

Gift of reading enlightens and brightens

95th birthday celebration

Congratulations to Earl Tate of Parkview Apartments, who celebrated his 95th birthday with his family on Dec. 1, at the home of his daughter Earlene Hoover of R.R. 2, Markham.

Give the gift of reading

Looking for Christmas stocking ideas for the over-sevens?

Drop into Whitchurch-Stouffville Library and pick up a library card for your child.

It won't cost you anything, and it will encourage him or her to make use of the library's many resources, including talking books and videos, free of charge.

If you're a regular library user, you can give something back by adopting a book this Christmas. The staff will provide you with a list of titles and you can pick the one you'd like to donate.

The inside of the book will contain a plate giving the name of the donor and the occasion for which it was given.

The evening book club got off to a flying start Dec. 5th.

The first "assignment" for members is to read a mystery novel featuring a female detective, so that they can join a discussion on this theme at the next meeting.

Members hope to cover a wide range of topics, from humor to CanLit, and plan to meet again on Wednesday, Jan. 16th at 7 p.m. at Latcham Gallery.

Newcomers are welcome. For more information call 640-2395.

Sorority's night out

Seventeen sorority members from the XI Epsilon XI chapter enjoyed a wonderful Christmas dinner on Tuesday, Dec. 12th at The Earl of Whitchurch.

"There was nobody else upstairs that night, I think



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they stayed away on purpose," noted Sally Sandford.

"We made quite a lot of noise, but we had a wonderful meal and a good time."

Kids go wild for NKOTB

Stouffville's young set was well represented at SkyDome on Sat. Dec. 8th when the New Kids On The Block hit Toronto.

Said Jenny May, 10, "it was the best, but it was loud."

"The group was fine, but the crowd was screaming."

The concert tickets were a birthday treat for Jason Cumbers, 10 and friends Michael Evans and Nick Barrell.

"It was very good," said Jason, "but it was very loud and there were many people screaming. I thought the opening acts were a bit boring."

Ashley McPherson, 9, a big Joe McIntyre fan, said the crowd was "quite loud, but not that bad."

"The sound was bad at SkyDome, but the concert was the best."

Bah, humbug

John Lord, well-known

curmudgeon and local book store owner, has been trying to track down a Scrooge outfit to wear in the store during the Christmas season.

So far he's had no luck, but he definitely plans to adopt the guise of his hero next year, if not in 1990.

Looking back over Christmases past, John recalled a memorable occasion when a lady came in searching for a book of the Christmas story.

"Her only prerequisite was that it should have no religious connotations."

Christmas donations requested

Comrades' Food Bank and Clothing Centre is seeking donations of quality clothing, food and furniture so that they can help needy area families at Christmas. Donations can be dropped off at the group's new premises in the Ballantrae Plaza, on Highway 48 south of the Aurora Sideroad, between 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Wednesday to Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday.

For more information call 642-2936.

Santa loves letters

Christmas mail for Santa has been coming in thick and fast at Stouffville Post Office and there's still time to drop off a note if you hurry.

Santa's helper Pat Dyck says kids have asked for

everything from Barbie houses and clothes to computers, and adds that Santa will do his best to answer all the letters he gets before Christmas.

She suggests last minute letters be dropped off directly at the post office, otherwise they go out of town to be sorted, and won't get to their destination in time.

Hats off to the staff at Canada Post for helping to making Christmas extra special for local children.

Students compete in speaking contest

Fourteen students at Orchard Park Public School took part in the school's junior division public speaking competition last Friday.

Two entrants were selected from each class and a wide range of topics was covered including bird watching, the excitement of being selected for a rep hockey team and the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre.

Judges were Mrs. B.I. Wideman, Mrs. Doreen Brown, Mr. Jim Thomas and Mrs. Sue Chewins.

First place honors went to Matt Medley in Grade five who, although he was battling laryngitis, gave an amusing and well presented speech on manners.

Tiffany Rennick from Grade 5 was second with an entertaining discourse on her love of animals, and Grade 6 student Julia Peters' speech on what it would be like to come back to life in another body was selected for third place.

Pamela Defino, from Grade 4, came in fourth with a heartfelt complaint on the dubious joys of living with siblings.

The winner will go on to compete in the Area F competition.

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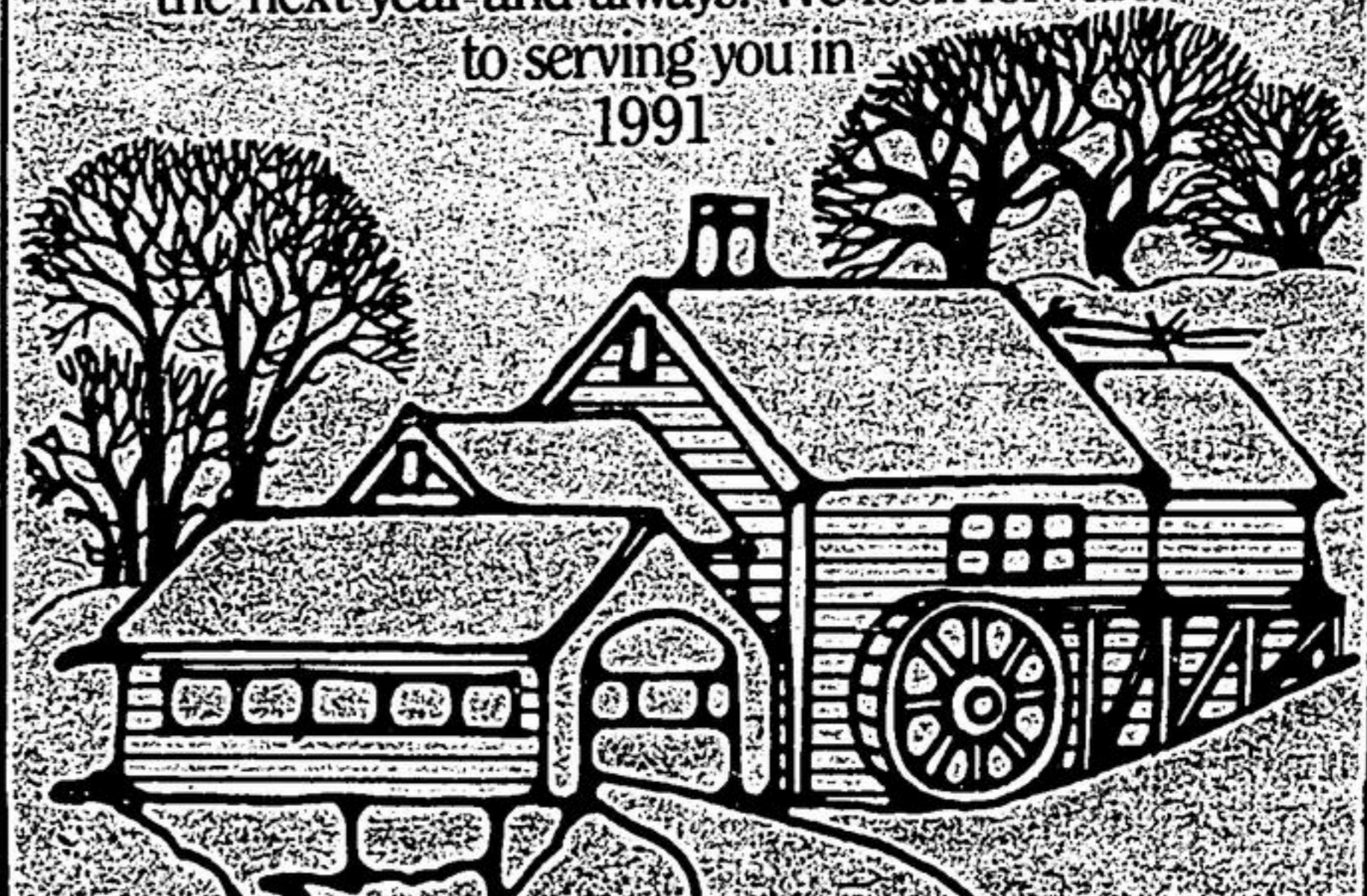
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Merry Christmas

Our warmest wishes for a safe, happy holiday season and prosperity and peace in the next year and always. We look forward to serving you in 1991



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