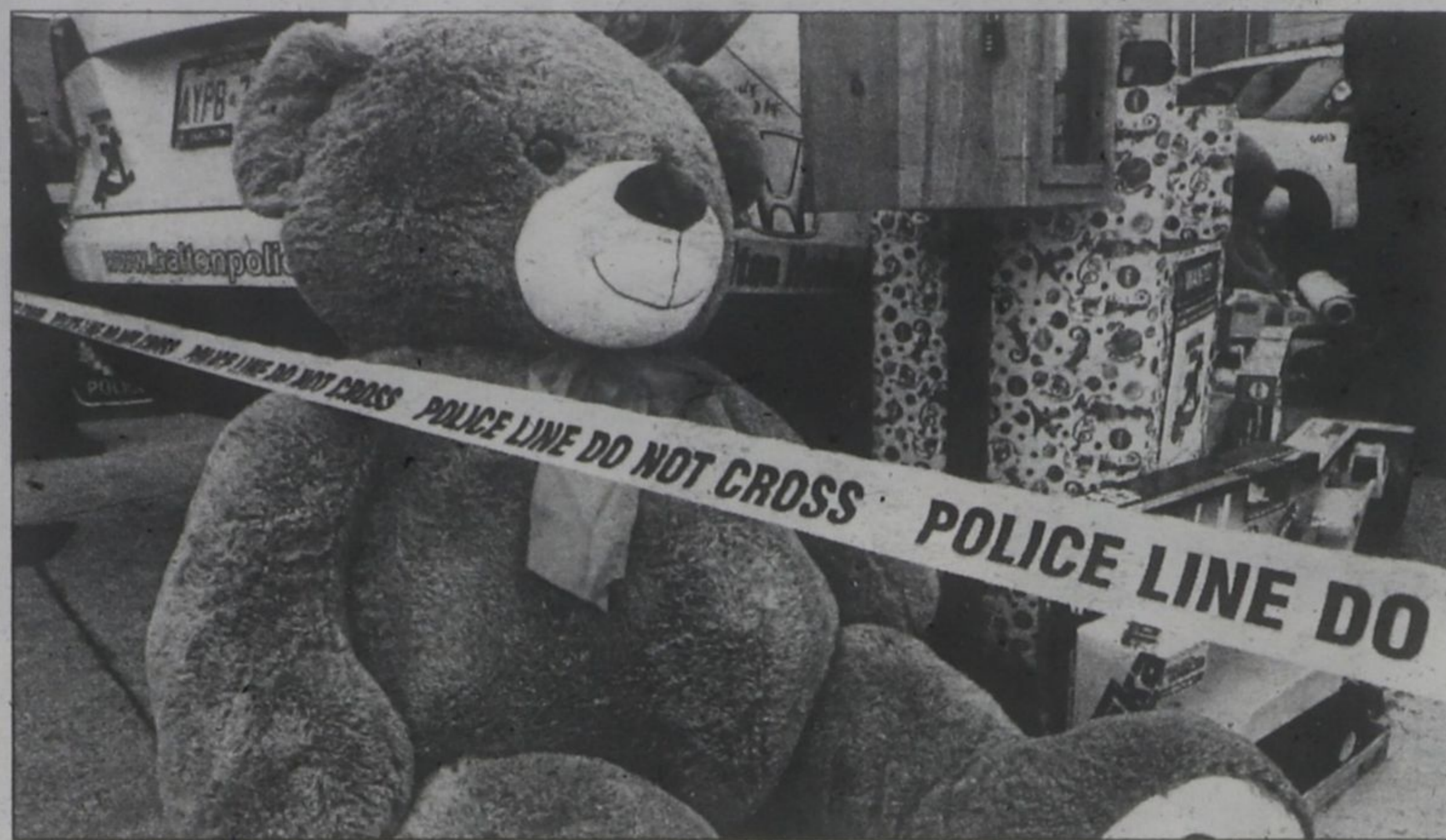


Record-breaking year for Halton police's Toys for Tots



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The Halton Regional Police Service's Toys for Tots campaign raised nearly \$350,000 in 2017.

Halton residents showed their generous spirit over the holidays, doing so in record-setting fashion in one case.

The Halton Regional Police Service enjoyed its most

successful Toys for Tots campaign to date - raising \$349,443 in 2017.

Thanks to the support of schools, sports teams, businesses and individuals, 4,897

families were able to celebrate the holiday season.

"In all of our campaign years, we have never seen such amazing results for the Toys for Tots campaign," said

Halton police chief Stephen Tanner. "I'm thankful that the Halton Regional Police Service, residents and community partners had a positive influence on the lives of local families in Halton. I'm proud that we all came together as one team to enhance our ability to meet the diverse needs of our community during the holiday season."

Among Halton police's major Toys for Tots donors was the Burlington Lions Optimist Minor Hockey Association, which raised nearly \$90,000, bringing its eight-year total donation to \$365,000. Their efforts are spearheaded by parent representative Shari Carruthers.

Officers, civilian, auxiliary and other volunteers donated their time to help with collection, packaging and delivery efforts, while Canadian Tire locations region-wide served as drop-off/pick-up sites.

Kids invited to name new RCMP puppies

Hey kids, the RCMP needs your help.

The agency's Police Dog Service Training Centre in Innisfail, Alberta will see 13 German shepherd puppies born this year, and children from coast to coast are invited to help name them this month.

The names will be original, imaginative and serve the puppies during their career as police service dogs.

The 13 children whose puppy names will be selected will each receive a laminated eight-by-10-inch photo of the puppy they named, a plush dog called Justice and an official RCMP baseball cap.

The rules of the contest are simple:

puppy names must begin with the letter "L" and have no more than two syl-

lables and nine letters; contestants must live in Canada and be 14 years old or younger;

only one entry per child must be sent;

entries must be sent no later than Feb. 28, 2018.

To participate, use the online form at www.rcmp-grc.ca/depot/pdstc-cdcp/name-the-puppy-nomme-le-chiot-eng.htm or mail your puppy name, own name, age, complete address and telephone number to:

2018 Name the Puppy Contest, RCMP Police Dog Service Training Centre?, P.O. Box 6120?, Innisfail, Alta. T4G 1S8

Those submitting names by email are welcome to including a drawing or painting.

Winners will be announced on April 10.

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