

# THE KINSMEN CLUB

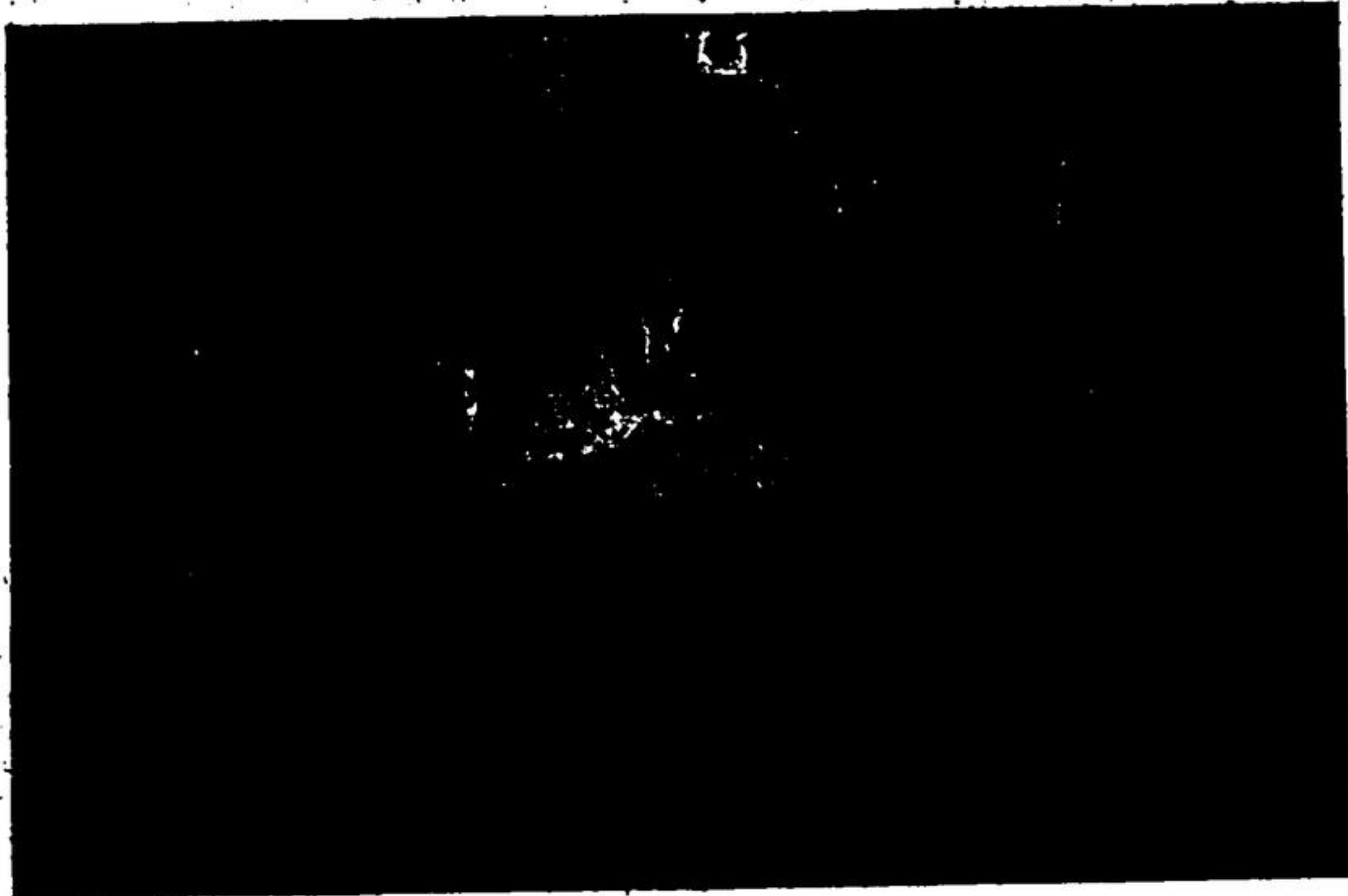
## OF GEORGETOWN - CELEBRATES

# 8 YEARS

### OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY



**KINSMEN CLUB FOUNDED IN 1920**  
**GEORGETOWN CLUB CHARTERED IN 1957**



1964 - 65 EXECUTIVE  
 Seated (l-r): Past President, Jack Findlay; President, Trev Moores; Deputy-Governor, Matt Blair; Vice Pres., Bob Collett; Jim Cooper; Standing (l-r): Al Murphy, Ken Milne, Leon Dearsley, Fred Harrison, Glen Wright.

### AIMS & OBJECTS of KINSMENSHIP

The object of this Association shall be to promote and direct fellowship among young men of good character within Canada, to the end:

That they may be improved and educated in modern business and professional methods and ethics;

That the interest of each in the welfare of his community may be stimulated;

That constitutional authority may be upheld;

That a spirit of co-operation, tolerance and understanding between all nations and all peoples be fostered and stimulated and the unity of thought and purpose throughout Canada be established toward this goal;

That they shall carry on service work within their community.

### ADMINISTRATIVE BREAKDOWN

The Association of Kinsmen Clubs is divided into 8 districts across Canada. Each district is divided into 5, 6 or 7 zones. Each zone contains anywhere from 3 to 20 clubs.

The Georgetown club meets every other Monday night for purposes of fellowship and to conduct business of money raising projects and service work. How the money is raised or what it is spent on is up to the Georgetown club with little or no interference from the National Executive.

Each Zone has a meeting of its clubs annually. Each District has one council meeting in the fall and one convention in the Spring. The national convention is held in August.

While one of the main objects of the clubs are to do service work, another objective is fellowship. A Kinsman is automatically welcome at any other club. To encourage this, each year the National executive publishes a booklet for "travelling Kinsmen" in which is listed, every club, time and place of meetings as well as the names and phone numbers of several Kinsmen in contact. This is also helpful to a Kinsman who changes his residence to another town. He doesn't have to leave the club - he simply transfers to another club near his new residence.

We the Kinsmen Club of Georgetown Inc. are celebrating our 8th birthday and we are also celebrating the 45th anniversary of the founding of the Kinsmen Association. We hope that during the celebration of National Kin Week we will be able to tell you the public, just how proud we are as a young club both in years of service to our town and in the age of our members of our record to our town and of course our entire Association of Kinsmen Clubs.

We Kin belong to an All-Canadian service organization, which was specifically formed to promote fellowship between young men while providing a service to the community in which we live.

The first Kinsmen Club was formed 45 years ago in Hamilton by a young man named Hal Rogers. From that inauspicious birth in a Chinese restaurant, the Association of Kinsmen has grown until with a present membership of over 13,000 members in over 400 clubs all across Canada.

We Kinsmen of Georgetown are eight years old. The Kinsmen of the Oakville Club were instrumental in forming an organization here. Along with Clare Burns, our charter president, and twenty-one other young men in town, and with the assistance and guidance from Oakville, the Kinsmen Club of Georgetown was chartered at a meeting in the Fischer Hotel in Guelph.

Since then we have enjoyed much fun and fellowship working at our service projects, which started off with the purchase and installation of playground equipment at the swimming pool. Since then we have donated to the hospital, built and equipped a parkette playground, conducted canvasses for the Retarded Children and March of Dimes, donated to the Legion Poppy Fund, Port Alberni, B.C. and Springhill, N.S. Disaster Funds, and minor hockey. We have banded together with the Legion, Lions and Rotary to provide a Merry Christmas for many families who require assistance at have been called on, and last but certainly not least we Kinsmen and our Kinettes have for two years sponsored and operated the Kinsmen Minor Girls Softball League, where we try diligently to make some 300 girls from 11 to 16 years of age into future Babe Ruths.

To finance all this service work, we of course need an income. This income in the last 8 years totals more than \$15,000, which has been spent on the aforementioned projects. This income has been derived from our annual \$10 dinners, our Christmas tree and mixed nut sales, plus our yearly fall fair hot dog booth, and various washermans, carnivals, tag days, house trailer raffle. We still remember very clearly, but we don't mention it very often that we held several monster bingo nights at the arena. Our anticipated profits from these bingo games appeared in the wrong column of the ledger and written in red ink rather than black.

Our service work goes on, but it's not all work. One of our basic reasons for our existence is the fellowship or Kinsmanship. We have the pleasure of meeting

every other Monday night for our dinner and business meetings at Stan's Restaurant at 8:30. It's during the dinner portion of our meeting that we have the fun and hi-jinks and during the business we buckle down to discuss and decide how best we can be of service to our community.

Our meetings of course provide a chance for us to meet our fellow Kin, but these meetings also provide an excellent opportunity for the members to gain self-assurance and poise by standing and speaking in front of a group of men, by learning how to conduct a meeting and learning to a certain degree, parliamentary procedure.

Mection time for Kinsmen, like everywhere else is a big time. Campaigns, slogans, signs and the usual chest-thumpings abound. The similarity with political elections ends there. It is good natured fun and the good of our club and our community is our prime concern.

We Kinsmen are proud to advertise our town and our country worldwide. We do so by belonging to the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs. We regularly communicate with the Round Table Clubs in the U.K., Europe and South Africa, the Apex Clubs in Australia and New Zealand and the Active 2030 Clubs in the USA. Our Club bulletin which we call the Kinews and member, plus many are exchanged with other Kin Clubs all across Canada, and are sent to our World Council Clubs around the world.

Two and a half years ago, we filmed and taped one of our dinner meetings and sent this to numerous Apex Clubs in Australia and Round Table Clubs in South Africa.

As we stated before we Kinsmen of Georgetown, all 30 of us, are extremely proud of our club and we are happy to take this opportunity to tell you about ourselves and share our pride.

We also would like to extend the warm welcome of Kinsmanship to any young men in or around Georgetown, between the ages of 21 and 40, who would like to join with us in our fun, and fellowship while we serve our community. Any one of the Kinsmen listed would be only too eager to introduce those interested, or a call to 877-2234 will do.

We the Kinsmen Club of Georgetown are proud to celebrate our 8th birthday and the 45th anniversary of our Association, and as our motto is "To Serve Our Community's Greatest Need", we will continue to live up to this motto so you the people of Georgetown will continue to be proud of us.

Our future plans include, we hope, the construction of Senior Citizens' apartments in Georgetown. As soon as the newly formed Ontario Housing Corporation has decided on their policy, we will know whether or not it is feasible for us to go ahead with our plans. We certainly hope that we can go ahead with this plan as we feel this is a much needed addition to our town.

### PAST PRESIDENTS

Georgetown Club

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| 1958-59: CLARE BURNS | 1960-61: BILL HEWITT | 1960-61: DEAN TAYLOR  |
| 1961-62: JACK SPENCE | 1962-63: HARRY LEVY  | 1963-64: JACK FINDLAY |
| 1964-65: TREV MOORES |                      |                       |

### 1965 MEMBERSHIP ROLL

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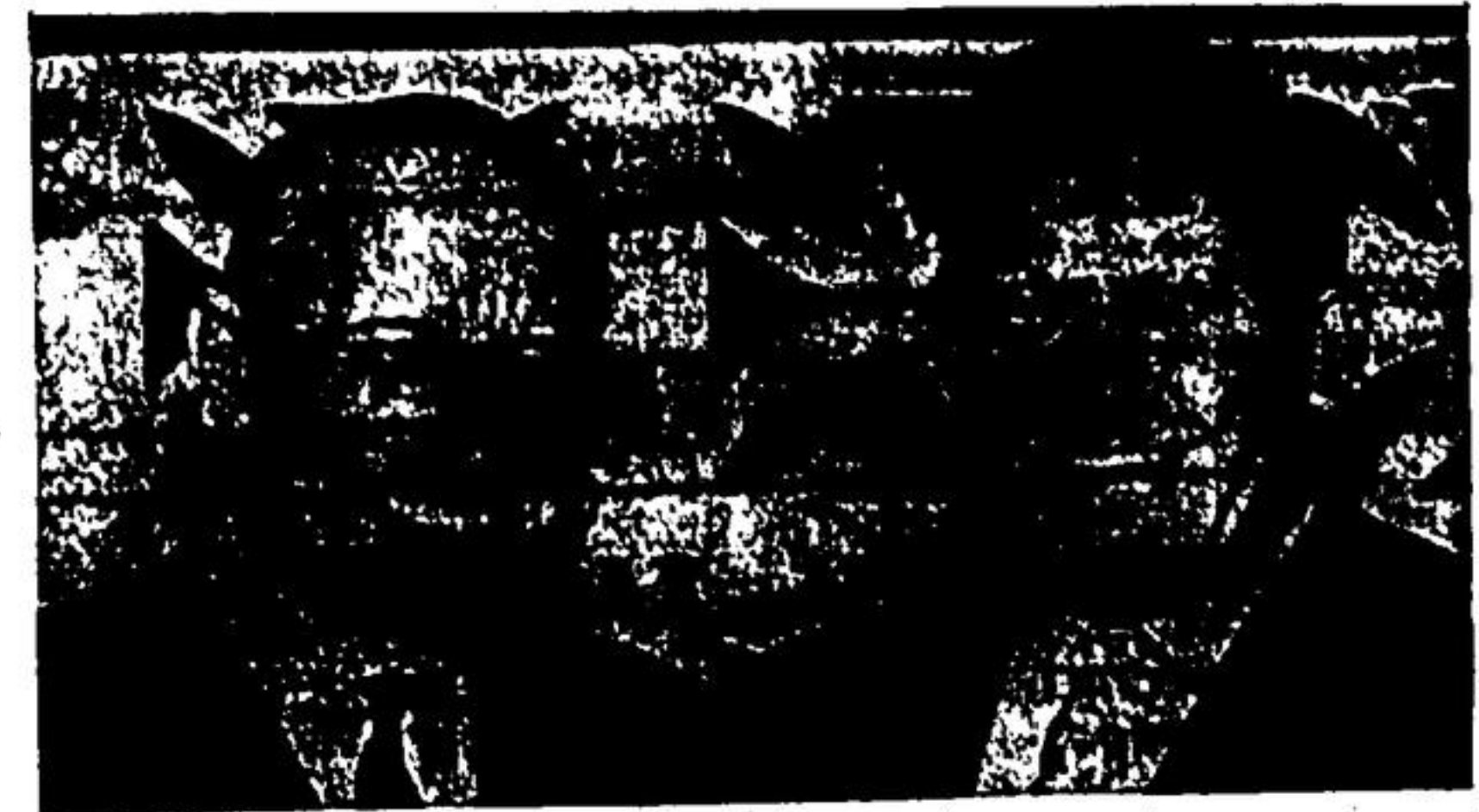
### KINSMEN

### INTER-SERVICE CLUB DINNER

Monday, March 1st

7 p.m. - Legion Hall

The Kinsmen will host an Inter-Service Club Dinner meeting to celebrate Kin Week ... Monday, March 1st at 7 p.m. in the Legion Hall. The National President of the Association of Kinsmen, Mr. John Goldie will be the guest speaker. The Lions, Rotary, Barbershoppers, and Jaycees have been invited to attend. The purpose of the meeting is to foster closer fellowship between the service clubs in Georgetown.



Above, the man who started it all, Harold Rogers, shown with former Georgetown Kinsman president Jack Spence, at Founders' Night Dinner in 1962.

### THE STORY OF KIN ...

When a small group of young men gathered together on a winter's night of February, 1920, in Hamilton, Ontario, to discuss the formation of a young men's club little did they realize it would be the spark that would flame into a nation-wide organization of over 400 clubs and 13,000 members.

That in fact was the beginning of the Kinsmen Club at Hamilton. Harold A. (Hal) Rogers, who was 20 at the time, was a salesman for his father's plumbing and heating firm but he found his leisure time heavy on his hands. He happened to mention his problem one day to youthful Harold Phillips, of Montreal, who was working out his ninth lonely month in a strange city.

After a preliminary meeting in Phillips' rooms, the group expanded and held its first dinner meeting in the old Nanking Cafe on Hamilton's King Street. That was the start of the movement which now has clubs in every Canadian province and which does a tremendous service job in countless ways.

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