



SNOWY BLASTS: Bone-chilling gale force winds, which often caused white-outs, swirled around this week as winter returned to the area. This construction site on Wallace Ave. was busy despite conditions.

Winter returns to area with snow, heavy winds

The New Tanner advertising manager, Marie Shadbolt was planting tulip and hyacinth bulbs in last Saturday's balmy weather. There wasn't a bit of frost in the ground and the earth turned over easily, she said.

Monday morning she was huddled in a parka, cleaning the snow and frost from her car, only a few feet away from the flowerbeds where she had planted the flower bulbs on Saturday.

The good old Canadian winter, which took a sabbatical for a couple of weeks returned with a vengeance on Monday, sending snow and bitterly cold winds to buffet us. Roads were slippery and those who gardened and enjoyed walking with

light sweaters and coats are now encased in winter gear – boots, parkas, scarves and hats – as they faced gale-force winds loaded with snow.

Fortunately, Old Sol, which intermittently had hidden its face behind clouds, kept reappearing and flooded the area with sunshine bracing spirit for the wrath yet to come.

Children rejoiced. At last they had snow to play with their sleighs, toboggans and skis Santa had left under the Christmas tree.

Those who hate winter can find some consolation in the fact that the first day of Spring on the calendar is only 74 days away.

The festive season has drawn to a close, now it's reality time. The weather has been upside down for a couple of weeks, but now the party's over. It was good while it lasted.

The New Year's Levee was very well attended. Adam Timoon was as good as his billing; he is a very versatile entertainer.

The following members were fortunate winners in

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the Earlybird Draw: Ken McIsaac, Allan Hall and Bob Merrikin. They will have their 2004 dues refunded.

The next opportunity for a free ride in 2004 will be at the General Meeting on

Monday, January 12; one lucky member who is present will have their dues returned. That's next Monday night.

Dates for your diary: Valentine's dance, Feb. 14, featuring "Slimfit". \$10 per person with cold buffet included, in the Auditorium.

Ladies' Auxiliary notes: General meeting tonight at 7:30 p.m.

It's time to register for JUNIOR or SENIOR KINDERGARTEN Program

We look forward to welcoming your child to school!

Junior Kindergarten 2004-2005:

Children must be 4 years old by December 31, 2004.

Senior Kindergarten 2004-2005:

Children must be 5 years old by December 31, 2004.

Note: If your child is currently attending one of our schools for Junior Kindergarten, you do not need to register for Senior Kindergarten.

To determine your designated home school, access our website www.hdsb.ca and review our on-line boundary maps or use "School Locator" (click on "Schools" and "School Attendance Boundaries"). Call your designated school to find out which dates have been established for Kindergarten registration.

Parents/guardians must be public school supporters.

Please bring the following **original** documents with you*:

- your child's immunization record
- proof of address
- your child's Ontario Health Card
- proof of your child's age (birth certificate or passport)

*If you are not the child's parent, please bring proof of custody (court order).

Please ensure that your child is registered by **February 6, 2004.**

For further information contact 905-335-3663, ext. 3271 (Milton and Halton Hills), ext. 3294 or 3307 (Burlington and Oakville).



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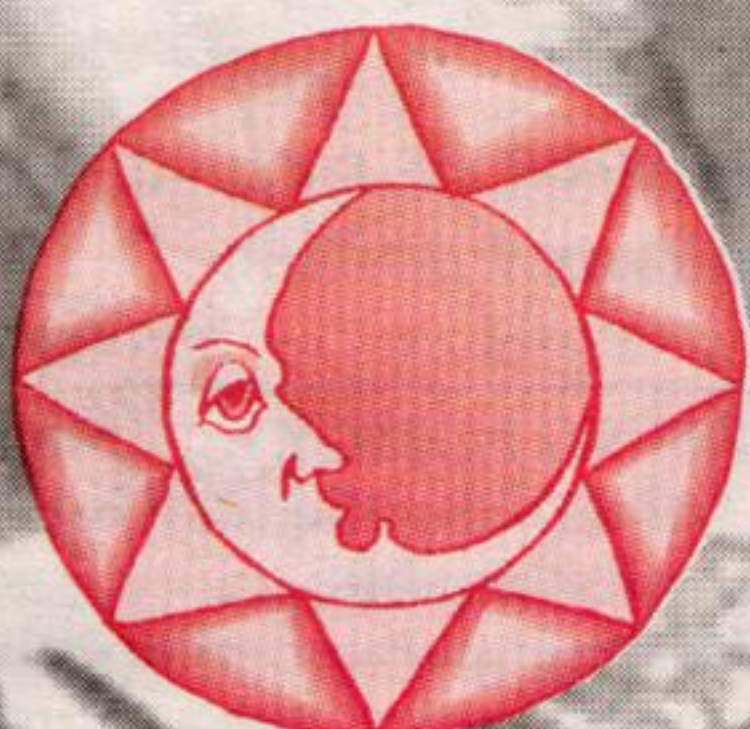
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