

**BRANCH No. 197** **LEGION NEWS**  
By James Hayes P.R.O.

Comrades:  
The New Year's Eve party was a great success, and I understand a good time was had by all in attendance.

The President's Levee on Sunday afternoon was very well supported, and we had some priceless entertainment from some of our members, in addition to the music of Kent Tocher.

The Early Bird Draw was made from the list of eligible members, and the following lucky people will have their 2007 dues paid by the Branch: George De Rabbie, Wayne Wilson, and Fred Andrews. Congratulations, guys. Not bad for paying your dues one month early, Eh!

As I mentioned last week, we will be hosting the District B Council meeting this Saturday the 7th. There will be a full program at the Branch including entertainment in the evening starting at 7p.m. Come on down, it's your Branch.

*Yours in comradeship.*

**Ladies' Auxiliary Notes**

Well, ladies, another year has passed and we are ready to start New Year 2006. Hope everyone had a joyous Christmas. Mark your 2006

calendars for the following events coming up:

January 14 – Zone Darts – Bramalea.

January 21 – Zone Cribbage – Bronte.

January 28 – Qualifying Round for District Darts – Cooksville.

Sign up with Marg Bromby at the next General Meeting or give her a call if you would like to participate.

Saturday, February 4 is Ladies Appreciation Night for the LA members. This is the night the Branch prepares and serves a meal to the LA members of Branch 197 followed by entertainment. Come to the next General Meeting to sign up or call Susan Poulsen to let her know you will be attending.

May 2006 be a year of health and happiness to each and every LA member and may we continue to work together and support our Branch as we have done in the past. Thank You comrades for a great year!

*Yours in Comradeship:*

*Peggy Harris,*

*President LA Br. 197.*

Next General Meeting tonight, January 5, 2006 at 7:30p.m.

**Wellington OPP check out 30,991 vehicles in Yule RIDE program**

The OPP's 2005 Festive R.I.D.E. Program ran from November 25, 2005 through January 2, 2006 and Wellington O.P.P. took an active role in the campaign. Its most important objective was to reduce the number of persons drinking and driving and to make roadways safer for residents.

**Results:**

Total Vehicles Checked - 30,991; Total 12 Hour Suspensions - 28 issued; Total Administrative Drivers Licence Suspensions - 8 issued; Total Drinking & Driving Offences - 8 Persons Charged; Total Other Charges - 54 Offences issued; Extra Officers on Patrol - 35 Officers; Fatal Collisions - 1; Personal Injury Collisions - 52; Property Damage Collisions - 271 and Total Collisions - 324.

**Wellington OPP...**

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O.P.P. investigated the driver of a 1978 AMC Jeep on Wellington Road 22 in Erin. The driver had been drinking.

A 42-year-old man from Brampton was arrested and faces charges of impaired driving and driving with more than 80 mgs. He is scheduled to appear in Guelph Court on January 23.

**SPEEDER OF THE WEEK**

(Guelph) – On Tuesday, December 27 at 8:44a.m., Constable Steve Hunter of the Guelph Office of Wel-

lington O.P.P. was conducting speed enforcement on Highway 6 (Hanlon Expressway) near Clair Road in Guelph. The officer observed a 1996 Ford Windstar travelling at a high rate of speed northbound on Highway 6. The officer activated his stationary radar and the vehicle entered the beam and recorded a speed of 137-km/h in a posted 80-km/h zone.

A 38-year-old Guelph woman faces a charge of speeding. She is scheduled to appear in Guelph P.O.A. Court on January 18 to answer to the charge.

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**NEW BEGINNINGS**

Welcome to 2006, I wish everyone the very best in this New Year.

The last few years have flown by and all too soon I find that I must be moving on. This will be my last column as your Village Constable. Effective January 1, 2006, I have been transferred to another posting.

I truly enjoyed my time here, working with all Acton's Citizen. So many people and Organizations extended a welcoming hand.

I don not nearly have enough room in this column to thank you all of you individually, so I would like to give collective, heartfelt THANK YOU to each of you via this column.

You new Village Constable is Constable Rob Felske. Rob has worked with the Halton Regional Police Service for the past 6 years, spending part of that time patrolling in the Acton area.

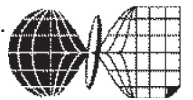
My wish is that you maintain your continued generous support the Acton Village Constable Program.

It's a New Year and a new beginning for Rob and Acton, I wish you all every success.  
Good Bye.

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