

CHRISTMAS

# Dear Santa:

## Stouffville's celebrities want their coffee, cologne, peace

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World peace. Tim Hortons. A solid election debate.

Whitchurch-Stouffville's celebrities and personalities certainly have a variety of items on their Christmas wish lists.

We asked several what they're asking Santa for — and what they'd wish for their home town.

Karen Cockburn and husband

Mathieu Turgeon got their biggest wish answered this fall.

Their first child, Emilie Sydney Turgeon, was born to the Olympic trampoline medallists Sept. 24. (They're on the cover today.)

"I'd like to get some sleep," said Ms Cockburn, who recently started training again.

Her body is feeling the aches and pains after her long period of inactivity, she said.

And for the community, a gymnastics centre or club, she said.

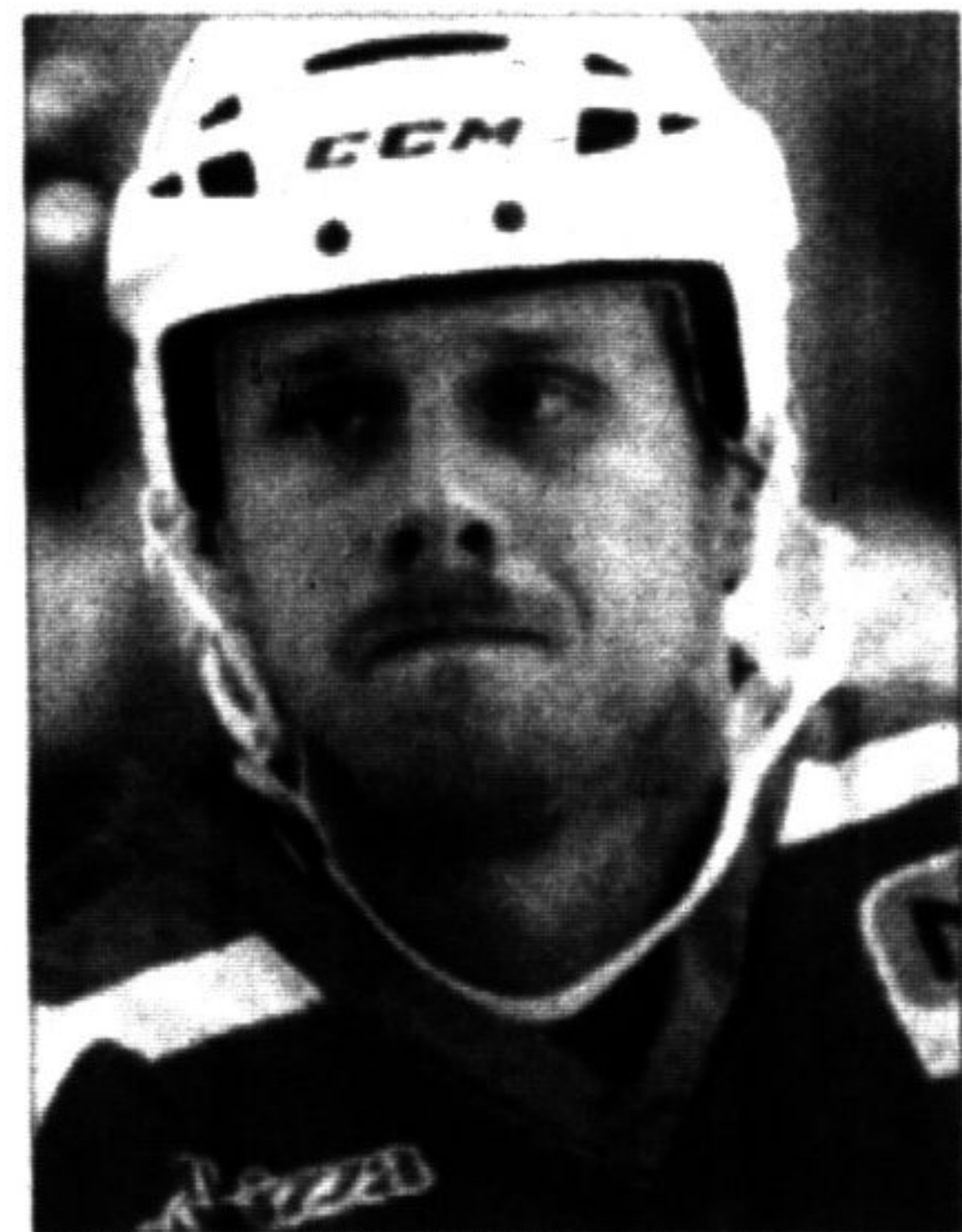
Mayor Wayne Emmerson isn't sure he made the "nice" list this year, but if he did, he hopes Santa leaves him a remote starter for his truck, a new snow shovel, a new set of golf clubs and golf lessons.

When it comes to his wish list for the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, he wants "a place for everyone to park so we can clean the snow off the roads, slower vehicles so people will slow down on their streets and good health and happiness to all."

Helena Jaczek, MPP for Oak Ridges-Markham has one simple request for Santa — grandchildren.

She would also like the MPPs at Queen's Park to work together. "The last year was painful."

When it comes to what she would like from Santa for the municipality, it's "a healthy debate leading



STEPHEN WEISS: Detroit Red Wing forward would like a Tim Hortons near his Ballantrae-area home.



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Sofia Mucci, 3 1/2 and sister Stella, 1 1/2, have different reactions to Santa as helper Chelsea Scott looks on during a holiday family event at SoccerCity Sunday. Adults are also asking for goodies from Mr. Claus.

up to the 2014 municipal election because there are going to be some changes".

### RICK MERCER'S SCENT

Paul Calandra, the MP for Oak Ridges-Markham, would personally like to find under his Christmas tree "a bottle of Rick Mercer's cologne Obfuscation, www.AskTomMulcair.com and a Justin Trudeau bobblehead."

"For the Whitchurch-Stouffville community I'd like continued economic prosperity and growth through 2014 and beyond."

Edward Nelles, executive director of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Chamber of Commerce, doesn't

want any particular thing, but he would "like to know that weight loss is more than just a theory".

For the town, Mr. Nelles would like "a vibrant business centre surrounded by a thriving agricultural community. I'd like Stouffville to be for York Region just what Central Park is for Manhattan".

Carolyn Nordheimer James, CEO of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library, has a very simple wish for herself, but it won't fit under the tree. She would like peace on earth and goodwill to all.

"For the Whitchurch-Stouffville community I'd like a community that is dynamic, revolutionary, equitable, accessible and multicul-

tural."

Stephen Weiss, one of the newest Detroit Red Wings, says he'd really "like to be healthy for Christmas". For the Whitchurch-Stouffville community, "I'd like to see more Tim Hortons outlets near where I live," the Ballantrae-area resident said from Motown.

Kenny Burrows, the general manager and part owner of the Stouffville Spirit Jr. A Hockey Club, is asking for some more victories for Christmas.

"Santa, I'd like to make the playoffs for Christmas," he said.

And for the community, Kenny? "Less traffic," said the lifelong area resident.

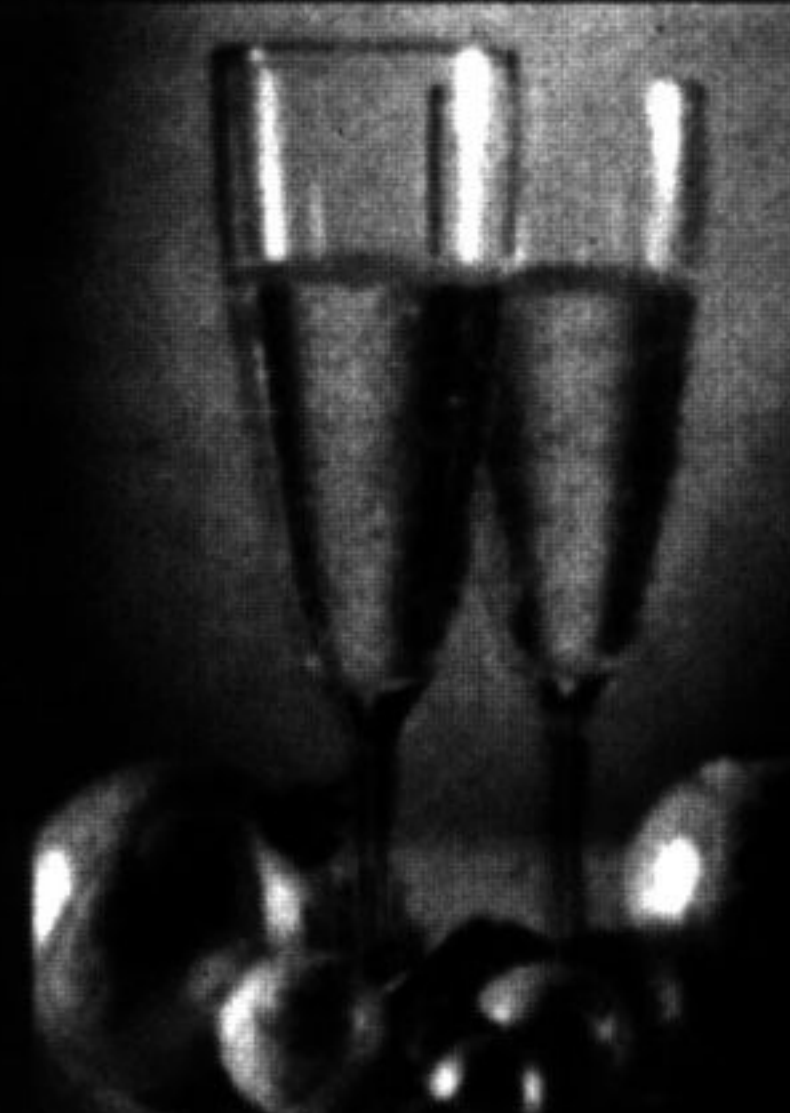
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