

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING:
Shoppers sampled delectable goodies and checked out unique kitchen gadgets at St. Alban Church's fundraiser on Friday evening.

— Marie Shadbolt photo



Town Digest

Good bye, Bruce

Halton Hills Council officially received a retirement notice from top planner, Bruce MacLean, on Monday night, and accepted a staff report to replace the Director of Planning, Development and Sustainability.

Mayor Rick Bonnette said MacLean was "hanging up his maps" after 30-plus years of helping make the Town what it is today. He called MacLean a dedicated and valued employee. He retires as of December 31.

The position will be posted internally and externally, and a staff committee will short list applications and present a list of candidates to the Corporate Affairs Committee which will make a recommendation. An organizational review determined no changes should be made to the existing management structure.

Accessible Taxi

E Z Taxi hopes to have a wheelchair accessible taxi in service before the end of the week, following Town Council's decision on Monday to lift the current freeze on new plates to allow for three accessible plates to be issued.

E Z owner Richard Wood, who was asked to service Acton after the Town put Blue Springs Taxi out of business over safety concerns, said he has a vehicle with a ramp ready for the road and it will be inspected and plated within days.

Georgetown Councillor Moya Johnson, who chairs the Accessibility Committee, authored a Notice of Motion asking staff to investigate the benefits of having a separate category for taxicab plates.

She said the ActiVan disabled transit service is not always available, and that wheelchair dependent people should have priority use of the three new taxis. Her motion asks the three cab companies operating in Halton Hills to provide ridership figures to help monitor accessible taxi requirements.

The ActiVan operates weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., offering curb-to-curb rides with no fixed routes or schedules. After-hours and weekend service is also available with 48-hour advance booking. Riders pay \$2 per ride for daytime trips and \$3 for after-hours service that operates seven days a week.

BRANCH No. 197 **LEGION NEWS** By Wayne Young P.R.O.

A tremendous turn out by the school children of Acton's four schools last Thursday November 11, helped to make this Remembrance Day service a day to remember. Both choirs and a bi-lingual rendition of In Flanders Field brought a joyful tear to more than a few Veterans' eyes. The Royal Canadian Legion wishes to thank the teachers and students for a job well done. Poppy Chairman John Wagg and Sgt.-at-Arms Tom Grant wish to thank the Colour Parties from both the Branch and the Ladies Auxiliary for doing the Veterans proud during a very busy week. The Air Cadets from Branch 197 Typhoon Squadron were entrusted with the very important task of providing the Honour Guard at the Acton Cenotaph, and did a wonderful job of it. George Elliot of the Acton Citizens Band, as always, did a marvelous rendition of the Last Post and Reveille, thank you George. The Legion extends a heartfelt thank you

to Monica and the staff of Super Cuts for once again disrupting their place of business so the Legion could set up a Remembrance window display in the downtown core. And thank you to Mike Mattocks and Keith Andrews for that lovely window display.

The Acton Legion would like to thank New Orleans Pizza for the pizzas delivered to the Veterans and participants of the Remembrance Day service as a heartfelt thank you to the Veterans. The kitchen in the Legion is very bright now that Keith Andrews has changed the light fixtures, so thank you Keith, who recommends sun glasses. Don't forget the Red Rascal Band invades the games room this Saturday, November 20 from 3 - 6 p.m. for some lively entertainment. Last call for tickets to the Seniors Christmas Dinner on Tuesday, November 30. Tickets are only \$5, and available at the bar. All proceeds go to local non-profit groups.

Ladies Auxiliary Notes

Susan has asked me to remind you that if you plan to attend our Christmas party you need to let her know by Sunday, November 21. The cost is \$20 payable to Susan. She is planning a very fun night for everyone.

We still have some members who have not paid their dues \$12. You know who you are! It is your responsibility to pay your dues on time in order to be a member in good standing. Please contact Helen VanOpstal in order to pay them. Let's make Helen's job a little easier and pay them on time. Thank you.

Also call Dolores Jordon if you can help with the banquets we are busy from now to the end of December.

*Yours in Comradeship,
Peggy Harris
President, Branch 197 LA*

CRIME STOPPERS

Welder stolen

An \$8,000 welder was stolen from a locked storage building on the Acton library construction site sometime overnight October 21. The crime is featured on this week's Crime Stoppers of Halton incident report, and police believe the suspect(s) used scaffolding on the north side of the building to get onto the roof and break into

a locked storage container. The Leister welder was moved to ground level and taken out through a hole cut in the fence.

Anyone with information about this or any crime can call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 or visit haltoncrimestoppers.com



ACTON 2010 CHRISTMAS HAMPER PROGRAM

Applications will be accepted at **The Salvation Army Church**

114 Mill Street East, Acton on the following dates

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

**November 23, 24 & 25
1:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Saturday, November 27

10:00 am - 12 Noon

Applications must be completed in person. Applicants are requested to bring Identification for all family members.

Acton Christmas Hamper Committee

The Salvation Army Family Services • Acton Rotary Club
St. Vincent Charities of St. Joseph, Patron of Canada
Knights of Columbus, Acton Council 8050



Old time Christmas

SCOTT WOODS
Canadian Fiddle Champion

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ACTON ONTARIO
SATURDAY, NOV. 27, 2010 • 7:30P.M.
Tickets - Adults \$20 - Ages 5-12 \$10 - under 5 free
Call church office 519-853-2360 or 853-0318, 853-0216, 856-9981
Refreshments served after the concert. CDs available.

JUST MOVED?

Call Betty Anne 519-853-1944

Our Hostess' Gifts and Information are the Key to Your New Community

CHURCHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH
presents

AN ENGLISH CHRISTMAS TEA

Saturday, December 4, 2010
from 1:00 to 4:00p.m.

Featuring cranberry scones, Devonshire cream, raspberry jam, finger sandwiches, sweets, and a selection of teas or coffee. Rounding out the event will be a bake table, Christmas gifts, crafts, penny sale, "Make & Take" table for the kids as well as a Special Christmas wreath raffle.

Cost for the Tea is \$8.00 per person

Churchill Road North and 32nd Sideroad in Acton