

Junior Achievement looks for volunteers

Volunteers are being sought to deliver Junior Achievement of Halton programs in the schools. Demand for programs has been overwhelming, officials say.

Programs requiring volunteers are as follows:

Business Basics is offered to Grades 5-6 students and is approximately a six-hour commitment, with 1-2 hours training, and four hours in the classroom.

Economics of Staying in School is offered to grade 8 students which is approximately an eight-hour commitment, with 1-2 hours training and six hours to deliver the program.

A new program for Grade 7 students, **Dollars & Sense**, will entail approximately 1-2 hours of training and six hours in the classroom.

For further information please call 905-637-7200, email msprogra@jahalton.org, web site www.jahalton.org.

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LEGION NEWS

By Joyce Buchanan
Secretary

Hi again;

I don't believe this weather, but we will take it. I'm sure the snow will soon be here; it would be nice for Christmas. We have a few kids' Christmas parties coming to the Branch. Our own is December 16, starting at 1:30pm. There will be entertainment, food and, of course, Santa: so remember to bring your kids down.

December 15 is a Turkey Roll. Maybe you can win yourself your Christmas Dinner.

Not many signing up for the CPR yet. If you are interested give Gord McCutcheon a call.

I need help once more, I have a news letter to go out. If you can deliver your own street or help with some others I would very much appreciate your help. The letters will be sorted into streets and placed by the bulletin board for pickup. If you can come

down and pick some up I would be very happy; please make my day.

New Year's tickets are now available at the bar; they are for the main hall and also the Ladies' Lounge.

Remember, Jan. 1st is Levy Day, when we all meet for a social afternoon, with good food and good friends, so please mark you calendar and don't over do New Years'. Then you can make the party. It is also a good time to pay your dues.

Mark Jan. 26 down. That's the date set for Ladies' Appreciation Night when the Branch serves dinner to the Ladies' auxiliary. Your help would be appreciated on that date.

We have a few members on the sick list, please don't forget them at this time of year. Cards or visits are always good. Also remember those who are shut-ins. Remember there is always Bridge and Euchre during the week. I don't know if they stop for Christmas, but I will let you know.

See you at the Branch.



OPENING DAY: Throngs of shoppers crowded into the new Garden Market IGA for the opening last Thursday morning. Staff at the delicatessen counter greet one of the many people who are shopping at the new store. — Ted Tyler photo.

Impressive Advent Service at Bethel Church Sunday

Many attended a traditional Advent Service of Lessons and Carols at Bethel Christian Reformed Church on Sunday. The impressive service was hosted by the Acton Ministerial Association and included representations from all Acton churches.

The nine lessons were read, mainly by lay people,

from the various churches including Rev. Pieter van Harten of Knox Presbyterian, Stella Bankrof, Bethel Christian Reformed, Shirley Broostad of St. Alban's Anglican, Willy Van Arragon of Acton Baptist, Major Lyndon Hales of the Salvation Army, Rev. Emrys Jenkins of Churchill Community, Craig

Porterfield of Trinity United, Kathy Sanford of St. Joseph Catholic, and Sam Davis of Evangel Pentecostal.

Hymns and carols of the Christmas season were led by the choir from Bethel Church. Singers from St. Joseph's choir also sang one hymn saluting the Virgin Mary.

A social time followed the services.

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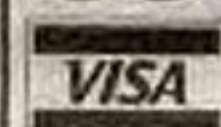
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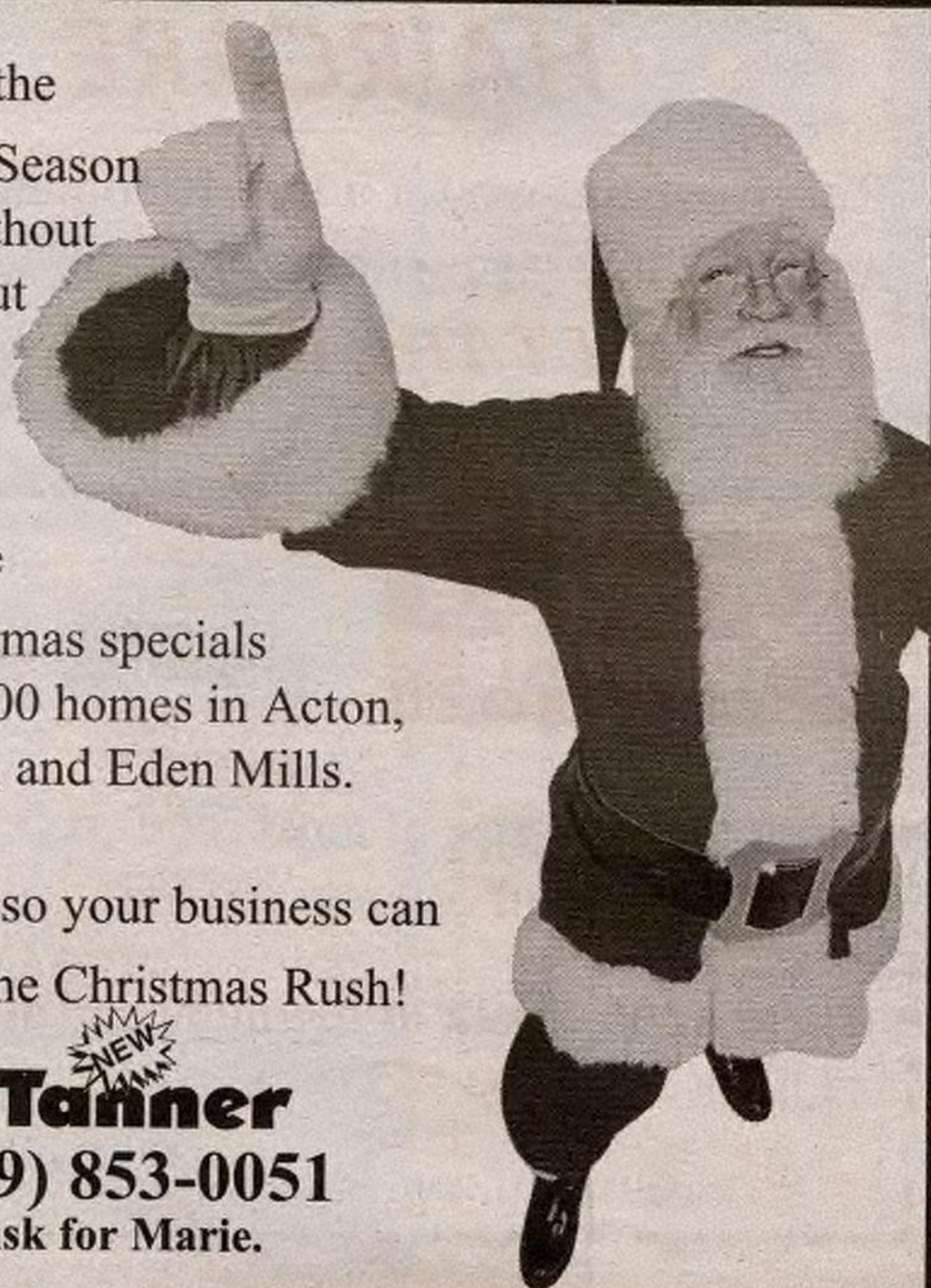
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Thefts from vehicles increase

Halton Regional Police have experienced an increase of reported thefts from, and thefts of vehicles. Most of these vehicles were left unlocked.

Vehicle owners have been leaving expensive items in plain view inside their vehicles. A few tips that citizens can use to protect themselves from being victimized, are offered by police:

Always lock your vehicle when you leave it unattended, and never leave the keys inside, even under the floor mat, or above the visor. Thieves do not want to make a noise by smashing a window. It attracts witnesses.

Never leave the vehicle with the engine running. It only takes a second to steal a car.

Park your car inside your garage if you have one. Keep the garage door locked.

Do not leave ownership or driver's licence documents in the vehicle. They can be used to obtain false identification in the registered owner's name.

Do not leave property in view inside the vehicle. Lock it in the trunk.

Consider purchasing anti-theft devices, such as ignition kill switches, fuel kill switches, steering wheel lock, gearshift lock, steering column collar, or electronic alarms.

Remember, you hold the key to preventing vehicle theft, police note.

Police survey in Wellington County

Wellington OPP will be conducting a randomized community telephone survey in the County of Wellington to provide information to both the Police and the Police Services Board concerning community satisfaction with their services and programs.

Starting the first week of December, community volunteers will be contacting about 400 households. All calls are

anonymous and the volunteers will not know the identity of the respondents. The survey will be completed between the hours of 6pm and 9pm during the weekdays and from 9am to 9pm on weekends.

The public's input into this process is very important, and it will help to determine how the OPP can best provide policing to the community.

Restructuring nixed...

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Acton Councillor Clark Somerville supported the six-month trial, noting it would mean two additional meetings, not fewer.

"So, it's not like we trying to avoid meetings, we're just trying to speed it up," he said.

Mayor Kathy Gastle said it was unfortunate everyone was "going off on this tangent that we're trying to eliminate the public."

"Certainly, that's an over-exaggeration," she said, add-

ing that even at Council meetings we've opened up the meetings in the past to allow last minute delegations.

Gastle urged councillors to at least try the new system for six months; saying to never attempt anything is to get "caught in the same cog."

"I'm disappointed. I thought it was an opportunity to at least move forward," Gastle said, pointing out that the procedures to allow delegates to come before Council is covered in the Clerk's

proposal.

Georgetown Councillor Ron Chatten said he initially thought the proposed operating change was "creative" worth trying, but only if the majority of Council is willing to try it.

"I'd be hesitant to go ahead with the new plan, if it seems divisive. Council - we're a team, and we should be wanting to try things together and if we're not ready to do it, then we shouldn't do it..." Chatten said.