

FARRIER FILLIES: Some of the "Gals on the Go" from Acton Seniors Centre learned blacksmithing skills last week at Waldie's Blacksmith shop in Milton. Darwin the blacksmith shows Nives Bozic, Irma Marin, Joan Morris and Grace Graham how to make a candle holder. – Julie Conroy photo



## ACTON SENIORS' RECREATION CENTRE

By Julie Conroy

Hopefully everyone has their tickets for the "Salute to our Veterans" dinner on November 16th. Victor and Brian have great plans to make it a memorable dinner. If you have any memorabilia please bring it to the Centre and Victor will be happy to display it. The Irish dancers from Guelph will be delightful I am sure.

Last week the "Girls on the Go" visited the Waldie Blacksmith shop in Milton, which is a working museum. The two blacksmiths Darwin and Larry are there on Wednesdays and Saturdays. It has been restored by the Milton Historical Society, and they store their archives there. Last Wednesday was cold, but it was nice and warm inside the shop.

Darwin was busy making a candlestick when we were there, and he and Gloria Brown gave us lots of information. I can quite see why it is a dying trade, as it takes forever, heating and hammering the metal until you have the desired shape. There was a huge display of horseshoes around the shop so hopefully they bring lots of good luck.

When James Alfred Waldie first came to Canada as a young man, he took over an existing blacksmith business in Acton. In 1865 the family moved to Milton, and operated in the same building for over 100 years. Alfred Waldie operated the family business until 1970. Their house is next door, and one of the daughters Marsha still

lives in it.

We returned to our cars and drove to Springridge farm where we enjoyed some lovely hot soup and browsed the gift shop.

The stores are trying to get us in the Christmas mood as far as shopping goes, and to really get us in the spirit this weekend is the Santa Claus parade in Acton. Victor and his committee are planning a float. Last year they won first prize in their category.

The carpet bowlers were very happy to tell me they had 12 bowlers out last Monday. A record number! Betty Lockerbie's Black team beat Peggy Naughton's Brown team 12 – 3.

Members don't forget your grandchildren are invited to help trim the tree on Tuesday, November 20 at 1 p.m. and as always there will be goodies for those helping. At 2 p.m. we will have the annual membership drive, so if you haven't paid your membership for 2008 it would be a great time to do so. Prospective members are encouraged to come along and see what we have to offer.

The Bid Euchre had its usual two tables this week, and Ruth Burke and Shirley Hunter both had mooners. There were several people interested in playing scrabble, and it looks like Thursday afternoons would be the best time. If you don't enjoy playing cards, but want to keep those little grey cells active this would be the perfect game for you.

Donna Rowley tells me

plans are in the works for the Tour of the Lights. It looks like there will be two buses courtesy of Tyler Transport, and the date will be Thursday, December 20. Details and pick up times nearer the date. There will be a sign up sheet, so if you are interested and can't get to the Centre pick up the phone and call 519-853-5951 and the person on the desk will be happy to put your name on the list. The same with the Friday lunches, if you would like to come on a Friday but can't get in during the week they will be happy to add your name to the list.

It's the season for the Christmas Bazaars, and ours will be on Saturday Nov 24 from 11-2. There will be lots of baking, crafts, and draws. One prize is a beautiful hand-crafted bear made from a recycled beaver fur coat, plus a penny table with lots of great prizes and something to look forward to, our delicious tea. See you there!

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## Police use new law to remove dangerous drivers from roads

New provisions in the Highway Traffic Act came into force September 30 and Halton Regional police officers are removing dangerous drivers from the roads.

Some examples from the police:

October 3, a driver was travelling on Tremaine Road near Lower Base, at 118 km/h in a 60 km/h zone. The car was stopped, the driver charged with the new offence of "Stunt Driving." His licence was suspended and his car immediately seized for seven days.

At 8:25 in the morning of October 4, a car was observed driving 108 km/h in a 50 km/h zone on the Sixth Line, north of Lower Base. The vehicle was stopped and the driver, a young mom, said that she was in a hurry to pick-up her kids. She lost her licence and vehicle for seven days.

At lunch time on October 11, a Toyota was travelling 160 km/h in a 70 km/h zone on Appleby Line north of Britannia Road. The driver, a 19-year-old from Mississauga, had left his

licence at home. It was still suspended for seven days. He was driving his dad's car, which was seized for seven days.

Persons charged with Stunt Driving face a minimum \$2000 and maximum \$10,000 fine. Their licence may be suspended for up to 2 years for a first offence and 10 years for a subsequent offence.

There have been 17 fatal motor vehicle collisions resulting in 18 deaths so far this year, compared to 12 collisions with 13 deaths in all of 2006.

## Sharks eat Devils, Cats draw Bolts in ladies games

Two - first period goals by Daina McKellar and Annette Kroezen paved the way for a 3-1 Sharks victory over the Red Devils in Acton Ladies Hockey Friday night.

Rounding out the scoring for the Sharks was Jenifer Casarin. Assists went to Daina McKellar, Shelley Dodds and Sarah Taylor. Kim Bandy Bollert spoiled the shutout bid for Jenn Swan as she scored the lone marker for the Red Devils with a helper from Caroline Hill.

In the second game the Gold Cougars battled the Blue Lightning to a 3-3 draw. The Blue Lightning erased a 2 goal deficit with 3 second period goals to take a 3-2 lead. Scoring for Lightning were Kasey Shoebridge, Kristy Hay-

ward and Sharon Austin. Kathleen Bevan had 2 assists while Tracey Ferguson and April Fagan added singles. Sally Stull tied the game in the third period with an assist from Jane Tivendale. Other goals for the Cougars went to Jane Tivendale and Sandy Walsh. Sally Stull, Carrie Gallant and Pamela Ireland had assists.

This Friday the Gold Cougars face off with the Red Devils at 10 p.m. And the 11 p.m. game sees Blue Lightning visiting the Dark Sharks.

Acton Ladies Hockey, the place to be Friday night at the Acton Arena!

