Volunteers sought for parade

It's time once again to welcome the 'Man in Red' to town.

The annual Santa Claus Parade will get underway at Main and Bronte street November 24 at 2

The parade will travel down Main Street and finish at the Milton Mall.

"It's unbelievable the Santa Claus Parade is around the corner,' said Paul Scherer, co-chair of the Santa Claus Parade Committee. "Last year we had over 100 entries."

Entry forms will be mailed out and will also be available at Main Street businesses such as M&M Meat Shops and Mike's Barber Shop.

This year's parade, 'Miracle on Main Street', will feature 12 bands including Milton Pipes and Drums and Halton region's Top Hat Band, Mr. Scherer said.

"We're looking for volunteers to help with the parade. We need people to hand out candy and dress up like clowns. The parade was fantastic last year."

He said the cost to enter the parade is \$100 — be it a float, a walking group, car or truck.

"It's time to start thinking about Christmas and getting the entries

"We are also accepting donations.

To sign up as a volunteer or for more information about the parade, call Laura at (905) 878-6347.

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Halton on doctor recruitment tour

A recent five-day physician recruitment tour helped put Halton on the radar screen for more than 200 graduating doctors.

The tour saw Halton representatives visit the five Ontario medical schools in hopes of attracting doctors to the region.

"Halton currently needs about 40 physicians, but the most acute need is in north Halton. Both Milton and Halton Hills are officially designated as under-serviced by the provincial government," said Angela Sugden Praysner, Halton's physician recruitment coordinator.

"With 90 communities across Ontario seeking an estimated 600 physicians, the tour can be quite competitive."

Each stop along the tour involved a trade-show style event, with communities constructing booths to highlight the benefits of their region.

"Halton has a lot to offer. Visitors to the Halton booths were attracted to the Region's proximity to major centres like Toronto and Hamilton, and the small-town appeal of north Halton communities," said Ms Sugden Praysner.

The tour was funded by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care and the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

United Way dinner and auction Friday

The United Way of Milton will celebrate its 20th anniversary with the Memories of the Past Dinner and Auction Friday.

The event will be held at Granite Ridge Golf and Country Club. Master of Ceremonies for the night include Mayor Gord Krantz, Walt Elliot, Ross Gross and Hal Watson.

Live and silent auctions will be held throughout the evening, featuring more than 100 items including a day at the track with CasCar driver Robin Buck and dinner for eight with Michael Burgess.

Tickets cost \$45. To reserve a seat or for more information, call (905) 875-2550.

Doug Barr to perform

Doug Barr, the popular children's singer and entertainer, will perform at St. Paul's United Church Saturday at 2 p.m.

Mr. Barr, who was raised in town and was a member of the church, has appeared on Mr. Dressup along with recording a children's CD.

Tickets cost \$5. For more information, call (905) 878-8895.



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