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Fi-gar-o, Fi-gar-o

Milton's Amanda Trimble, 9, warms up her vocal chords prior to competing in her first solo vocal contest at the Milton Music Teachers' Association 13th annual music festival on Monday.

Firewood for good hearted

The owner of tree-cutting service is offering firewood in exchange for a donation to a family that recently lost their home to fire.

Greg Hill of Maple Hill Tree Services, who has run similar fundraisers for charity causes before, will give firewood to donors this Saturday (May 11) from 8 a.m. through 4 p.m.

It is in aid of the Popp family, who were burned out of their Nassagaweya property recently. The family of six did not have fire insurance because it was impossible to obtain on their 100-year-old home, they said.

Maple Hill Tree Services is located on Ninth Line in Hornby, one mile south of Derry Road on the west side.



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Bill coming due for all that jail overtime

By **KAREN SMITH**
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The amount of overtime pay earned by Maplehurst jail managers and their colleagues across the province during the civil servants' strike has yet to be tallied.

Senior staff who worked around the clock to keep the peace during the five-week Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) battle with the Mike Harris government are set to cash in.

However, the government is waiting for some managers to submit overtime claims, said Ross Virgo, spokesman for the Ministry of Correctional Services.

"People who had scheduled time off for March Break immediately went away after the strike and they're just now getting themselves sorted out."

Salaried administrative managers, including superintendents and operational managers, worked "extraordinary overtime hours" to maintain safety at the Martin Street jail and the 48 other correctional institutions across the province, he said.

Some managers will collect pay for every hour they were inside the institution, whether they were showering, sleeping or on assigned duty, he said.

"These people were required to be in the institution largely because we were not sure what to expect from the OPSEU members during the strike."

Maplehurst's senior managers often only had one day off every two weeks, Mr. Vir-

go said. "Most of them were in with very few breaks - few chances to get home and see the family." It may be a month before the overtime tally is available, he said.

Deemed an essential service, jail guards were required to work during the civil servants' strike.



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