

# Mold-Masters celebrates its 50th birthday

Mold-Masters devoted an entire week to celebrating its 50th birthday with the days dedicated to various aspects of the company's history, starting on Tuesday, Sept. 10, with the Mold-Masters Museum, featuring old products, along with photos of past events, employees, products, and tradeshow. Wednesday was Ice Cream Day, as an old-fashioned ice cream truck came during the lunch hour for employees to enjoy a cold treat. Thursday was the Cafeteria Carnival during the lunch hour with games such as redneck horseshoes, bean bag toss, a tricycle race, as well as a bake sale and prize raffle, where all money raised was donated to the Georgetown Bread Basket. Friday was Coffee and Timbits, serving coffee and timbits to employees in the cafeteria. Saturday was the Family BBQ and Carnival at the Croatian Centre. Bouncy castles, games, tug-o-war, a DJ, face painting, balloon clowns, and a BBQ was the order of the day.

Mold-Masters became the first company to exclusively manufacture hot runner systems. It was started by Jobst and Waltraud Gellert, a husband and wife duo, in a small shop in Toronto in 1963. The Gellerts later moved the company to the facility at 233 Armstrong Ave in Georgetown, in the early 1970s. The Gellerts contributed locally to the community, including substantially to the Gellert



Mold-Masters kicked off its week-long celebration of the company's 50 years as (from left) Ron Krisanda, President, Mold-Masters and Chief Operating Officer, Milacron; Tom Goeke, CEO, Milacron and Rick O'Leary, Chief Human Resources Officer, Milacron, cut the cake to officially start the week's activities.

*Photo by Ted Brown*

Community Centre and Mold-Masters SportsPlex, which bear their name.

Mold-Masters has grown to have over 1,750 employees, with offices and manufacturing facilities reaching every corner of the globe. Mold-Masters was recently acquired by U.S. plastics machinery company, Milacron, in June 2013.

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