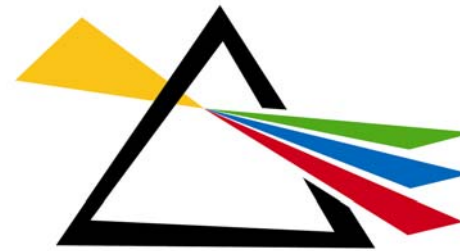


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## Winter Melt-Down Carnival



The Winter Melt-Down Carnival is being held at **RIM Park Friday, February 4th and Saturday, February 5th.**

There will be fun for the whole family from young children to the young at heart. Activities include a full indoor midway similar to the Toronto CNE, extreme sports, an inflatable city, games of skill. Entertainment includes: Bananas In Pajamas, Eddie & the Edsels, Eric Traplin, Rono, 91.5 The Beat Mocha Hip Hop Show.

Tickets are available by calling Margo Jones at 578-3660, ext. 332 or RIM Park Box Office at 884-5363, ext. 221.

**Adult Night (Friday, February 4th 8:00 p.m. to midnight)** \$20.00 per person in advance and \$25 at the door. Includes admission to the carnival midway, adult dance with *Eddie & the Edsels*, and the teachers' volleyball tournament. Try your hand at the games of chance and casino!

**Family Day (Saturday, February 5th 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)** \$18.00 per person in advance and \$23.00 at the door. Includes admission, all carnival activities, inflatable city, extreme sports, and family entertainment.

**Teen Night (Saturday, February 5th 6:00 p.m. to midnight)** \$18.00 per person in advance and \$23 at the door. Includes admission, all carnival rides, extreme sports, and the *Mocha Melt-Down Hip Hop Show*.

**General Admission (Saturday, February 5th 9:00 a.m. to midnight)** If you do not wish to purchase the super Melt-Down ticket, you can purchase a general admission ticket for \$5.00 per person in advance and \$7.00 at the door.

## Strong Start™ Project

The late Lyle S. Hallman, a local builder and philanthropist, initiated the Strong Start™ project. Because Mr. Hallman believed in the importance of learning to read at a young age, he provided the seed funding for the project.

Lyle Hallman felt privileged to support this program and always encouraged others to volunteer and contribute to the program.

The goal of the Waterloo Region Catholic Schools Foundation is to solicit funds and acquire volunteers to



assist with the implementation of the Strong Start™ project in 5 Elementary schools in January 2005, as well as to maintain the program provided in 16 schools. The program will be implemented in the remaining 27 Elementary schools once sufficient volunteers and financial support have been acquired.

If you would like to learn more about the Strong Start™ project, please contact Shari Simpson, Program Manager, at (519) 578-3677, ext. 235 or email [shari.simpson@rdo.ca](mailto:shari.simpson@rdo.ca)

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# Investing In Our Children...

For over 150 years, the Waterloo Catholic District School Board has been serving the educational needs of the Region of Waterloo. The Waterloo Region Catholic Schools Foundation was created to *bridge the gap* between the government funding formula and the current fiscal realities faced by our 55 schools. Some of these realities are:

- Musical instruments are not available for elementary school students;
- Current science and technology equipment (i.e. microscopes, tools, computer assisted drafting software) is not adequately available to help students meet the curriculum expectations;
- Uniforms for student athletes are not available for each team member;
- Faith programs are not funded by the provincial government;
- Inequity of opportunity for all students to realize their unique potential.

The following Bursary and Endowment Funds have been established:

- Mirko Hroch "Quiet Leader" Memorial Scholarship;
- John Sweeney Memorial Scholarship;
- St. Jerome's High School Memorial Trust Fund.

If you would like more information regarding the Waterloo Region Catholic Schools Foundation, and how you can help, please contact Vic Degutis at 578-3660, ext. 324, or email [vic.degutis@rdo.ca](mailto:vic.degutis@rdo.ca)



## Les Miserables - School Edition

### Show times:

- Wednesday, Thursday, Friday—7:30 p.m.
- Saturday—8:00 p.m.

*The students and staff of Waterloo Catholic schools are offering the entire community a rare opportunity to witness the bountiful talent that exists in our schools. Our focus on Les Mis as an avenue to showcase this talent is also an opportunity to work hand-in-hand with our parent/community supporters through the Waterloo Region Catholic Schools Foundation. What better way to show who we are and how we care about building community.*

*I'm looking forward to opening night!*

*Roger D. Lawler  
Director of Education*

The production of Les Miserables will take place at **Centre in the Square, April 6th to 9th**, and will be performed entirely by our Elementary and Secondary school students.

### To purchase tickets:

- Contact the Centre in the Square at 578-1570;
- Visit the Centre in the Square to purchase them in person; or,
- Online at [www.centre-square.com](http://www.centre-square.com)

Prices start at \$18.50.

