



HELPING hands



Andrew Stensued, 1, and Choe Park work on crafts during the Family Literacy Celebration and Free Skate at the Albert McCormick Community Centre on January 17.



Loyal volunteer Marie Morneau, enjoys a meal and House of Friendship hospitality at "Celebrate the Good", the last day of 12 Days for Good for House of Friendship.



The Desire2Learn Human Resource Department took part in some team building by sorting canned food items for the Food Bank of Waterloo Region.



Waterloo Region Record employees sort books from their Books for Kids Drive in support of the Salvation Army. This year we were able to collect over 5,500 books!

Noah Hilker, 13, takes guitar advice from Richard Labbe during the free Rock Out School program at Clemens Mill Public Library on January 20.

5,000 children in Waterloo Region woke up to a wonderful surprise on Christmas thanks to people like Simeen who organized a toy drive at KPMG.



Executive Director of House of Friendship, John Neufeld, and volunteer, Marlene O'Brien can't help but smile because of all the good that happened during 12 Days for Good, this past Christmas.



Carol Dewar and her team were happy to volunteer and help House of Friendship distribute donated turkeys to their neighbours in need.



Richard Labbe teaches Katie Campbell, 12, about guitar during the free Rock Out School program at Clemens Mill Public Library on January 20. The program aims at helping to introduce beginners to music elements.



KPMG employees donated 8 bags and 2 boxes full of winter coats, boots and mitts to Goodwill to help make winter a little warmer for many.

Economic Outlook 2014: Poised for Growth presenters at OGI Auditorium on November 28, 2013



Attendees enjoy fellowship at House of Friendship's "Celebrate the Good" event, where we recognized the accomplishments of 600+ volunteers who fed over 4000 families and individuals in need during our 12 Days for Good.

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back



"Most of us are just a few life events away from needing one of the services House of Friendship provides. It's a privilege to support an organization whose philosophies and practices reflect the care and dignity everyone in our community deserves."

Marlene O'Brien
House of Friendship
Volunteer



"Opportunities to design, build AND help my community ---volunteering with The Food Bank of Waterloo Region provides that and more. I am pleased to offer my expertise to the annual Canstruction event happening Mar 8-16 at Conestoga Mall so the public will see what local companies CAN do."

Jim Gerrard, A.Sc.T.
Conestoga College
Architecture Professor and
Construction Volunteer
Team Lead
The Food Bank of
Waterloo Region



Bev enjoys volunteering at the Cambridge Self-Help Food Bank because she loves meeting new people and helping in any way she can. Bev orientates new clients and makes them feel welcome. She is an amazing support to our staff.

Bev Gillis
Co-op Store Volunteer
Cambridge Self-Help
Food Bank



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FOODBANK OF WATERLOO REGION

Erb and Erb staff raised over 200 pounds of food in our annual holiday food drive. We also will be donating \$500 to the Foodbank of Waterloo Region as a promise to all our friends who visited our Season's Greetings page online. To learn more about how you can help people of Waterloo Region please visit www.thefoodbank.ca

WHERE'S THE BROKER - FACEBOOK CONTEST

Starting this month head over to our Facebook page. Every month you'll find a picture of one of our Brokers somewhere in the local area. Enter the contest by liking our page and commenting where the broker is. www.facebook.com/ErbandErb. This month if you have the correct answer you could win a \$25 gift Bon Appetit card!

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TALKING ABOUT...

Erb and Erb Insurance Brokers Ltd. and Waterloo Region Record are proud to share the Helping Hands community pages. You will find people in your neighbourhood working together to build a strong community and reaching out to support people in need. We hope that you will share your charitable stories with us by sending us photos for the next edition. It is our hope that these pages will give us an opportunity to shine the spotlight on our local heroes.



SEND US YOUR PHOTOS! We are looking for everyday moments in the charitable community! Submit your photo and a brief caption to communitypages@therecord.com Please put **HELPING HANDS** in the subject line of your email.

In addition to our Helping Hands community page, we also feature a monthly community page for moments in the sports community, arts community and local business.

Look for the next Erb and Erb "Helping Hands" feature
February 22nd, 2014!
Deadline for photo submissions is February 17th, 2014!