Nothing like a good mystery to get through those stormy nights

There's nothing quite like bundling up on the sofa and settling in for a good winter's read.

Mystery novels are the perfect guilty pleasures to get you through those dark and stormy nights.

So plump up the cushions, pour something warm into a mug, and try some of these suggestions from Milton Public when he turns up brutally murdered, our Library.

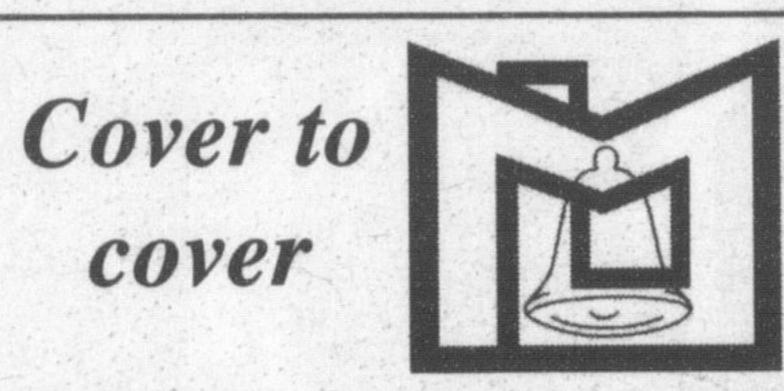
New mystery author Kate White introduces us to the plucky, single urbanite crime writer, Bailey Weggins. In A Body to Die For, Bailey accepts a free weekend at a toning spa in rural Massachusetts and settles in for some scented rest and relaxation.

After her first treatment, she discovers a corpse wrapped mummy-style on the massage table. Soon she's personally involved and on the trail of a killer.

P.D. James' mysteries begin when she sees a certain place, imagines the characters that might live there and devises the plot to follow.

In The Murder Room, a quaint old building from an architecture book becomes the famed Dupayne Museum and the setting for a family squabble.

The museum is on the brink of closing because one of its three sibling owners won't sign the contract to keep it going and,



favourite sleuth Commander Adam Dalgleish is called in to investigate.

In Charles Todd's historical mysteries, Inspector Rutledge has an unusual companion.

Once a fellow soldier, shot for disobeying orders to send more young men to be slaughtered, the ghost of Hamish MacLeod now only exists as the voice of reason and conscience in Inspector Rutledge's head.

As a survivor of the grim First World War trenches, Rutledge has seen his fair share of the horrors that have left him scarred physically and mentally.

In this sixth book, A Fearsome Doubt, Rutledge is visited by the widow of a man he helped send to the gallows for murder. New evidence has turned up that may find the man wrongly convicted.

The Funeral Boat is the fourth mystery by Kate Ellis to feature Detective Sergeant Wesley Peterson.

With a degree in archaeology Peterson is well-placed to investigate the unearthing of old bones and decide whether to call in the police forensics unit or the local university's anthropology department.

This absorbing blend of murder ancient and new — makes an enjoyable winter's read.

The mystery novels of Stephen Booth are set in England's remote Peak District. In Blood on the Tongue, Booth's third novel, DC Ben Cooper and his partner and supervisor DS Diane Fry are coping with the discovery of three bodies.

One is a young woman found frozen to death on wintry Irontongue Hill.

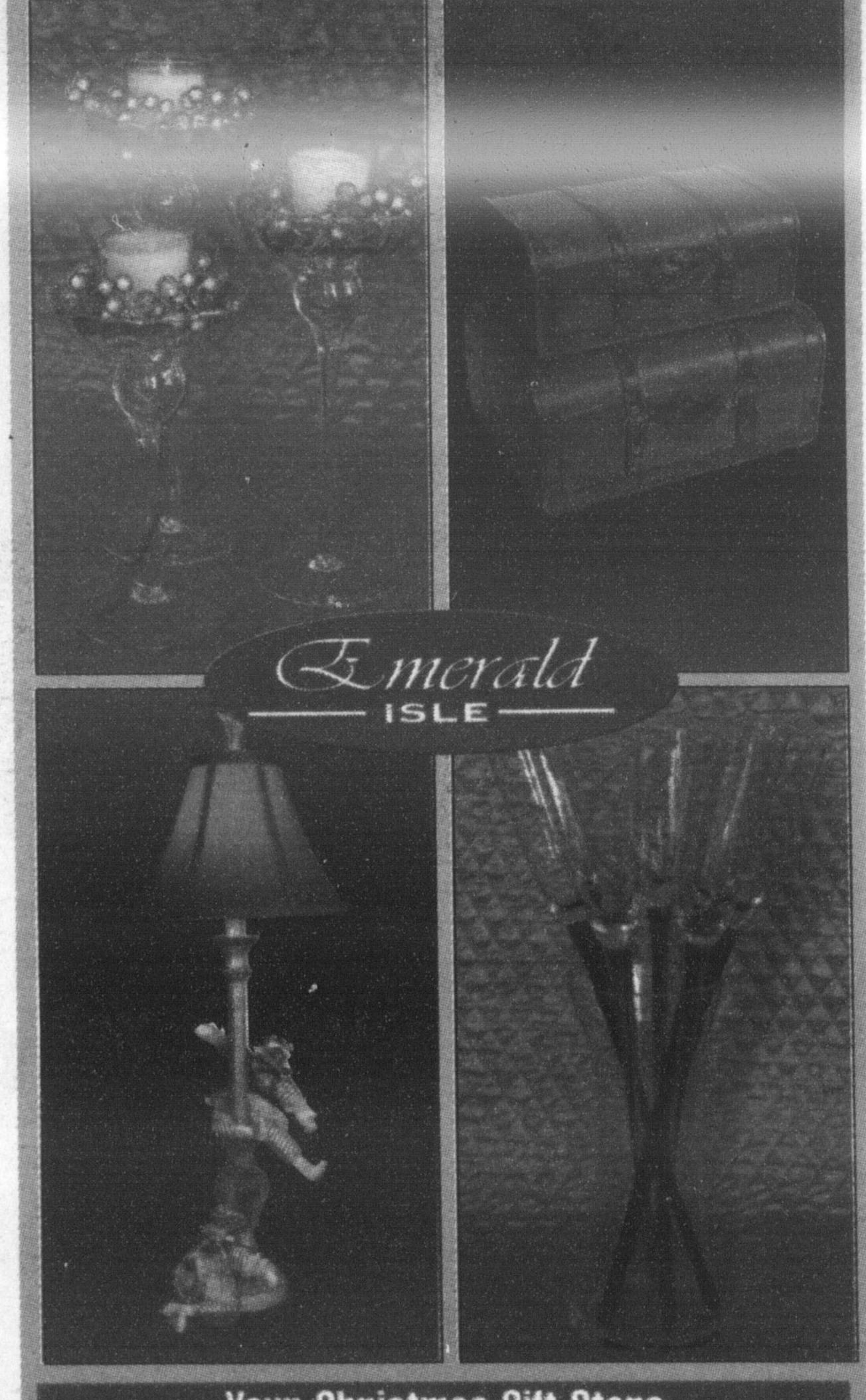
The second is a body discovered in the wreckage of a downed Second World War plane and a third is uncovered by a snowplough:

Cooper and Fry tie these strands together in a satisfying conclusion.

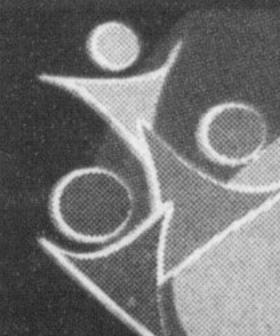
If you have run out of mysteries, or any other types of fiction to read, we can help. Just ask the staff at the information desk, or check out our Web page resources.

Happy reading!

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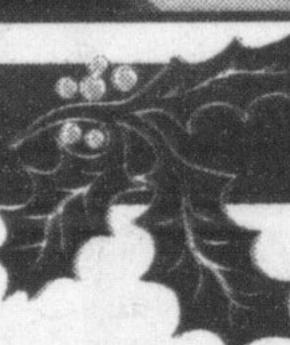
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Halton Regional Council and staff wish you a safe and happy holiday season.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Bid documents for the services listed below, addressed to the Manager of Purchasing, 1151 BRONTE ROAD, OAKVILLE, ON L6M 3L1 will be received until 2:00 p.m. Oakville time on the specified closing date. Bid documents can be seen or obtained through the Purchasing Division of the Corporate Services Department, same address as above, telephone 905-825-6000, extension 7042 If long distance charges apply, dial toll free 1-866-4HALTON (1-866-442-5866).

Documents will be available for pick up on and after Thursday December 11,2003, and there is a non-refundable deposit of \$16.05 (includes GST). Bidders who request documents to be shipped from the Purchasing Department must include a handling fee of \$10.70 (includes GST) for this service. Bid Documents are also available to download from Halton's web-site at www.region.halton.on.ca/bids for a non-refundable deposit of \$10.70 (includes GST).

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