festival of Trees is in its eighth year at the Milton Mall to help raise funds for the Milton District Hospital Foundation. The fully decorated trees are generously donated by local community companies and individuals or by members of the Kinsmen themselves. This year, nine trees have been generously donated by RPM's Accounting service, Chasers, Ron Furik Regional Councillor Ward 2-

4, Milton Hospital CUPE local 815, the staff from Halton Land Registry, Milton Public Library CUPE local 14366, Mattamy Homes, Lyons Automotive and the Agents of Re/max Blue Springs. The trees are stunning. From traditional Christmas themes to a delightful tree fashioned entirely out of Toronto Maple Leaf's memorabilia there is a tree for every person in the draw.

The Kinsmen are one of the fastest

growing community groups in the area. "We help out with the Salvation Army toy drive, host charity baseball tournaments and get involved with golf for cancer. Our aim is to help anyone in the community that needs help," Rick Matchett said. "We are dedicated to help people in the Milton area and when a good cause comes around we get involved."

Rick asks for everyone to look out for the Kinsmen in the Milton Christmas parade on December 28 with their specially trained Kazoo band. "We have been practicing for a while and will be playing requests," Rick said.

Everyone is encouraged to come down to the Milton Mall for the next two weeks to fill out a ballot and take a chance to win one of the beautiful Christmas trees. Tickets are only two dollars a piece, three for five dollars and ten tickets for ten dollars. It is a chance to win one of these wonderful trees and every dollar collected helps out the Milton District Hospital Foundation. The draw date is December 4.

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Kinsmen Jack McCrudden, Bob Winder and Rick Matchett display the Christmas Trees up for grabs in their fund raising event for the Milton District Hospital.



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# Shriners take part in community bazaar



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Local Shriners Ross Barrie (left) and Ron Dalton show off their wares for sale at the Milton Community Bazaar. The two men are members of the Credit Valley Shrine Club and anyone who didn't get a chance to stock up on fruitcake, cookies and truffles when the Shriners were at the Milton Mall, shouldn't fret. The Shriners will operate a booth at Georgetown Mall from December 2 to 6. Proceeds from the sales go to support Shrine Hospitals around the country.

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