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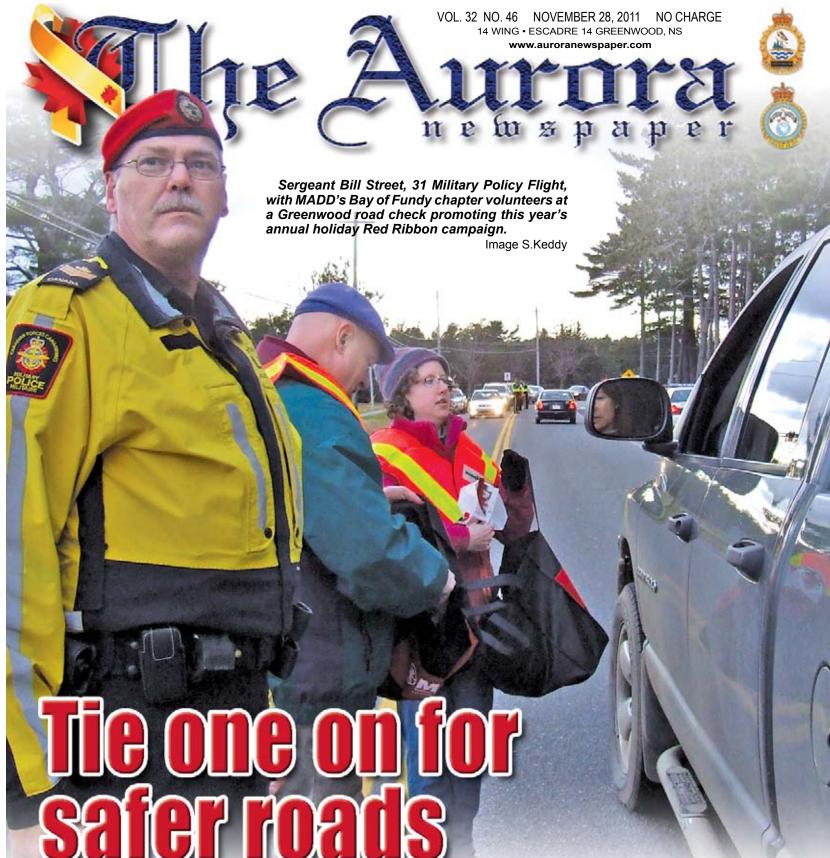
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MADD's Fundy chapter launches annual drunk driving initiative

By Sara Keddy, Managing editor

Bill Street wears many hats, all with community safety in mind.

The Margaretville man is a sergeant with 14 Wing Greenwood's 31 Military Policy Flight, a volunteer firefighter, a father and a member of the Bay of Fundy Mothers Against Drunk Driving chapter.

"I get a chance to see some of the results of drunk driving," he said November 18 as the MADD chapter launched the local Red Ribbon awareness campaign in Greenwood.

"With MADD, I get to impose the will of the people on legislation. As a Military Police officer, I get to enforce those laws and, as a father, I know my daughter is safer."

MADD volunteers and supporters representing local government, RCMP, 14 Wing Greenwood and other partner agencies manned a Greenwood Mall info table, and a kick-off event with speeches at 3 p.m. was followed by a road check, where drivers were given everything from MADD emblazoned ice scrapers to suckers to the red rib-...page 2.







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bon meant to symbolize their pledge not to drink and drive The national Red Ribbon Campaign runs from Nov-

week of January.

"The red ribbon is also a through the holiday season. reminder of those killed and injured by drunk drivers," said Susan MacAskill, the



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Four Canadians die every day as a result of drunk driving; 150 more are injured.
"It's the number one crim-

inal cause of death in Canada and the tragedy is, it's all 100 per cent preventable.'

MacAskill said some of the biggest education and legal moves around drunk driving in recent years have come from MADD's work, including Motor Vehicle Act changes in Nova Scotia last year to enforce driving suspensions for a blood alcohol content of 0.05. Over 40 per cent of Halifax Regional Municipality's drunk driving charges in the last year

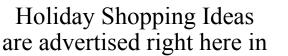
are a result of public calls to 911: roadside signage encouraging people to report suspected drunk drivers is making a difference. MADD is now working on legisla-tion that would allow police officers to conduct random driver breathalyzer checks.

'Impaired driving is a very complex problem, and the response from MADD is to

take a serious approach."

Kings RCMP Community Policing Officer Blair McMurtery credits MADD for many of the tools RCMP now use in their enforcement efforts, and for the community programs it offers victims and youth, through Teens Against Drunk Driving.

Drunk driving is not getting better," McMurtery said. "Seatbelts, bike helmets, smoking – it takes forever to change the way people think, and they know these things harm themselves, are illegal and hurt other people.'



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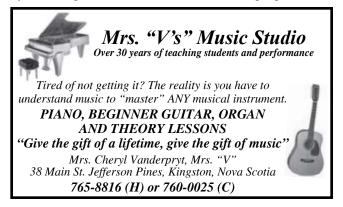
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Change, challenge, opportunity Air Force agility vital heading into decade of transformation

By Sara Keddy, Managing

"I have very few opportunities to say to my boss how proud I am of all of you,' 14 Wing Greenwood Commander Colonel Jim Irvine said November 21 to a full Annapolis Mess, as Canada's top airman, Lieutenant-General J.P.A. Deschamps, Chief of Air Staff/ Commander Royal Canadian Air Force, presided over a town hall session with local personnel.

Turns out Deschamps has a very good idea of what Greenwood has been up to.

"Greenwood has been busy, needless to say," he said. "There was an oper-ation we didn't expect to be on in March (Operation MO-BILE, in Italy), and we did a lot of things quickly - in the Air Force and the maritime patrol community. It is a mark of excellence for the units, their stellar work, and it reflects what is going on in the Air Force over the past several years.

"Every Air Force capability we have has been operating at the same time, and we haven't seen that since World War II. It was a very big year: we pressured our system, and it worked.'

Deschamps visited Greenwood's Aurora Block III upgrade, hosted the town hall and met with wing leadership on a self-described "whirlwind" tour of all the wings. He is taking advantage of a lull – if you could call it that - to check in with his Air "Promotions for every-Force and gather feedback one," he joked, but said,

for a list of major projects on the horizon. From financial pressures to the future of the Canadian Forces, Deschamps said there is much affecting the "strategic picture" of his work.

At the top of that list is money: the federal budget is looking for five per cent savings from the CF in 2012/ 2013, and another five to 10 per cent anticipated in 2013/ 2014 and beyond. It's a national effort to balance the effects of international economic conditions on Canada.

"The Air Force will manage that pressure," he said, listing simulation exercises over flying time, distance education opportunities, Reserve force re-balancing and, from headquarters down to units, being clear on what priorities will be. "It's a big, big exercise we need to get

Still, he said, "government likes what it sees right now in the CF – what it sees us delivering at home, offshore, with search and rescue.... It wants to see the same thing - if not more. It just doesn't want to pay for it, so that's our dilemma - and that's what CF transformation is all

Balancing budgets is one thing: Deschamps said Air Force demographics over the next 10 years are another major challenge, as a majority of warrant, master warrant and chief warrant officers are set for retirement – with a succession hole behind them.



Commander of the Royal Canadian Air Force Lieutenant-General André Deschamps, in 14 Wing Greenwood's Annapolis Mess during a town hall meeting with wing members. Image Corporal G.Cormier

with the last decade's pace of operations, the necessary career and leadership training the Air Force needs has been stretched.

There are seven fleet transitions on line for the next 10 years, from the Hercules replacement to unmanned aerial vehicle procurement. We've never done more than two since World War With the Aurora Block III work extending the life of that plane, a replacement

is "not likely" this decade. Nine hundred personnel remain in Afghanistan for the next three years as well, and government has its eye on Arctic sovereignty.

'We don't need a lot of off-shore operations to keep us busy. We need to take care of home. The next 10 years are nothing but growth and change - challenge, but op-portunity," Deschamps said. "The good news: nobody's going to get bored.'



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All-in flight safety effort recognized internationally

By Sara Keddy, Managing

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Lieutenant-General J.P.A. Deschamps, Chief of Air Commander Royal Canadian Air Force visited 14 Wing Greenwood November 21, he had a much bigger honour to bestow. The wing was awarded the 2010 System of Cooperation Amongst the Airforces of the Americas (SICOFAA) safety award for an "outstanding wing flight safety program.

"Be very proud of this," Deschamps said, as he presented the award to 14 Wing Commander Colonel Jim Ir-

"The international community sees you as a world at flight safety, with what Greenwood has achieved and resources at hand. Well done."

SICOFAA is a 24-nation group of North, Central and South American countries which meets several times a year to build relationships and co-operate on flight

safety issues. 14 nomination acknowledged the base as one of Canada's "highest operational and training tempo" sites. The flight safety program accommodates search and rescue, transport and long range patrol work; along with all the ground training, maintenance and planning that supports air time. Air weapons safety practices are also covered with all associated personnel, "pivotal" in mitigating numerous dangerous incidents.

"No other CF air wing has so successfully influenced wing personnel so pervasively," it read.



Members of 14 Wing Flight Safety accepting an award for 14 Wing Greenwood's success. From left are Deputy Wing Flight Safety Officer Warrant Officer Maxwell Pennell, Wing Flight Safety Officer Major Carl Rioux, Commander of the Royal Canadian Air Force Lieutenant-General André Deschamps, 14 Wing Commanding Officer Colonel James Irvine, Warrant Deputy Wing Flight Safety Officer Yvon Lévesque and Wing Air Weapons Officer Major Stephane Racle.

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Wing as a leader in flight

"The recognition of 14 safety would have not been possible without the outstanding work of every 14 Wing member. Through their daily accomplishments, both military and civilian personnel have contributed to 14 Wing Flight Safety's pro-

gram success and acknowledgment. A special thanks to all wing units and branches, flight safety team members as well as all members of the Wing Air Weapons Committee," Major Carl Rioux, Wing Flight Safety Officer.





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ecember 3 International Day for Persons with Disabilities

By the Employment Equity **Diversity Council**

December 3 marks International Day for Persons with Disabilities. The defence team will commemorate the day under the theme "One Destination, Many Paths" December 2 during lunch at the Annapolis Mess to be derived from the inte-Dining Area.

The annual observance of this day aims to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilize support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities. It also seeks to increase awareness of gains

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Le 3 décembre Journée internationale des personnes handicapées

Par le Conseil sur l'équité en matière d'emploi et la diversité

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La Journée internationale des personnes handicapées vise à sensibiliser le public aux problèmes des handicapés et à susciter un soutien accru pour la dignité, les droits et le bien-être des personnes handicapées. Cette journée vise également à sensibiliser le public aux gains que l'on peut tirer de l'intégration des personnes handicapées dans tous les aspects de la vie politique, sociale, économique et culturelle

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Dh, Christmas trees!

Decorated for the season, these trees do it all for charity

By Sara Keddy, Managing editor

Looking for this year's Christmas tree?

There are 50 extra special trees available at the 14 Wing Greenwood Combined Charities' Festival of Trees, set for December 8.

The event returns this holiday season after a couple years' absence.

"Most people, when we mention the event, are glad it's back – they've really enjoyed it," says one of the organizers, Lieutenant Damon Murray. "If we need

more trees, we'll find 'em!"

The event works like this: organizations, wing units and businesses are invited to decorate a tree for silent auction. "Decorating" is actually a mile description of what then appears at the event.

"There will be everything on a tree," says another organizer, Manon Dube. "Gift certificates; one year, a company put four tires on a tree. Somebody is planning to put tools on a tree this year – I don't know how!"

Those decorating a tree are invited to the Annapolis Mess the evening of Decem-

ber 7 to set up and enjoy a social with other participants. The organizing committee ensures food, music and a welcoming atmosphere keep the "work" festive.

Then, December 8 at 9 a.m., a 12-hour bidding "war" begins. Visitors – and the event is open to the public – can inspect the trees and make bids until 9 p.m. that evening.

"You could come in at the last minute and slip your bid in. There are people hanging around, and it gets a little crazy" says Murray

crazy," says Murray.

Dube says her daughter

asks why she never wins what she's bid on through the day: "I go around, I bid but, at the end, I'm always doing the countdown and everyone is running around doing their last bids!"

It can even become a friendly competition, as everyone knows from years past there are two local hair salons that go all out with their trees, or wing commanding officers bid up other branches' trees — or attempt to buy their own branch's entry.

At the end of the day, the highest bidders win the trees, and that includes the four- or five-foot, pre-lit tree all the decorations come on.

The real winner is the wing's Combined Charities, a year-long effort by 14 Wing personnel to raise funds for local non-profit groups. A mega-potluck last month, 50/50 draws, a pay allotment, civvy Fridays and unit efforts all add to the fund: Dube is

hoping to see \$5,000 raised work," Murray says. "The through the Festival of Trees. big things we always empha-

Over \$50,000 was raised in 2010 by the Combined Charities' efforts, divided between 50 local agencies 14 Wing contributors can either support en masse, or specifically designate their own contributions to.

50 draws, a pay allotment, civvy Fridays and unit efforts all add to the fund: Dube is "The vast majority of the money stays in the local area, or helps groups do local area and admission is free."

work," Murray says. "The big things we always emphasize, though, are food banks and local schools. The fund makes a big difference."

If you are interested in registering to decorate a tree, contact Murray (902) 765-1494 ext 1610 or Dube (902) 765-1494 ext 1643. The event is open to the public December 8, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and admission is free







Family Christmas fun planned at annual tree lighting

By Sara Keddy, Managing editor

When the lights go on December 4, 14 Wing Greenwood and the surrounding community will know Christmas is on its way.

The 3rd annual tree lighting event for families, Christmas on the Wing, has everything you need to get into the holiday spirit: seasonal face painting and cookie decorating, music, outdoor fun with wagon rides and a free BBQ and, of course, flicking the switch on the base's permanent Christmas tree near head-

"We just want people says Eric MacKenzie from to come," says Michelle the community centre. Thibodeau-Wagner of the Adding to the partnership Military Family Resource Centre. "It's a chance to spend time together, for the Greenwood community to meet our Canadian Forces families – and it's fun to see the little kids!"

The MFRC is working hand in hand with 14 Wing Greenwood's Community Centre and Community Council to host the festivities. Last year, 450 people attended events, and organizers say finding volunteers for all the activities is not a problem: "It's the Christmas magic – it's contagious,"

is support from base sections, including Construc-tion & Engineering, which looks after powering the tree's lights and Telecommunications & Information Services, lending their parking area for all the events. 14 Wing Fire Services is ensuring special guest Santa Claus arrives in style, and the Military Police will help get families to parking at the nearby rink, gym or Mess.

Organizers encourage families to dress for the weather and meet at the Wing TIS parking lot at 4 p.m. for all the events. When Santa arrives just after 5 p.m., everyone can head over to the Christmas tree for an official welcome from Wing Commander Colonel Jim Irvine, the community council mayor and the base

"One of the special things is a prayer for deployed families," says MacKenzie. "We have yellow ribbons decorating the tree, representing each deployed 14 Wing member, and this is a chance for their families here to feel uplifted and supported.

Then, with the flick of the tree lights' switch, it's



Michelle Thibodeau-Wagner and Eric MacKenzie are pulling the final details together to ensure this year's tree lighting event December 4 is fun - and full of holiday magic - for families. Image S.Keddy

Illumination annuelle de l'arbre de Noël: du plaisir en perspective pour les familles

rédactrice en chef

le 4 décembre, donnera le coup d'envoi des fêtes de Noël pour les membres de la 14^e Escadre Greenwood et les résidents de la communauté.

La troisième édition annuelle de « Noël à l'Escadre », activité familiale marquée par l'illumination de l'arbre de Noël, renferme tous les ingrédients pour vous mettre dans l'esprit des Fêtes : peinture thématique sur visage, décoration de biscuits de Noël, musique, joies du plein

air avec les promenades en voiture à cheval et barbecue gratuit, sans oublier le mo-L'illumination de l'arbre, ment magique : l'illumination de l'arbre de Noël permanent de la base, situé près du quartier général.

> monde vienne. C'est une occasion de passer du bon temps ensemble, l'occasion pour la population de Greenwood de rencontrer les familles des Forces canadiennes, et puis... c'est un plaisir de voir les petits enfants! » a déclaré Michelle Thibodeau-Wagner, du Centre de ressources pour les familles des militaires.

« C'est la magie de Noël, c'est contagieux! » s'est exclamé Eric MacKenzie, du centre communautaire

« Nous voulons que tout le tement avec le centre communautaire et le conseil communautaire de la 14^e Escadre Greenwood pour accueillir les festivités. L'an dernier, 450 personnes ont participé à l'opération. Selon les organisateurs, il n'est pas difficile de trouver des bénévoles pour animer toutes les activités: « C'est la magie de Noël, c'est contagieux! » s'est ex-Le CRFM collabore étroi- clamé Eric MacKenzie, du

centre communautaire.

Outre la collaboration entre les partenaires, l'opération bénéficie du soutien des divers services de la base dont Construction et Génie, qui se charge du branchement des lumières de l'arbre, les Services de télécommunications et d'information (STI) qui prêtent leur terrain de stationnement pour le dé-

Service incendie de la 14^e Escadre qui voit à ce que l'invité spécial, le Père Noël, fasse une arrivée triomphale, et la police militaire qui guidera les familles jusqu'aux terrains de stationnement de la patinoire, du gymnase ou du mess, situés à proximité.

organisateurs conseillent aux participants de s'habiller en fonction de la météo, et de se rassembler à partir de 16 h, dans le terrain de stationnement des STI, où se dérouleront toutes les activités. Lorsque le Père Noël arrivera, peu après 17 h, tout le monde se rendra à roulement des activités, le l'arbre de Noël, où le Colo-

nel Jim Irvine, commandant de l'Escadre, le président du conseil communautaire et l'aumônier de la base lui réserveront un accueil officiel.

« L'un des temps forts de l'événement est la prière pour les familles des militaires en mission à l'étranger... Nous avons installé des rubans jaunes sur l'arbre, chaque ruban représentant un membre de la 14^e Escadre actuellement en mission. C'est une occasion pour leurs familles de se réconforter et de se sentir appuyées », a indiqué M. MacKenzie.

Puis, dès que les lumières s'allument, c'est Noël!



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Dessert tea, ticket auction

November 28, 1st Berwick Pathfinders (Girl Guides of Canada) will host a dessert tea and ticket auction at the Waterville fire hall, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Admission \$5, tickets are 10 for \$1 (draws at 8 p.m.). All welcome.

Concert

December 3, the Middleton Choral Society, directed by Maureen MacLean and accompanied by Elizabeth Harwood on piano and organ, will present its annual concert of sacred and secular Christmas music in St. John's United Church, Middleton, at 8 pm. Special guest performers will be individual members of Middleton Choral Society. A freewill offering will be taken at the door. For information, call 825-3387.

Christmas evening

December 2 and 3, join us in a winter wonderland, 7 p.m. at All Saints' Church Hall, Pleasant Street, Kingston, for an evening of songs, games and refreshments, with entertainment by Cheryl VanDerPryt and Jim Bent. A prize basket will be awarded to the winner of Name That Christmas Piece! Tickets\$ 7.50 each, available at Valley Drug Mart, Kingston, and Pharmasave in Middleton.

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Dessert tea, ticket auction

p.m. Admission \$5, tickets are the Kingston village office, or 10 for \$1 (draws at 8 p.m.). All call 765-2800. 10 for \$1 (draws at 8 p.m.). All welcome.

Adult fitness

gram at the Kingston Legion, November 28, 1st Berwick hosted by Kingston Recreation. Pathfinders (Girl Guides of Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 Canada) will host a dessert tea a.m. to 11 a.m. Course cost \$20 and ticket auction at the Water- or \$2 per class. Try one free, ville fire hall, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 and bring a friend! Sign up at

Luncheon

November 29, the Middleton Until December 15, adults Fireflies will hold a luncheon at ages 55+ are invited to a fun and the Middleton fire hall, 11 a.m. social low impact aerobics pro- to 1 p.m. Corn chowder, ham-

burger soup, Turkey burger/ cole slaw. Lemon or coconut cream dessert, tea/ coffee \$7. Please call 825-3062 for deliveries (Middleton only) by Nov. 28.

CAPS meeting

November 30 is the regular monthly board meeting of the Companion Animal Protection Society of Annapolis County, 7 p.m. at the municipal building, Lawrencetown. Members, friends of CAPS are invited.

VON info session

November 30, VON Annapolis Valley will host a free information session on Alzheimer cafés and demystifying dementia at the Rebekah Lodge, 149 Cottage Street, Berwick, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Refreshments provided. To reserve a place, call 1-800-411-9646 toll free. World AIDS Day

December 1, the Outreach Committee of Kingston United Church is hosting a World AIDS Day event, 733 Main Street. Angus Campbell will speak about the human face of AIDS in our province. We will share a pot luck at 6 p.m.,

followed by his talk about 7 p.m. Members of the public are invited.

Ticket auction

December 1, St. Monica's Church Hall, Connaught Ave., Middleton; will host a ticket auction. Doors open at 2 p.m., draw begins at 7 p.m. Something for everyone. Canteen, bake table and raffles.

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Tea & sale

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Santa breakfast

December 3 is the 24th annual Breakfast with Santa at the Lawrencetown Consolidated School. 8:30 a.m. until noon, huge ticket auction, craft tables, activities for kids. Pancake breakfast - adults \$3, children \$2.

Bluegrass show

December 4, the Annapolis Valley Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Association presents Country Oldtimers, Ron DeAdder & Friends, Matt Lunn, Graham Moorehead, Wendell Boutilier & Brian Hazlett in concert at the Berwick Lions' hall, Veterans' Drive, Berwick. Show starts at 2 p.m., admission \$6, canteen, 50/50.

Concert

December 4, A Royal Consort, a community choir from Annapolis Royal, directed by Caroline Bosley, accompanied by Elizabeth Harwood; performs Christmas Midnight Mass (Charpentier), John Rutter anthems and Christmas carols. Bridgetown Baptist Church, 7 p.m. Freewill offering.

Concert

December 4, the Annapolis Valley Church of the Nazarene invites you to a Chrismas

Singspiration, 10:30 a.m., 738 Tremont Road, Kingston. Refreshments to follow. Freewill offering in support of Pastor Tonya, Darin, Cory and Karissa Kucey, volunteer missionaries to the MesoAmerica Regional.

December 4 at 6 p.m., come to Kingston United Baptist Church's Christmas musical and drama production of The Story of Christmas, performed by the students of the Sunday school and junior church programs. This will be an exciting and interactive live performance for all ages! Refreshments will follow.

Concert

Performance

December 4, there will be a Christmas concert with New Song at Middleton Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Freewill offering. Everyone welcome.

Concert

December 4, join Our Community Our Health in support of Valley health services at the Festival of Lights. Music 6:30 p.m., ceremony 7 p.m., Kentville United Baptist Church, 503 Main Street, Kentville. Musical entertainment by the Annapolis Valley Honour Choir. Refreshments to follow.

Christmas hampers

December 5 is the deadline to make an application for a Friendly Neighbours Christmas hamper Program. Applications are available at: Foodland, Coldbrook; Save Easy and Price Chopper, Berwick; Sobeys, Greenwood; Needs, Aylesford; Pharmasave, Kingston; Bert's, Auburn. All applications must be completed and returned to the store where picked up. Applications will not be accepted after this date.

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November 27 to December 3

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, fight against the current rather than give into the situation and let the waves wash you away. Unexpected events arise late in the week, and you can handle them all.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Aquarius, you can't put your finger on it, but something seems to be out of sorts. The truth will be revealed in the next few weeks. Keep your eyes on the horizon.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Burning the candle at both ends is not the right way to get things done. Gemini. The easiest path is not the best path to take, so think on things a little more.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, take a few days off and get all of your affairs in order. With so many changes occuring rapidly, you can take the time to sort through everything and feel more confident.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, it can be difficult to contain your frustrations, but expressing all of them can be problematic at this juncture. Find another outlet

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, if you don't have the answers to everything you can seek help from others. Relationship problems may leave you feeling tired, but it's a temporary bump in the road.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Give yourself a much-deserved break, Libra. With big events on the horizon, it's best to take this opportunity to rest and recharge. Take a vacation or a short jaunt.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, sometimes you have to be able to laugh at yourself. It's not always easy, especially when the task at hand is no laughing

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, vou don't know where to start on big projects, but as always, it's at the beginning. Make a list of your work to put it all in perspective and tackle each task individually.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Don't allow your confidence to wane this week, Taurus. If you need a morale boost, turn to your closest friends for the inspiring words you need to hear.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Certain things have to get done in the next few days, Aquarius. But that doesn't mean you can't try to delegate some of these tasks to other people to free up vour schedule.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Be the leader you know you can be this week, Pisces. It can be difficult to take charge, but you can handle the pressure.

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NOVEMBER 27 Kathryn Bigelow, Director (60) **NOVEMBER 28** Jon Stewart, Comic (49) **NOVEMBER 29** Jeff Fahey, Actor (55) Kaley Cuoco, Actress (26) NOVEMBER 30 DECEMBER 1 Bette Midler, Actress (66) DECEMBER 2 Monica Seles, Athlete (38) DECEMBER 3 Julianne Moore, Actress (51)

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Watch for home heating hazards

Solution page 14

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Level: Intermediate

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clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers

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By 14 Wing Fire Service

Well into the home heating season, we must be aware of potential dangers with home heating systems, particularly with oil or wood fired systems. When properly installed and maintained, these are safe and efficient; however, if poorly maintained, a fire could result.

With wood stoves and furnaces, the appliance, connected flue piping and chimney should be cleaned and inspected annually, prior to the heating season. Failure to do so could lead to a flue or chimney fire. When a chimney fire occurs, creosote, a hard shinyblack substance that builds up on the interior walls of the chimney, catches fire. This high-heat situation can damage the chimney. In chimneys with pre-existing damage - where mortar between bricks is missing flames can shoot through the chimney walls and ignite combustibles nearby. It is important to contact the fire department even if you think the fire has been snuffed

Sudoku

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Fun By The Numbers

out. Keep a chimney fire extinguisher on hand. Similar to a road flare, this type of extinguisher is available at fireplace dealers and some hardware stores.

When removing ashes from stoves, fireplaces or furnaces, ensure ashes are cold and placed in a steel container with a cover for carrying outside. Do not dispose of ashes in the garbage or in your "green" bin. Unseen embers can rekindle.

Oil fired furnace fires are usually attributed to poor maintenance. Have your furnace professionally serviced to ensure efficient and safe operation during the heating season. Change furnace filters a minimum of every three months to prevent possible ignition of combustible debris trapped by the filters. Regardless of whether you use oil or wood as a source of home heat, it is strongly recommended to have carbon monoxide detectors, along with smoke detectors, installed on every floor.

For further information, contact the 14 Wing Fire Inspection Bureau at 765-1494 local 1673.

Gingerbread houses extraordinaire!

By Amy Snow, GMFRC Coordinator of **Deployment Services**

Deployed families, join us December 4, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., at the Greenwood Military Family Resource Centre for a fun-filled afternoon in celebration of Christmas!

We will be making one-of- November 30. a-kind gingerbread houses and participating in the age old battle with gravity as we try to get the icing to dry before our houses collapse - or we eat it all! There will be Christmas music, yummy snacks and great company. To register, call 765-5611 by

After construction is complete, we will continue our Christmas fun at the 3rd Christmas on the Wing tree lighting, so bring warm hats and mittens. There will be hot chocolate, activities and treats for kids, sleigh rides and a visit from Santa Claus.

Maisons en pain d'épice extraordinaires!

Par Amy Snow, Coordonnatrice

des services de déploiement du **CRFMG**

Les familles de militaries dEployEs, joignez-vous à nous le 4 décembre de 14 h à 16 h au Centre de ressources pour les familles des militaires de Greenwood pour un après-midi où nous célébrerons Noël à notre fa-

Nous fabriquerons des maisons en pain d'épice uniques en leur genre et nous essaierons de faire sécher le glaçage avant que la maison s'écroule - ou avant que nous la mangions toute, ce qui est l'éternel défi. De

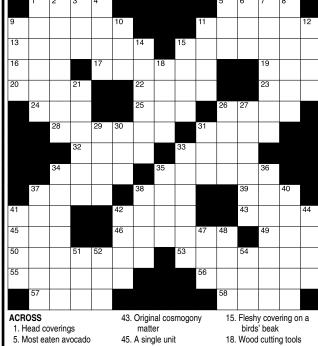
la musique de Noël, de fa- nous allons continuer notre buleuses collations et de l'agréable compagnie sont au rendez-vous. Pour plus de renseignements ou pour l'inscription veuillez téléphoner au 765-5611 avant le30 novembre.

Ouand notre maison en pain d'épice sera terminée, célébration de Noël à la 3e Noël à l'Escadre en plein air; alors apportez une tuque et des mitaines. Du chocolat chaud, des activités et surprises pour enfants, des promenades en chariot et une visite spéciale du Père Noël vous attendent.

Metro Crossword

Spelling: US English

Solution page 14



- 5. Most eaten avocado
- . Harry: the boy who lived
- Traveled on water
- 13. Revolves
- 15. Spanish saloon
- 16. Popular nail lacquer
 17. Conditions of balance
- 19 Pharaohs' cobra 20. Being dried & withered
- 23. Distress signal 24. 1st state (abbr.)
- 25. Female sheep 26. Dutch colonist
- 31. Autos 32. Paper-thin tin plate
- 33. Husk of wheat
- 34. Airplanes 35. Campaigns
- 38. An association of criminals
- 39. Radioactivity unit 41. Big London clock

- 37 Manufactured

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- group
 6. Little island (British) 7. AKA's 8. Detector

49. In the past

53. Tall cactus

1. Enclosed

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50. Marks of shame

55. Someone from Seoul

56. Exaggerated a role 57. College army 58. Scrape or shave

- 9. Paid athletes
- 10. A way to soak
- 11 Impudence 12. Dips lightly

- 18. Wood cutting tools
- 21. Full of high-spirited
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- 31. Superior grade wine 33. Young children
- 34. Rio de
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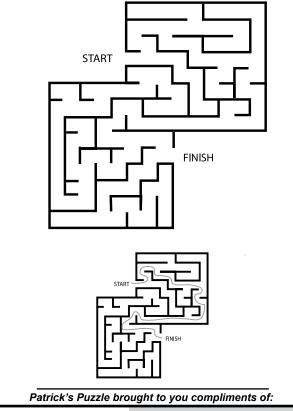
- 36. Eastern greetings 37. Teacher & guide
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- 47. Bravo! Bravo! Bravo!
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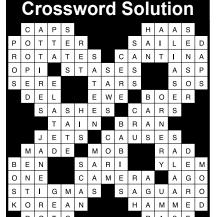
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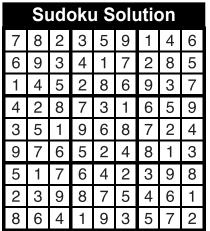
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West Nova Scotia Regiment honours its roots

By Sergeant Michael Selig, 36 Canadian Brigade Group

With over 100 millimetres of rain in a 24-hour span, the spirits of weather-hardened Lunenburg residents weren't dampened as the town packed St John's Anglican Church November 11.

The West Nova Scotia Regiment (West NS Regt) participated in this year's Remembrance Day ceremony in the UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) world heritage site.

"A little rain couldn't keep us away from this parade," said Arthur Skinner, who fished in weather like this for over 30 years. "The military doesn't quit on rainy days - neither do

St John's, the second old-

est Anglican church in Nova veterans. Tupper laid a wreath Scotia, suffered substantial fire damage in 2001. After a fouryear restoration, the church reopened in 2005.

"Selecting St John's Anglican Church was an easy choice for our rain contingency plan, as the colours of the Lunenburg Regiment are held there," said Kenny Oxner, sergeant-at-arms, Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 23, Lunenburg.

"I am extremely proud to be a member of the West NS Regt, and the fact that we are parading here in my former hometown of Lunenburg on the West NS Regt's 75th anniversary is a great experience" said Master Warrant Officer Tom Tupper, company sergeant major

Tupper remembers parading in Lunenburg as a youth, seeing the names on the cenotaphs and listening to the stories of the in memory of Private Cecil Raymond Hebb, his grandmother's brother and a member of the 85th Battalion Nova Scotia Highlanders. Hebb was killed during the First World War near Lens, France in 1917.

West Nova Scotia Regiment Commanding Officer Lieutenant-Colonel George Thomson explained the ties between his unit and Lunenburg.

"The Lunenburg regiment dates from 1870, and soldiers from the regiment deployed overseas in World War I as members of Canadian Expeditionary Force battalions. In 1936, the Lunenburg regiment and the Annapolis regiment were amalgamated to form the West Nova Scotia Regiment.

"Our unit is parading in Lunenburg to honour those who have died in the service of Canada, but also to recognize the deep roots of the West Novas on the South Shore" said Thomson. "We hope this parade will let those on the South Shore know we are proud of our lineage and links to the Lunenburg regiment."

Soldiers with the West NS Regt were treated after the service to fish chowder with rolls, hamburger soup, sandwiches, tea and coffee by members of the St. John's ladies' auxiliary and local Legion.

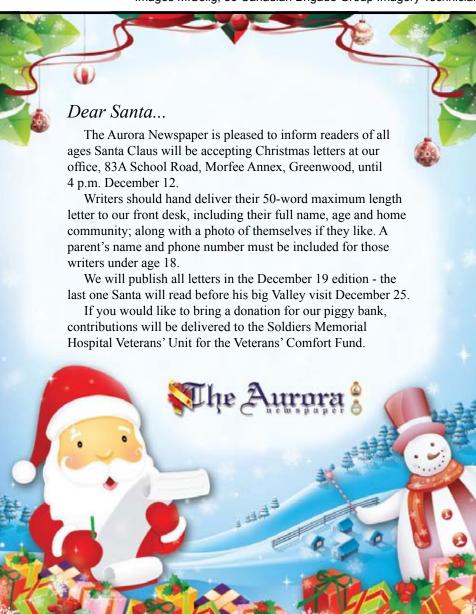
"I've heard the expression before - 'enough to feed an Army' - in this instance, it's true. We didn't want to run out," said Linda Lohnes of the Royal Canadian Legion Branch

No. 23, Lunenburg.

In addition to parading in Lunenburg, the regiment held a mess dinner to commemorate its anniversary at the Legion in Annapolis Royal November 19. The unit can trace its roots back in that community to the founding of the 40th Regiment



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Lieutenant-Colonel George Thomson, commanding officer of the West Nova Scotia Regiment, lays a wreath at the altar at Saint John's Anglican Church, Lunenburg.

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