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Community Notebook

Gift of Life: The gift-giving season is drawing near and organizers of Milton's November blood donor clinic are banking on the Christmas spirit arriving tomorrow. The fourth and final clinic of the year will be held at E. C. Drury School for the Hearing Impaired from 1:30 to 8 p.m. on Nov. 22. Previous donors are encouraged to bring a friend. Domino's supplies free pizza to clinic participants.

Christmas Art Show: 'Canadiana Christmas' is the title of an art show and sale that celebrates the talents of local artists. The month-long event is being hosted by Wyget Woods Art Gallery in rural Milton. The exhibition begins today (Wednesday) and runs until Sunday Dec. 23. Ideal for Christmas gifts, the sale will include a cross-section of works produced by craftspeople, artisans and artists. The gallery is located 8 km north of Highway 401, 2 km east of Guelph Line on No. 20 Sideroad between Campbellville and Rockwood.

E. C. Drury Presents: Students at E. C. Drury High School are taking to the stage with a production of *Gyps and Dolls*. The musical runs Nov. 28, 29, 30 and Dec. 1 at the school beginning at 7:30 nightly. Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door for \$8. Call 878-0575 for information.

Vietnamese Volunteer: A volunteer who speaks Vietnamese fluently is needed to work with a family which has recently moved to the area. The volunteer would be required to help the family learn about community resources and develop skills to help these new Canadians cope with life here. Anyone who speaks Vietnamese and could spend a time with this family is asked to call Corrie Galloway at Halton Children's Aid Society 844-8211.

Here Comes Santa: Milton's Santa Claus Parade will roll into town this Saturday. The parade route begins at the fairgrounds and takes Santa, marching bands and floats along Main Street to Milton Mall.

Children's Show: Doug Barr, a former Milton resident, will be using his own brand of music to entertain children at St. Paul's United Church on Saturday afternoon. With two recordings for children under his belt, Doug has plenty of musical ammunition to keep youngsters amused. The Nov. 24 show starts at 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$4 each and are available at Harris Stationery or by calling 878-6807, 878-8011 or 878-6430.

Meet the Artist: Painter Shirley Deaville will be at the Harrop Restaurant and Gallery on Sunday, Nov. 25 from noon to 4 p.m. to promote her water-colour series *Remember When*. Originals and prints will be available. The gallery is located at 345 Steeles Ave.

Milton student in the running for Junior Citizen of the Year

By KAREN SMITH

At the age of 18, Annelise Noronha is entering the adult world with a reputation as being a friend to all and a model citizen. The people who are familiar with the Bishop Reding Secondary School graduate call her responsible, warm and genuine. And Miss Noronha's attributes have earned her a nomination for an Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year Award. The award, sponsored by the Ontario Community Newspapers Association, recognizes outstanding young people across the province.



A gifted student, Miss Noronha was nominated by Bernice Hollett of Campbellville. "Her bubbly personality made me know her better and learn to appreciate her as a special person in a teenage world."

Mrs. Hollett first met Miss Noronha when she became friends with her daughter in high school. "Over the last four years, I have visited the school frequently and was often greeted by a group of teenagers—but especially Annelise who would give me a genuine and endearing hug," she said. Miss Noronha has a long list of accomplishments. Currently, she teaches piano, organ, guitar and drums to students 12-17 years of age at the Ontario Conservatory of Music in Milton. In high school, she participated in a leadership development program which involved assisting senior citizens at Halton Centennial Manor, working with handicapped children at Wee Daycare Centre and comforting battered women at Halton Women's Place.

"She is always in the school play and fits into her parts with enthusiasm, energy and spirit," added Mrs. Hollett. A talented musician, Miss Noronha participates in school concert and jazz bands, and, as a hobby, plays in her own band outside school.

She is also a winner of many awards for academic achievement, her Christian way of life and her debating abilities. Miss Noronha is an asset at home as well, said Mrs. Hollett. "She willingly completes her chores around the house, helps her younger brother with school projects and helps transport her grandparents. When any member of the family is sick, Annelise is always there to comfort and help them."

Meanwhile, Miss Noronha doesn't see her good deeds as being out of the ordinary. She said her nomination for an Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year Award came as a surprise.

"I didn't expect it at all," added the humble young woman. "But it's a good feeling."



Annelise Noronha, 18, has been nominated for an Ontario Junior Citizen of the Year Award.

Her mother Lorna Noronha is particularly proud of her daughter. Mrs. Noronha and her husband Edwin moved to Milton from England in 1975.

After finishing Grade 13 at Bishop Reding Secondary School, Miss Noronha hopes to either enroll in a college recording engineering program or major in music at a university.

This is your personal invitation to volunteering

How do people initially become involved in volunteering? A 1987 Statistics Canada survey of voluntary activity revealed an interesting answer to this question.

The survey indicated that more than 12 million Canadians over the age of 15 volunteered during the previous year. More than one-third of them engaged in formal volunteer work.

When asked how they first became involved in volunteering, 28 per cent said they approached a volunteer centre or a specific organization often in response to a newspaper ad or article.

Five per cent of the respondents helped start the organization for which they volunteered, and five per cent said they were introduced to organizations as a result of working with related groups.

By far, the majority said they initially became volunteers "because someone asked them to do something." Thirteen said a friend asked them to help, and 49 per cent said they were asked individually by someone in a voluntary organization.

We all usually respond more readily to a direct request for help. We might pass by

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general appeals for volunteers because we don't see ourselves as having anything to offer, or because we don't feel personally invited or encouraged to participate.

Please consider this a personal invitation—a direct request for assistance.

Volunteers are currently being sought for a wide variety of placements, including the following:

• Individuals with musical, creative or artistic talents, or a hobby or skill, are invited to share them with young people in a secure custody facility. The program would run once a week for 10 weeks at a time convenient to the volunteer.

• A volunteer "property manager" is being sought to inspect a Milton facility once a month, and report on the need for repairs

to the non-profit agency which operates it. This assignment can be carried out at the convenience of the volunteer.

• Volunteers with clerical skills or interest in developing them are urgently being sought by a local voluntary agency to help out one night a week or every other week. Some work could also be done at home, at the convenience of the volunteer.

• A very special volunteer is needed to assist with programs designed to develop the skills of children or adults with developmental handicaps. This assignment involves only a little time each week, but can make an enormous difference in someone's life.

• Put your artistic abilities to good use, and help a local agency develop promotional materials such as flyers, invitations, letterhead, or brochures.

For more information about volunteering, call the Milton Volunteer Centre at 876-4756. Appointments can be arranged in the evening or on weekends, as well as during the regular work week.

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