

Stitching Up A Caring Community

As long-time head of the Witchurch-Stouffville Food Bank, Marion Wells has helped to build a more caring community.

When WS YOU 177 heard that the food bank had been robbed, they presented Marion with a surprise gift of an orange scarf to show their concern. The 'scarfing' is part of a community-wide initiative which encourages local knitters and crocheters to contribute orange scarves to those who contribute to the community, as well as to those who need some extra caring themselves.

"Orange is the new colour of caring

in Witchurch-Stouffville," said Susan Bosak, who heads the Legacy Project which is part of the WS YOU 177 collaborative. "What better way to show people of all ages that we care than with a cozy, handmade scarf?"

Whether you're a seasoned knitter or a beginner, you will be warmly welcome at the Loops group, an intergenerational knitting and crocheting group which meets every Tuesday from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Parkview Home. For full details on Loops and other WS YOU initiatives visit www.wsyou177.org or call 905-640-8914.

Christmas Countdown at 55 Plus

By Rochelle D'souza

Christmas lunch at the 55 Plus Club will be held on Thursday, Dec. 4 at noon. The menu will include roast turkey with stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce, mashed

potatoes, peas and trifle for dessert. The \$20 cost includes entertainment and the lunch is for members only. New members are welcome and the annual fee is just \$10.

Information Tune-Up



Tim and Joanne Rochacewich catch up on fall community news in Stadtpark, Vienna in front of a statue of 'Waltz King' Johann Strauss.

UP AND COMING

The Stouffville Free Press welcomes community event listings from non-profit groups and organizations. Please send a brief synopsis of upcoming events by email to stouffvillefreepress@rogers.com or call 905-640-3733. The deadline for the January issue is Dec. 16. For event updates visit stouffville.com.

- Dec. 1:** 10:15-10:45 a.m. weekly at the library: Storytime for ages 2 to 6.
- Dec. 1:** 7-7:30 p.m. weekly at the library: Storytime for ages 2 to 6.
- Dec. 1:** 4-5 p.m. weekly at the library: After School Chess Club for ages 7 and up.
- Dec. 1:** 7 p.m. at Hilton Toronto/Markham Suites: Night to Celebrate includes cocktails, dinner and fashion show with proceeds to the Breast Health Centre at Markham Stouffville Hospital. For tickets call 905-472-9566.
- Dec. 2:** 10:00 a.m.-noon: Seniors' Christmas Party at the library with music and refreshments.
- Dec. 2:** 10:30-11 a.m. weekly at the library: Storytime for ages 2 to 6.
- Dec. 3:** 2-5 p.m. weekly at the library: Tech help drop-in.
- Dec. 4:** 1-2:30 p.m. weekly at the library: OEYC Sing and Sign for babies to 14 months.
- Dec. 4:** 7-8 p.m. at the municipal offices: Library Board Meeting.
- Dec. 5:** 7 p.m. at Stouffville GO train station: Downtown Light Tour. All welcome.
- Dec. 5:** 7 p.m. at SoccerCity: Free Youth Movie Night:

- Elf.
- Dec. 6:** 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m. at the library: Red Cross Babysitting Course for ages 11 to 15.
- Dec. 6:** 10 a.m. at the museum: Elves in the Workshop for children ages 3 to 10. Register online at townofws.ca or in person at the leisure centre.
- Dec. 6:** 2 p.m.: Stouffville Kinsmen Santa Claus Parade on Main St.
- Dec. 9:** 4-5 p.m. at the library: Crafternoons for ages 7 and up.
- Dec. 11:** 11:15-11:45 a.m. at the library: Preschool Crafts for ages 2 to 6.
- Dec. 11:** 3:30-6 p.m. at the library: Teen Book Club/Teen Advisory Group party.
- Dec. 12:** 7:30 p.m. at 6240 Main St.: Youth Dance for ages 14 to 18.
- Dec. 13:** 10-11:30 a.m. at the library: Holiday Make and Take with Santa for ages 2 to 6.
- Dec. 13:** 12:30-2 p.m. at the library: Holiday Make and Take with Santa for ages 2 to 6.
- Dec. 13:** 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Anglican: Bach to Blues Christmas Concert. Tickets from Barthau Jewellers and Card's TV and Appliances or at the door.
- Dec. 13:** 6:30 p.m. at the museum: A Candlelight Christmas includes horse-drawn carriage ride, story telling and a visit with Santa. Call 905-727-8954 to register.
- Dec. 17:** 10:30-11 a.m. at the library: Preschool Crafts

for ages 2 to 6.

- Dec. 18:** 4-5 p.m. at the library: Rapunzel's Book Club for Girls.
- Dec. 19:** Noon-1 p.m. at SoccerCity: Youth Drop In.
- Dec. 20:** 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at Christ Church Anglican: Men of Note Christmas Concert. Tickets available at Card's Appliances and Barthau Jewellers on Main St. Call 416-200-7525 for information.
- Dec. 30:** 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the library: Craft for All ages 3 to 12.

Please note: All library programs except Storytime require registration.

Latcham Gallery is looking for enthusiastic and reliable volunteers to assist with events, gallery sitting, education programs, marketing distribution and more.

If you would like to become part of our dynamic team, email us at info@latchamgallery.ca. For more information about our exhibitions, education programs and events visit www.latchamgallery.ca or call 905-640-8954 or drop in to 6240 Main Street, Stouffville.

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