



Students get history lesson

Pickering resident Jan de Vries, a Second World War veteran and president of the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion Association, visited Centennial Middle School Wednesday to address the students about conditions during the war and tell them about his colleague, Victoria Cross recipient Fred Topham. de Vries' group is spearheading a move to raise \$275,000 to buy back Topham's medal which has been put up for auction by Topham's family. As a member of the 1st Canadian Parachute Battalion, de Vries jumped behind enemy lines 12 hours before the start of D-Day landings at Normandy.

Photos by Ted Brown



Canadian Tire, Sally Ann, police team up Toys for Tots program begins Tuesday

Georgetown Canadian Tire is participating again in the Fourth Annual Toys for Tots program that officially kicks off Tuesday (Nov. 16).

The program is a partnership between Halton Regional Police, Salvation Army and Canadian Tire.

Donation bins for cash and Canadian Tire money are already set up in the Georgetown

store, and will remain there through the end of the month. On weekends Halton Police officers will volunteer their time manning the bins.

Money donated will be used to buy toys at Canadian Tire for distribution by the Salvation Army at Christmas.

New toy donations are also being accepted at police stations throughout Halton Region through until Christmas.

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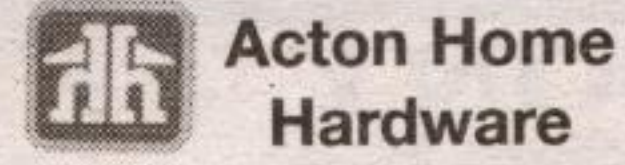
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