



**GEORGETOWN KINSMEN CHRISTMAS TREE LOT OPENS:** Don Burt of the Georgetown Bread Basket accepts a \$3,800 cheque from Kinsmen Alan Ryall (centre) and Brian Krysa (right) at the Kinsmen Christmas tree lot at the corner of Guelph and Edward Sts. This year the Kinsmen were able to double the annual donation from \$1,900 to \$3,800, all of which goes towards fresh food boxes. The Kinsmen Christmas tree lot opened Thursday, Dec. 4 and runs through to the weekend of Dec. 19-20 or whenever they sell out of Balsams and Frazer Firs. In the last three years the Kinsmen have sold out well before Christmas. All money raised from the sale of Christmas trees remains in Georgetown to 'Service the communities greatest needs.'

Photo by Steve Frost

## Halton Hands in Motion adds a touch of whimsy to the Light Up the Hills display in Dominion Gardens

By Caitlin LaFlamme  
Halton Hands in Motion

For the second year in a row, Halton Hands in Motion (Georgetown's knitting and crochet guild) has partnered with Light up the Hills to deliver a fantastic collection of yarn installations throughout Dominion Gardens Park.

The project was initiated almost three years ago with extensive community planning and a massive yarn donation by Spin-Rite Canada. Guild members have dedicated many months of preparation, with much knitting and crocheting occurring throughout the summer when the group takes a small break from their monthly meetings.

Festive red and white striping adorns the lamp posts along "Candy Cane Lane" and this year extends throughout the many pathways of the park. Guild members produced over 100 unique items and have created some amazing "cozies" and 3D installations. A family of birds, a breakfast platter and even a group of minions can be found around the tree trunks throughout the park.

This group installation aims to deliver visual interest for those walking through the park, while communicating the value of shared experiences and community partnerships.

Participants have received sociological benefit as knitting and crocheting, once a solitary activity, have become a collective endeavour. The skills and creativity of many fiber artists working together were truly magnified in creating this installation. Our community stands to experience psychological rewards as people encounter the many detailed pieces. This initiative brightens the day

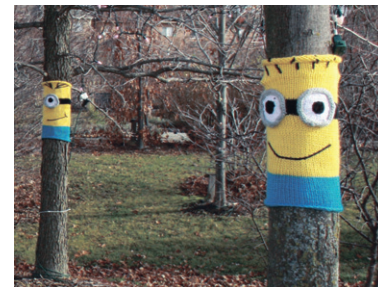


**Tree trunks are candy-striped on Candy Cane Lane in Dominion Gardens. Watch out for the minions!**  
Submitted photos

of passers-by, offering a surprise and a shift in perspective, while creating synergy between the artist and the community.

Interests in the guild or participation can contact Caitlin LaFlamme at c-laflamme@hotmail.com or 226-821-5844.

The Light Up the Hills displays in Dominion Gardens Park, corner of Maple Ave. and Guelph St. in Georgetown, in Acton Sports Park, beside the Acton Arena and in Shelagh Law Parkette in Glen Williams, continue until Jan. 3.



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