

Homecoming 2007

REMEMBER WHEN?

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Remember when winter Sunday afternoons were spent skating at the Memorial Arena? Remember when Doug Vivian, Cec Peacock and all the Rink Rats kept us all in line? Remember polishing your skates before going and attaching bells on the front laces? Remember Mrs. Pries selling hot chocolate and red licorice at the concession booth?

Remember eating french fries and gravy at the GDHS cafeteria? **Remember** Mrs. Kewley? Mr. Hamilton? Mr. Baxter? Mrs. Williams? Mrs. Blaney? Mr. McLaren? Mrs. Glynn? Mrs. Darcie? Mrs. Bowman? Mr. Ramatarsingh? Mr. Ursel? Mr. Nelson? (Insert your own favourite teacher's name here.)

Remember cheering on the Rebels at football games? Did you secretly wish to be a cheerleader, but you couldn't do a perfect cartwheel?

Remember when the Roxy burned down and we went to watch Disney movies upstairs at the Legion for 10 cents?

Remember when teens went to Stan's Restaurant to sit in the booths, play the jukebox, eat french fries and gravy and smoke up a storm? Did your Mother tell you that you couldn't go there?

Remember a guy called "Piggy", who was the best basketball player in the school even though he was a foot shorter than everyone else? (Have you said hi to him at the Lotto Booth recently?)

Remember when teenagers decided to join the A&W gang and sit in their cars until girls in short skirts brought root beer on a tray so heavy it could give you a hernia?

Remember the Lion's Club putting on rodeos? **Remember** minstrel shows to raise funds for the hospital?

Remember when the Dog'n Suds came to town? **Remember** how far it was to go all the way to the other side of town (but really it was only where McDonald's is today)?

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Remember Joe's Tuckshop on Main Street? What about Ma's Variety (near Kentners)? Did you buy sponge toffee from Archie's at the top of Ewing St.? Where was your favourite corner store? Did you collect pop bottles and spend the refund on candies?

Remember when Canadian Tire was where the Carpet Barn is today? Remember Rexall's one cent sales (way before Dollarama was invented)? Cotton Brothers? Silver's Dept. Store? Holmes 5 and 10 Cent store? Mr. Caruso's fruit store? Wigo TV? Goodlets? Thompson Hardware? Buck's Meats? Superior Food Market? Sykes Bakery?

Remember when you decided that you liked being with the Dairy Queen gang and you sat on the hoods of cars in the parking lot next door? Did you bring your pet raccoon (that you got from a guy named Chicklets) to the DQ in hope of getting all the boys' attention and then he pooped all down the front of you when you got there? (No? I guess it was only me who remembers that fiasco!)

Remember when you couldn't ride in boys' cars ("bedrooms on wheels" some parents thought). Remember doing it anyway and ducking every time you saw someone who knew your parents?

Remember driving to Brampton to go to the show and having a Big Boy hamburger at Shopper's World first?

Remember Saturday nights in the summer? Did you put on your cutest outfit and go roller-skating at the Memorial Arena? (It wasn't the "old" arena then. It was the "only" arena). Did you skate past Joe Letts wailing out songs like "In a Godda Da Vida baby"?

Remember Sadie Hawkins dances, when the girls asked the guys to go with them? (They are just called school dances now.)

Remember Santa's visit to the Legion when we all got oranges and those small striped candies? **Remember** seeing the Santa Claus parade and the Girls' Pipe Band?

Remember when you went to the Bantam tournament in search of excellent hockey? **Remember** when you went to the Bantam tournament even though you could care less about hockey, but because you hoped to find a hunky 15-year-old from Quebec or Northern Ontario?

Remember Bryan Day playing his electric guitar with his teeth?

Remember going to the Quarry? **Remember** skimpy bikinis and hoping they didn't fall down when you dived into that glorious turquoise water? **Remember** Waterfalls Playground and swimming at Terra Cotta?

Remember hiking your skirt up once you got past your neighbour's prying eyes?

Remember skating on neighbourhood ponds and going tobogganing at North Halton? Yup, nobody sued if they got hurt on your property in those days!

Remember when Ken Harrison taught music to every public school kid in town? But, if you wanted dance lessons, then you went to Brampton?

Remember when your friends' parents worked at Smith and Stone? Domtar? Abitibi? Remember when some families didn't have a car?

Remember Brent Barkhouse playing Classical Gas to perfection?

Remember when the Heslop family and the Hyde family had the only two private swimming pools in town? So, did you swim in the creek or at the Paper Mill damn instead?

Remember when Glen Williams had the best baseball teams in town...and the tightest-knit families?

Remember when Joseph Gibbons was the mayor, not a school? **Remember** he was about 100 years old when he retired (and even then it was because his car got smashed on the railway track and people said he should retire)?

Remember going on the Oxfam walk? Could you walk by the end of it?

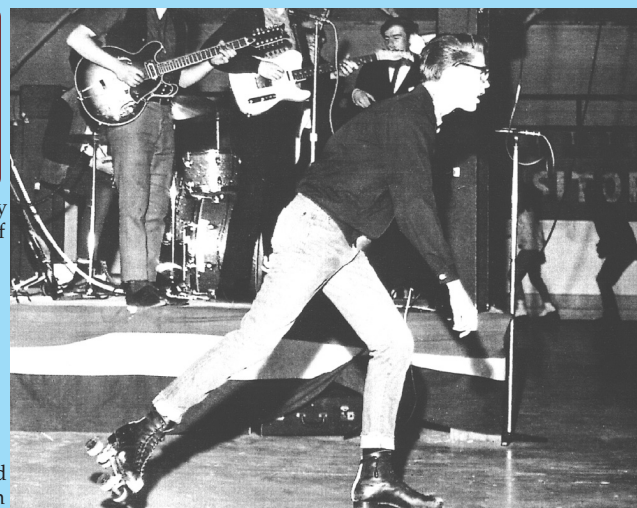
Remember when the Delrex Plaza was 100% outdoor access only?

Remember when that exciting new subdivision with the large houses was built in Moore Park?

Remember when Cedarvale Park when it was started as a Centennial project? **Remember** when it had the Youth Drop In Centre and teens played euchre there and snuck off to smoke questionable substances in the bushes? Did your mother tell you that you couldn't go there either?

You do? Then you grew up here in the 1950s and 1960s. Whatever your memories of Georgetown are, we hope that you'll join us for Homecoming 2007. Register online until July 23 at www.georgetown2007.ca. Please note that registration packages will not be coming to you by mail. You will be picking them up on July 27 and 28 at the Mold-Masters SportsPlex. Watch this paper Wednesday, July 25 for details.

P.S. It seems that the Fournier family would like to challenge the record set by the Howats and the Hydes for best family participation. There are NINE Fournier siblings coming to Homecoming 2007. Okay, you win! (And God bless Mrs. Fournier who raised the 11 kids on her own after she lost her husband at an early age).



Phil Hyde roller-skates to a live band at the Memorial Arena in the 1960's

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