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Don't turn out the lights at shopping mall

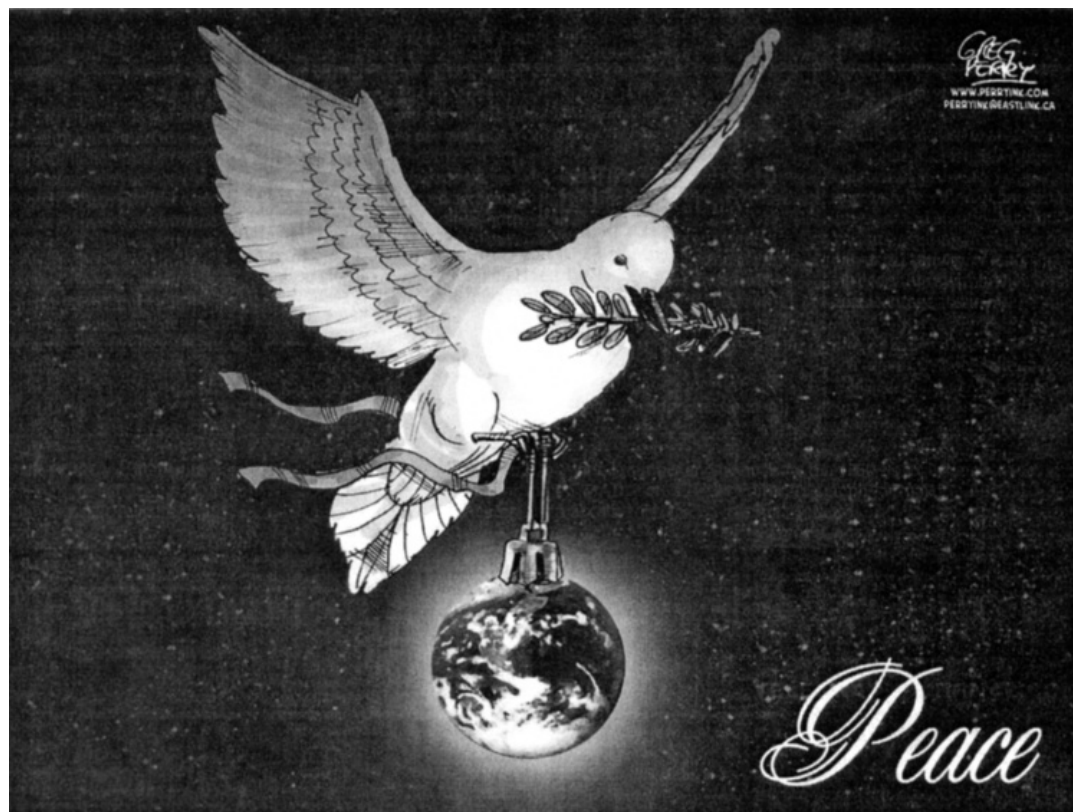
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The East Point Shopping complex and its developer, Troy Northrup, should be complimented for bringing a new identity, in dazzling Hollywood style, to Saint John's shopping district. By no means are these spot lights an intrusion on my way of life; rather, they seem to draw attention and excite the imagination of many in the Port City and surrounding area.

The lighting provides a sense of glamour, enhanced by the beautiful exhibit of well-lit trees and newly decorated store windows of the retailers within, opening the door for an adventure to be shared by our children, friends and family.

The type of lighting that the developer has chosen is common in more prominent and successful business areas of the world. Simply go to www.hollywoodlights.ca or www.metrokytracker.com to see other examples.

Many of the greatest structures of the world are lit up, as well as our finest church steeples. We get excited at



Christmas and travel around to different houses and neighbourhoods just to view the multitude of Christmas lighting. At exhibitions, on stage and

at concerts, spotlighting is important.

Don't turn out the lights! If we do, the adventure is over, our imagination fades away to darkness, and even

Santa Claus might lose his way.

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