

## No time to play political games says Chamber

The board of directors of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce, in consultation with local chambers from across Canada, has issued principles responded to the factors fuelling the financial crisis in Canada, such as the access to credit, stock market turbulence and currency fluctuations.

"I fully support these principles, and encourage MPs, in the best interest of Halton Hills and of all Canadians, to focus their efforts in a non-partisan manner towards advancing these principles," says Jamie Schumacker, president of Halton Hills Chamber, a statement to the media.

The Chamber says the

current situation is taking a severe toll on the residents of Halton Hills and on all Canadians. In this regard, Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce and its members find it extremely disconcerting that the discourse since the tabling of the Economic Update has been almost exclusively focused on political gains and posturing.

"It is time to stop playing political games and concentrate on measures to immediately bolster investor and consumer confidence and restore economic growth. Canadians deserve no less from their elected officials," concluded Schumacker says.



**CHRISTMAS CRAFTS:** Little Rebecca was all smiles as she proudly displays part of her craft she was making at the English Christmas Tea held at Churchill Church on Saturday afternoon. – Traci Gardner Photo

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LEGION NEWS

By James Hayes  
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Comrades,

The Branch mourns the passing of our comrade, Harry Ascroft, a 25-year-member of Acton Legion who served with the RCAF during WWII. A Legion Tribute was held last evening, Wednesday, Dec. 10 at the MacKinnon Family Funeral Home. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his family at this most distressing time.

*At the going down of the Sun*

*And in the morning*

*We will remember them.*

Entertainment – Annual Christmas Turkey Roll, Dec. 20, 2pm-6pm in the games room, followed by a Christmas Show of seasonal Karaoke with Jesse and Troy. Mark your calendar; it's only a week away.

Members please note; The Branch club room will be open from 12pm – 6pm on Sunday, Dec. 14.

*Yours in comradeship,*

*Jim Hayes*

*Branch 197 PRO*

**Ladies Auxiliary News**

Qualifying District Cribbage was held in Milton, Nov. 29. Our cribbage team, Betty Green, Norma Titus, Kay James and Phyllis Bunn came in first and

they will be going on to the District Cribbage in Hamilton on March 14, 2009. Congratulations ladies.

Our Christmas Party and meeting had a wonderful, festive atmosphere with 48 ladies in attendance, Susan Poulsen did a great job with her helpers.

Our meal was excellent. Thank you Teresa Uiterwyk and a big thank you to our only Branch member, Keith Andrews for helping serve and Keith did all the cleaning up. Your help was greatly appreciated, and never forgotten.

We had a visit with Santa and his elf. I was one of the lucky ladies to sit on Santa's knee. Thanks Santa (David Maloney). Our little elf was so sweet handing out candy canes. I was tempted to sneak him home with me... (Jim Hayes)

The room was filled with Christmas music supplied by Peggy Harris and everyone had song sheets and sang along merrily.

I'd like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Yours in Comradeship*

*L.A. President,*

*Annamarie Lowin*

*Hugs & Kisses*

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