Santa will be welcomed to Caledon village Dec. 3

The Caledon Village Association has been very busy again this year preparing for Santa's arrival.

The annual parade will start at 5:15 p.m. from the same location as last year (Birch Haven Court and McCort Drive, on the south side of Charleston Sideroad). The parade will proceed north on Autumn Drive and cross Charleston to Hawthorne Avenue. Then it will head north on Sumach to Chester Drive and south on Spruce Drive, south on Maple Grove Road and across Highway 10 to Knox United Church.

Everyone is invited to come to Raeburn's Corner parkette, beside the church, where there will be an opportunity to visit with Santa, take photos and mail letters to him in his special mailbox. The Town Crier will be on hand as well as local dignitaries, followed by the children's count down to light up the beautifully decorated tree in the parkette.

Bring new, unwrapped toys to support the Caledon Firefighters' annual Toy Drive and drop them in the container outside the church. The Optimists and Caledon Village Association (CVA) will be serving hot dogs, soup and chilli, hot chocolate and coffee to help keep everyone warm.

The Optimists of Caledon will have six free draws of \$25 each for the children and CVA is providing free draw tickets for children's toys. This year, free tickets will also be provided for the adults' table of items. There are also some wonderful items in the silent auction for those who might wish to start their Christmas shopping.

Back by popular demand will be Bumbling Bert and the Magic show, starting at 6:45 p.m. The evening will conclude with the drawing of the tickets and the winners of the Silent Auction.

Watch for the decorations to start going up, practise singing and get ready for an evening of old fashioned family fun.