

28,000 pounds of food collected

Food drive is best ever

Local food banks' shelves are filled this week after a successful town-wide food drive Saturday.

In Georgetown, 20,239 pounds of food and \$435 were collected and in Acton, more than 100 volunteers brought in 9,100 pounds with dribbles still coming in as of yesterday (Tuesday).

Bread Basket director Eric Doubt reported it was the most successful drive ever in Georgetown and Acton Food Share treasurer Eileen Dix said the amount of food collected will see the bank through the winter.

Last year, Acton Food Share collected about 8,500 pounds and the Bread Basket, about 14,000 pounds.

"It's a tremendous relief," said Doubt, as "in one fell swoop, the food bank was able to collect two-fifths of the total in an average year to get us through."

"Acton is generally well known for being generous," Dix said, "And it gets better year after year."

Halton Hills Scouts, Guides and Calvinist Cadets assisted by volunteers collected the food door-to-door on Saturday.

Arlene Humphreys of Acton Food Share says there is a reasonable good mixture of items collected.

Tops on the most-wanted list was cereal, juices, coffee, tea, sugar, salt, spaghetti, hot chocolate and peanut butter.

More than 390 qualified families, including more than 1,800 children, use the food banks throughout the year.

Georgetown Bread Basket is located at 55 Sinclair Ave., Unit 12. It is open from 9 a.m. until noon every Wednesday and Saturday.



Master Corporal Sean Free of the 676th Scotts Cadet Corps stacks boxes of food ready to be loaded into a delivery truck outside St. Andrews United Church during Saturday's annual Fall Food Drive. Both the Georgetown Bread Basket and Acton Food Share report record donations. Photo by Brian K. Haybittle

Its phone number is 873-3368.

Acton Food Share is located at 153 Perth St., just off Wallace St. It is open Tuesdays, 9 a.m. until noon and Saturdays, 10 a.m. until noon. Its phone number is 853-0457.



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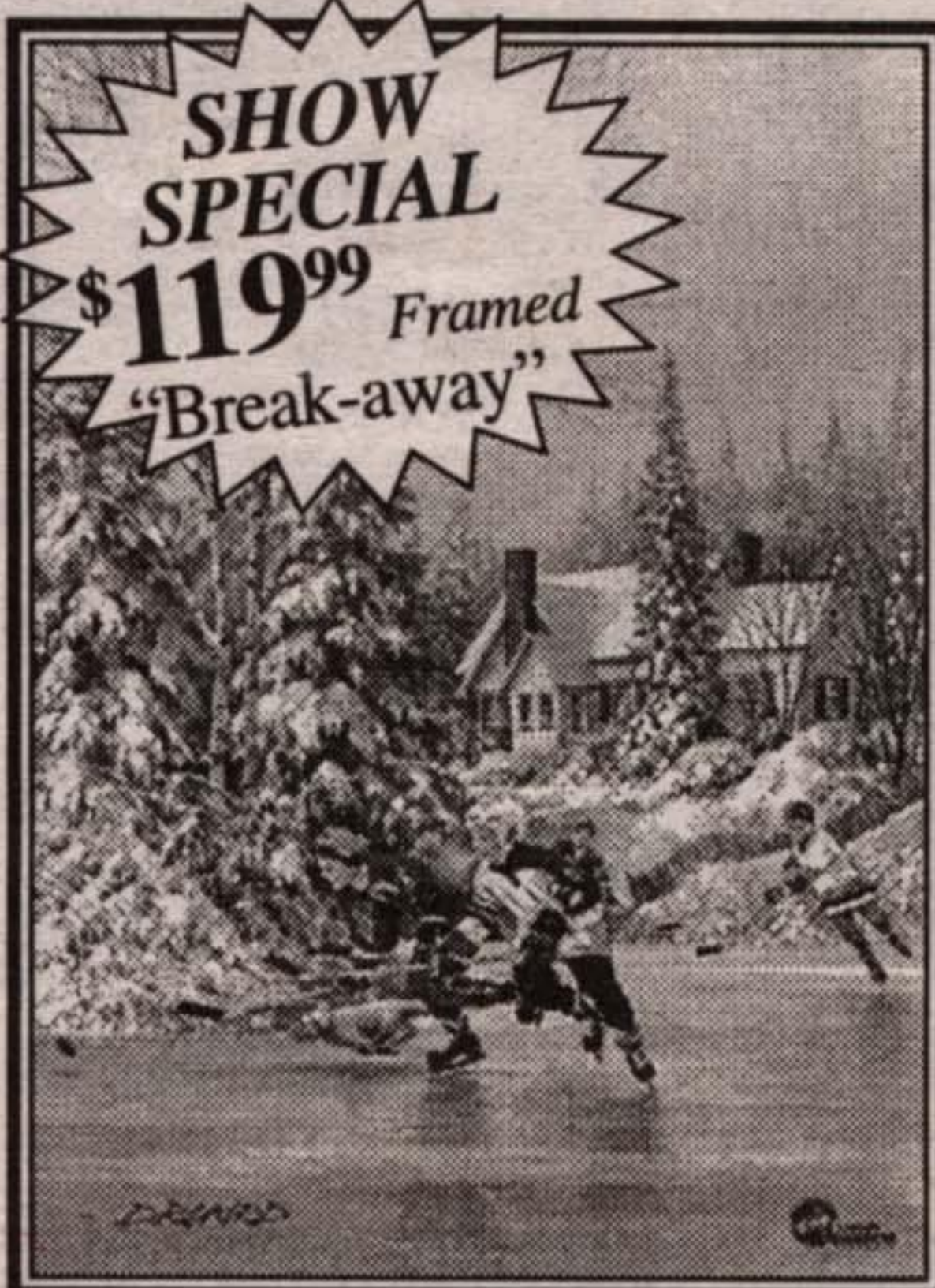
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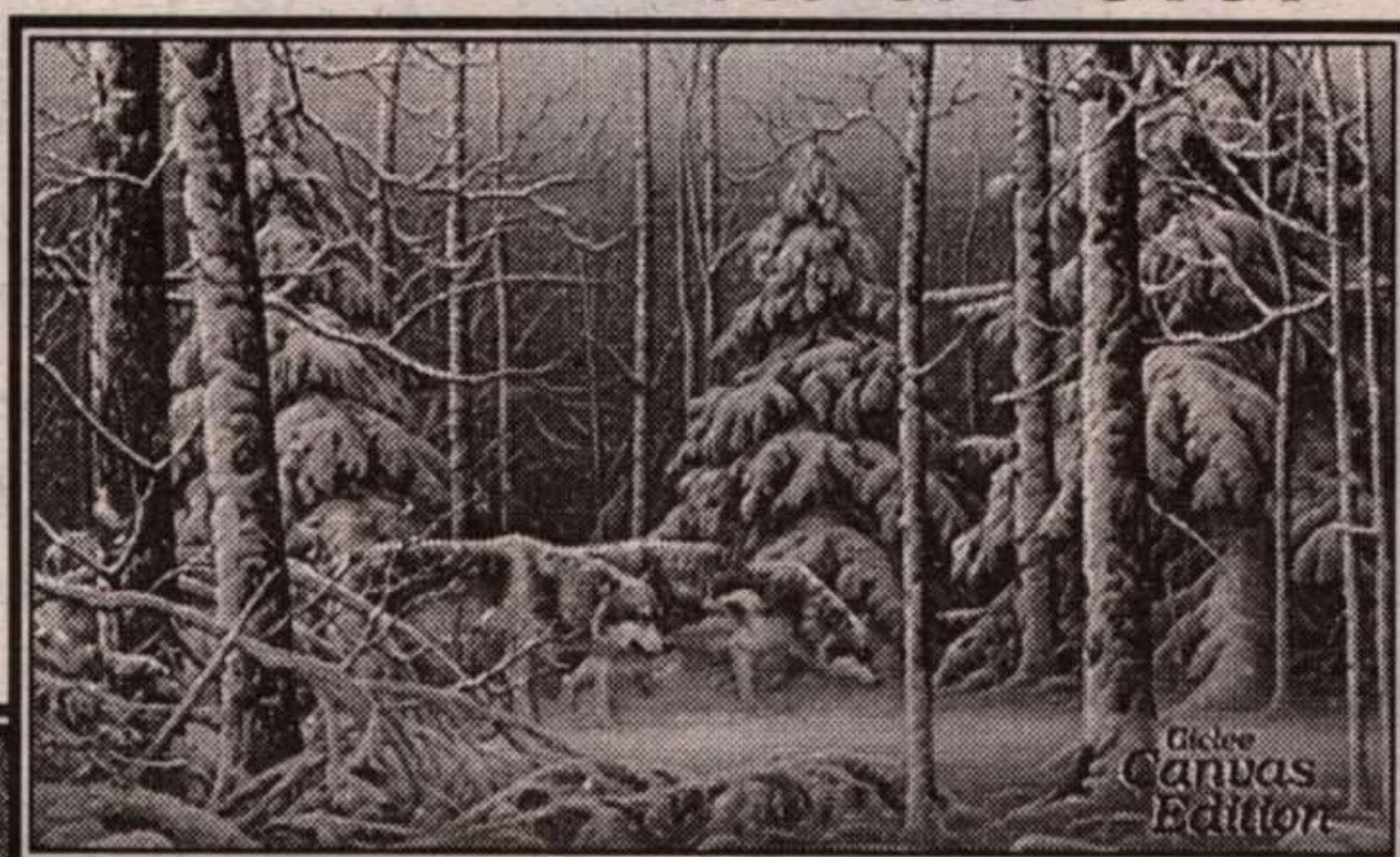
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