By the time everyone reads this newsletter, Christmas will be over. I do hope everyone had a wonderful time. Now is the time to get rested up before the celebration of the New Year.

There are still some Xmas presents left at the Legion. If you had registered your child to attend and did not show up, please come down and collect their gift as soon as

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possible.

Now attention Ladies of the Auxiliary! The January meeting has been changed to Thursday, 9 January at 8:00pm. Please plan to attend.

Condolences are sent to the family of Tiffy Wildes. His daughter Norma Titus is a member of the Auxiliary; so Norma, we send you our deepest sympathy.

Don't forget the New Years Eve Gala. Tickets are on sale and the Presidents Levee starts at 1:00pm on 1 January 2003.

Hope to see everyone in the New Year at the branch.



IT PAID OFF:Last Thursday, 24 students from McKenzie Smith Bennett were

treated to story time, hot chocolate and cookies at the Starlight Cafe. Mr. Bracken's grade four class spent time cleaning up the school and were told stories by Fiona Hess.- Angela Tyler photo

Cell phones no problem

Dear editor,

Re. Refuelling dangers

The wording of the article sounds like an email half-truth of a real report from the Petroleum Equipment Institute. A copy of that email and link to the real report can be found at http://www.snopes.com/

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LETTERS autos/hazards/static.asp. The link shows many in-

consistencies between the email and what the report actually says. The real report only states that "No cell phones were involved" with the researched fires and it does not even mention gender.

I challenge anyone to try

energy while cell phones transmit less than one watt - or find a reputable record of a cell phone igniting an explosion.

Americans alone refuel their cars 16 to 18 billion times a year and I have yet to see a documented incident.

As for "no cell phone" signs popping up at gas stations, that is simply "Lawyer CYA."

Merry Christmas! Jason Fournier, Acton, ON

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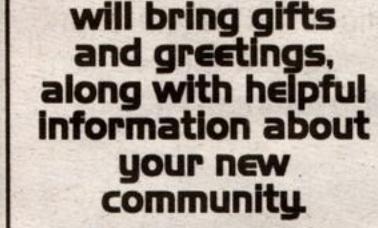
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