

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Community non-profit groups in Whitchurch-Stouffville are welcome to place their coming events in this column at no charge. Please send your notice to Community Calendar at the Stouffville Sun-Tribune, Box 154, Stouffville, L4A 7Z5 (fax number 905-640-8778), or drop it off at the office, 34 Civic Ave., 3rd Floor. Deadline is Mondays at 6 p.m. Publication cannot be guaranteed but we will make every effort to ensure it is included. Please be brief.

NOTICES

Recycling depot: Are you a local history buff? Do you like to interview, research and write? If so, please contact Jim at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Recycling Group at 905-640-8294 or e-mail to recycle@enoreo.on.ca

Beyond craft: The Latham Gallery fundraiser, "Beyond Craft," continues until Dec. 12. More than 40 artisans from southern Ontario have created jewelry, pottery, baskets, soaps, holiday decorations, garden sculptures and more. Craft show hours at the gallery, 6240 Main St. in Stouffville, are Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Fridays from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. For more information, call 905-640-8954.

Ballantrae Guides: There are still spaces available in the Ballantrae Sparks, Brownies and Guides every Monday night at 6:30 p.m. at the Ballantrae Community Centre on Aurora Road west of Ninth Line. Volunteers are welcome. For more information, call 905-640-4084.

Come to Tot Spot: Tot Spot is a fun, interactive play group for parents, caregivers and their children from newborn to six years old. Tot Spot runs Monday through Thursday from 9:15 to 11 a.m. in the basement of Stouffville United Church, 34 Church St. First visit is free. For more information, call 905-642-2603.

SPECIAL EVENTS

TOMORROW

YDAPA Christmas: The York Durham Academy for the Performing Arts presents its Christmas concert, an Academy Christmas, at 7:30 p.m. at EastRidge Evangelical Community Church on 10th Line north of Main Street in Stouffville. More than 150 YDAPA cast members and the children's choir will perform.

Festival of lights: The Stouffville Business Improvement Area's (BIA) annual Festival of Lights starts at 7 p.m. in the Clock Tower square in the heart of Stouffville. Entertainment by local dance schools, musicians, soloists and a Christmas presentation by Lighthouse Baptist Church. Santa will visit. There will be free hot chocolate and candy canes and gifts while they last.

Legion entertainment: The Stouffville Royal Canadian Legion holds its Friday

night dance from 7 to 11 p.m. featuring the Retrofits. Wings are available for a light supper. Every Saturday at 3 p.m. in the Legion clubroom, join members for Meat Rolls. Spin to win.

SATURDAY

Santa Claus parade: The Stouffville Kinsmen Santa Claus parade starts 2 p.m. from 10th line and Cam Fella Boulevard before proceeding west along Main Street. There will be floats, school entries, service clubs, bands and, of course, Santa. There is no charge for non-profit groups and a \$25 fee for commercial float entries. To register a float or other entry, call 905-640-5004.

Christmas vacation Bible school: Stouffville United Church holds a mini-Christmas vacation Bible school today and Dec. 11 from 9 to 11:45 p.m. For children ages four to 10. Moms and/or dads are welcome to attend for Christmas stories, crafts, music and snacks. Pre-registration is required. The church is at 34 Church St. For more information, call 905-640-1163.

SUNDAY

Choral service: Stouffville United Church, 34 Church St., presents a choral service at 7 p.m., featuring the junior, youth and senior choirs as well as a soloist and guest musicians with a Christmas celebration Hallelujah to the Child. Everyone is welcome.

TUESDAY, DEC. 7

Crazy ladies: The Crazy Ladies quilt and craft club meets upstairs at the Stouffville Arena from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Bring any craft to work on. A door prize will be drawn. Cost per meeting is \$5. Call 905-640-0750 or log on to CrazyLadiesClub@hotmail.com

Adult skating: The Stouffville Adult Skating Club meets at the Stouffville Arena on Ninth Line, north of Main Street, at 8:55 p.m. Skaters older than 16 are welcome. For more information call 905-640-1149.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 8

Bethesda women: The Bethesda Women's Institute meets at noon for a potluck luncheon at Melville United Church on Kennedy Road. Bring a friend. Donations will be accepted for the Yonge Street Mission.

THURSDAY, DEC. 9

Christmas store: Stouffville Christian School is holding its second annual craft,

gift and bake sale. All purchases are gift wrapped free. The craft show continues on Dec. 10 and 11. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. The school is at 565 Uxbridge-Pickering Townline (known as Altona Rd. off York/Durham 30). Call 905-640-3297.

FRIDAY, DEC. 10

Christmas play: In the Fullness of Time, this year's Christmas musical at Springvale Baptist Church, continues Dec. 11 and 12 at 7 p.m. A donkey will be on stage with the cast re-enacting the Christmas story. The cast of 12, along with a 40-member choir, will incorporate music, dance and drama into the play. Free admission. Nursery available. The church is at 3885 Stouffville Rd. Call 905-887-5651 for more information.

Write for rights: Help your local Amnesty International group observe International Human Rights Day by signing a postcard or writing a short letter to help protect human rights. Join Amnesty's Global Writethon at Unionville Public Library between 9:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 1-800-amnesty or log on to www.amnesty.ca/writethon

SATURDAY, DEC. 11

Bach to Blues concert: The Bach to Blues Company and guest artists present Sing We Joyful, then and now Christmas concert at Christ Church Anglican, 254 Sunset Blvd. in Stouffville. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and is in support of Christ Church's ministries. For tickets, call 905-640-5999.

Candlelight Christmas: The Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum in Vancor, presents a Candlelight Christmas at 6 or 7:30 p.m. sharp. Join costumed staff on this evening tour. Sample 19th-century foods, entertainment and decorations in the pioneer log cabin and Victorian farmhouse. Enjoy a horse-drawn wagon ride followed by hot apple cider, traditional baking and Christmas carols. Advance tickets are required: \$10 for adults and \$7.50 for children. The museum is at 14732 Woodbine Ave. Call 905-727-8954 or 1-888-290-0337 for more information.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15

Christmas carolling: The Mayor's Youth Committee invites all young people for a pizza and pop party at 6 p.m. at the Silver Jubilee Club in Stouffville, followed by Christmas carolling in the community at 7 p.m.

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