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Extreme Trampoline Shows Part of Olympic Celebrations A Peak at the Cambridge Program and Community Torch Bearers

Cambridge, Ontario. December 7, 2009...In just twenty days, the City of Cambridge will once again make history as a community on the official Olympic Torch Relay Route.

There's been a great deal of excitement in building a program for the community around the December 27th Torch Relay which includes Olympic-style extreme trampoline shows at Cambridge City Hall, 50 Dickson Street. Shows are a half hour in duration and run at 2:15 pm, 3:15 pm and 4:45 pm. City staff has also planned an interactive sports clinic/display with partners at Active Cambridge as part of the Civic Square festivities.

"We are encouraging community groups, sports organizations and all of our citizens to 'paint the town red' and join us for the festivities. Wear your red jersey or team jersey, bring your noise makers, carry your banners and help us mark a very special moment in history," says Cambridge Mayor Doug Craig.

Torch Bearers Gearing Up

Cambridge will have several local torch bearers participating in the torch run including Sharon Murphy who says she's carrying on a family tradition that dates back to the last torch visit in 1988 when her sister-in-law represented Cambridge. Murphy has been connected to this community for many years, and for over 17 years has run a foot care clinic called 'Mobile Feet' for seniors out of the David Durward Centre. Her community support doesn't stop there as she's currently working with the Preston Chapter of IODE Woman's Services Group among others.

Jane Black is another torch bearer who will carry the Olympic flame through Cambridge. She has a history of working to fundraise for local causes including those that help eradicate poverty. She currently sits as Vice Chair for the Board of Nutrition and Learning, is a strong supporter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, and just captained a team of 150 people in the 60 km journey for the Weekend to End Breast Cancer.

A contest for the iCoke won Becca Stap a place in the torch bearing circle. At only 15 years of age, Stap is 'totally stoked' to be among the Canadians to participate in the run. A Preston High School student in grade ten, Stap also works at the library and says she can't wait to carry the flame.

More Events

Cambridge library is also hosting a series of events including Olympic themed puppet shows, music, and face painting. Activities will begin at 2:00 pm at the Queens Square Library, 1 North Square and residents can find more about the exciting program at www.cambridgelibraries.ca

The celebrations don't stop after the 27th as there will be an 'Olympic Winter Weekend Series' that will continue each weekend during the month of January 2010.

More details on the Torch Ceremony and Olympic route will be shared as they unfold. Visit www.cambridge.ca/olympics. Accessible accommodations may be available upon request.

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Torch Bearers - Left to Right - Jane Black, Sharon Murphy and Becca Stap



More Events Weekend Winter Series:

www.cambridge.ca/olympics

Cambridge Community Services
'Polar Bear' Swim
Monday, Dec 28, 1:30-4:00pm

John Dolson Centre, 212 Couth Street
Free Admission
519-740-4681

Cambridge Community Services
'Polar Bear' Swim
Saturday, Jan 2, 1:30-2:30pm
W.G. Johnson Centre, 31 Kribs Street
Free Admission
519-740-4681

Galt Curling Club's
'Try Your Hand Curling'
Sat, Jan 9, 1:00-4:00pm
Galt Curling Club, 1610 Dunbat Road
Free Admission
519-621-6020

Cambridge Trails Advisory Committee
'2-K Icicle Hike' - Living Levee Trail
Sun, Jan 17, 1:30-2:30pm
Mill Race Park
Free Admission
519-623-9974 or
bobmcmu@bell.net

Cambridge Community Services
'Ice Skating'
Sun, Jan 24, 2:00-4:00pm
Hespeler Arena, 640 Ellis Road
Karl Homuth Arena, 1407 Hamilton St
Duncan McIntosh Arena, 200
Christopher Dr
Dickson Arena, 30 Park Hill Rd West
Free Admission
519-740-4681

Grand River Conservation Authority
'Cross-Country Skiing'
Sat, Jan 30, 8:00am-4:00pm
Shade's Mills Conservation Area
Free Admission
519-621-3697
Rentals Available

Grand River Conservation Authority
Interpretive Snowshoe Hike
Sat, Jan 30, 1:00-2:30pm
Shade's Mills Conservation Area
Free Admission
519-621-3697
Advanced Registration Required

The City of Cambridge is one of the fastest growing areas in the country. It is strategically located astride highway 401 in Southwestern Ontario, part of Canada's Technology Triangle. In 2009, the population reached over 126,000 people. With a multicultural mix and a strong foundation of support services, Cambridge has a diverse economic base with leading industries in manufacturing, automotive, high technology, pharmaceutical, business and financial services and hospitality/retail. The Corporation of the City of Cambridge is an employer with a work environment that offers the opportunity to provide service to the community through creativity and innovation, and with opportunities for career growth and advancement.

For more information on the area or the corporation visit www.cambridge.ca The City of Cambridge press room is located at http://www.cambridge.ca/the_office_of_the_chief_administrative_officer/corporate_communications_marketing

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