

# Santa parade provided plenty of entertaining sights, sounds

**SANTA ARRIVES** Even the mud and threatened rain couldn't dampen last Saturday's Santa Claus Parade, which included floats both funny and fabulous. Budget Towing's Addams Family was a standout, with the strange and satisfyingly sinister clan all aboard to wish everyone a creepy Christmas. Even Thing, who was darting about merrily on nimble fingers, had a hand in the event.

Newly elected Mayor Wayne Emmerson was keeping a tight rein on the horses pulling him and his council colleagues: let's hope that's a good omen for our taxes. Dogs, horses, all terrain vehicles and, as always, our Viking friends, rowing manfully down Main Street, were all part of the fun. A big thank-you to the Stouffville Kinsmen for their hard work in organiz-



ing the parade.  
**DONATIONS SOUGHT**  
 The Stouffville Lions Club welcomes donations of new, or nearly new, toys, books, games and gift items for all ages to make Christmas special for needy local families. Financial contributions are also appreciated, or you can choose to 'sponsor' a specific family through the club. Donations can be dropped off at: The Stouffville Tribune, the Stouffville Sun, the Markham-Stouffville Credit Union, CIBC, Birkett-Hassard Insurance and the Toronto Domin-

ion Bank in the A & P plaza. A pick-up of donations can be arranged by calling Cliff Aiken at 640-2153.

**CARE AND SHARE AT CHRISTMAS** If you're looking for one-of-a-kind gifts, cards and decorations with a special meaning, drop into the Care and Share Shoppe on Stouffville's Main Street. The store offers unique and beautiful hand-crafted gifts from developing countries. All profits from sales are returned to the Third World and go

towards employing the artisans, providing them with jobs which will help them support their families. This week gift baskets are featured and a free Christmas decoration will be given away with a purchase of \$10 or more on selected gifts.

**GALLERY NEWS** Artist John Leonard will visit the Latcham Gallery at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 13 to present a free lecture on contemporary art issues and the gallery's present exhibition 'Collaborations,' which combines various

print processes with neon lights, glass, ceramic sculptures and paint. A new series of art classes for children, with Judy Bear Campbell, will run Saturdays from 2 to 4 p.m. from Jan. 28 to Mar. 11, with the exception of Feb. 18. Pre-registration is required and a second session will be added Saturday mornings if necessary.

The fee is \$65 including materials. To register, or for information, call the gallery at 640-2395.

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