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SID AND LUCILLE SILVER WITH GIFTS

## 200 gather to honor Sid and Lucille Silver

More than 200 people filled the North Halton Golf and Country Club dining room Wednesday to pay homage to one of Georgetown's most well-known merchants.

Sid Silver, whose family operated Silver's dry goods store on Main Street for 49 years until he retired three months ago was "overwhelmed" by the honor he received. He cautioned his friends to bear with him in case his "voice stuttered or failed."

Mr. Silver, and his wife Lucille, were presented with a copy of Canada's gift to the Bicentennial of the United States, a photographic expression of "Between Friends" and also a floral still-life painting.

"I am a great recipient of all this honor tonight and I can only thank you and thank you again," Mr. Silver said filled with emotion at being honored by "a few friends."

He then proceeded to speak to some who have watched and found out how it was to put up with my philosophy on business and sport... about which I am a self-proclaimed expert."

Master of ceremonies, George Gray, said Mr. Silver was the "epitome of the successful businessman."

Silver's began in the 1920's when Mr. Silver's father Heyman peddled door-to-door and decided in 1927 to open a store in Georgetown.

Sid Silver graduated as a chemical engineer from the University of Toronto in 1935 and following "three weeks at 40 cents an hour" stocking blast furnaces at Stelco in Hamilton,

joined his father in the business.

What followed was expansion of the Silver's store to branch outlets in Orillia, Brampton and New Toronto.

Such was the reputation of the firm that Julian Reed, MPP for Halton-Burlington and a resident of Norval, related how his grandfather Alex Noble stressed patronizing home trade and "if you can't get it in Norval we'll buy it from Silver's."

Among the many accolades which were given to Mr. and Mrs. Silver were greetings from Mayor Tom Hill, still recovering in hospital from a foot infection, and Premier William Davis. Tom Beer of Georgetown district high school also thanked Mr. Silver for the annual award presented to a Grade 13 student who established proficiency above average.

The award is made in honor of Mr. Silver's father.

"The entire Silver family from that day, in 1926 when they arrived from Toronto, to this has found Georgetown a fountain of life and security," Mr. Silver said.

"I am convinced this is a good town—I am convinced this is a good town to live in."

He said he chose to concentrate on business in Georgetown because of the people. They are "the kind of people I like to do business with, they are not unduly sophisticated or slick," he said.

Mr. Silver urged downtown merchants not to emulate large malls or shopping plazas and urged that downtown merchants "do your own

thing" regarding the provincial legislation which allows downtown redevelopment.

Mr. Gray noted how Mr. Silver's employees always regarded him as a father figure whether in the "early or late" years.

It was at this point that Mrs. Silver noted that she never worried about her husband being called father, but when "they said call me mother, that's when I get worried."

Among the guests at the testimonial dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Silver's son Arthur, daughter Jane, and brother and sister Nathan and Marie.

The biggest understatement of the evening came from organizing committee chairman Walter Biehn who said the committee was made large, 11 people, because we "did not know if we would get very many people and if very few people came they'd have to phone a few more people."

Following dinner and entertainment which featured caricaturist Lee Barker, the Silver's spent the evening mingling with a multitude of friends.

**Tag days**

Two tag days and two "official" weeks for Georgetown were proclaimed by council Monday.

Jaycee Week began Sunday, Sept. 19 and runs to Sept. 26. It's followed immediately by Canadian Arthritis Society Week to Oct. 1.

The tag days for the Georgetown Minor Hockey Support Group are Friday, Oct. 22 and Saturday, Oct. 23.

### ACCIDENT REPORT

## A sneeze, and road put cruiser in ditch

A sequence of events on a "hilly, twisting" road of "loose gravel and washboard ruts" on a "misty night with low fog patches" landed a Halton police cruiser in the ditch after its driver began sneezing.

Police said damage to a cruiser driven by Const. Ayodhya "Joe" Prasad Sept. 16 at 2:35 a.m. was \$1,000.

The mishap on the 9th Line south of 27 Sideroad, occurred after the cruiser came down a steep hill onto a sharp turn.

As Const. Prasad drove northbound down the hill, he began sneezing, applied his brakes, but the vehicle went out of control and slid into the ditch, police said.

Limehouse bicyclist Ronda Clow, L22 C5, suffered bruised knees after she was in collision with a car driven by Alexander Walker, L16 C8, on Halton Road 20, Sept. 16 police said.

Estimated damages were \$70 to Clow's bicycle but nil to Walker's car.

A three car collision at Guelph Street and Maple Avenue slightly injured one passenger and damaged all three vehicles, Sept. 16, police said.

A car driven by Jan M. Kranendonk, L12 Noble Street, Norval was in collision with that of David A. Bagby, 100 Weber Dr. in which was passenger Rodney Allen, 12 McIntyre Cres. The Bagby vehicle collided with Margaret J. McMenemy's of 57 Normandy Blvd, police said.

Estimated damages were \$200 to Kranendonk's vehicle, \$500 to Bagby's and \$150 to McMenemy's.

The brakes failed on a car driven by Maurice Godin, L15 C6, while he was turning from the 10 Sideroad to the 5th Line, Sept. 15, police said, causing the vehicle to go out of control

and roll into the ditch. No injuries were reported.

Estimated damage to Godin's vehicle is \$1,000.

Police said that while braking on wet, slippery pavement Sept. 17, a car driven by K. Paluszkiwicz, 11 Rosefield Dr., went out of control and slid into the ditch near 335 Guelph St.

Estimated damages to the lawn and a culvert was \$50. Paluszkiwicz's vehicle escaped undamaged.

Police said a car driven by Manley M. Densmore, L15 C6, was in collision with one driven by James R. Peacock, 14 Heather Crt., Sept. 17 in front of 22 Guelph St.

Estimated damages were \$200 to Peacock's vehicle and \$100 to Densmore's.

Windsor Road at the side of 170 Guelph St. was the scene of an accident Sept. 18 when a car driven by Patricia Davies, 112 Mountainview Rod. S. was in collision with a car owned by Norman Sinclair, L32, C10, police said.

Estimated damages were \$400 to Sinclair's vehicle but nil to Davies.

Police said an unknown driver struck a hydro pole at Queen Street and Guelph Street, Sept. 18 and caused \$100 in damages.

### Glen man in drug bust

A Glen Williams man was one of 23 arrested last week by RCMP Peel Regional and Metro police following a six month drug investigation.

Police discovered \$13 million worth of marijuana, hashish, cannabis, cocaine as well as chemicals and formulas for producing MDA, sometimes called the "love drug" in a raid in a Peel Region building.

Those arrested came from Caledon East, Chinguacousy, Shelburne, Burlington, Richmond Hill, Markham and Toronto. Their ages varied from 19 to 37.

### Footpath study

Council asked general administration committee to recommend whether the footpath between Cedarvale Park and Terry Court be fenced to keep out motorcycles and mini-bikes.

Council's move came Monday following Coun. Roy Booth's complaint that the path is used by motorcycles and mini-bikes but because it is private property the police are powerless to remove the offenders.

### Official plan

The region will have an open house starting at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 23 at the Georgetown Arena from Sept. 18 to 23 a regional display will be at the Georgetown library. From Sept. 23 to 30 the display will be at the municipal offices.

### RED CROSS AWARDS

At the blood donor clinic in Holy Cross Church Hall Sept. 13 the following donors reached these award levels:

50th donation scroll and pin—Mr. A. C. Barrett, Mr. M. L. Murphy, Mr. G. L. Powell.

35th donation scroll and pin—Mrs. M. Badham, Mrs. E. M. Barrett.

20th donation pin—Mr. L. D. Bradley, Mr. I. Booth, Mr. D. V. Smith, Mr. P. G. Woods.

10th donation pin: Mrs. B. Boone, Mrs. M. Dewinter, Mr. C. P. Ewing, Mr. R. G. Lafame, Mr. S. N. Reid, Mrs. M. Siddall, Mr. J. P. Thompson, Mrs. J. Vangoek, Mr. A. Vanpamelen, Mrs. D. Zello.

### Terra Cotta camp meet

In spite of miserable weather Friday evening the Hungry Hollow Hobos camping club held their 5th annual Fall Campout at Terra Cotta Gardens Campgrounds.

It turned out to be a beautiful weekend and several families from the Preston Panhandlers of Cambridge, the Caledonia Campers from Caledonia, the West End Weekenders of Etobicoke and the area directors Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stevenson from Hamilton attended.

A prize was received by Robin Hall the youngest camper 3½ years of the Hungry Hollow Hobos of Georgetown and Mrs. Robinson from Streetsville of the West End Weekenders won the prize for the oldest 71 years. Each family in attendance received a gift.

A surprise auction was held Saturday morning followed by the Hobo Olympic games in the afternoon.

Church service was held Sunday morning under a beautiful sunny sky.

After a delicious pot luck dinner on Sunday at noon hour the campers returned home.

### Georgetown 4-H club no. 2 meets

The first meeting of the Georgetown No. 2 club was held on Monday Sept. 13 at the home of our leader, Mrs. Thomas.

"Featuring Fruit" this season's club was discussed by Mrs. Thomas and assistant leader was Mrs. Edwards.

The election of officers was next. As President, Anna Edwards was elected. As vice president Wendy Chapline was

elected. For our Club Treasurer Wendy Furrow was elected and as press reporter Marcia Lowin was elected.

New members were welcomed into our 4-H club. We made strawberry cooler, which is a punch, and Apricot Balls, which as everyone commented, were very good.

Our next meeting will be held at Cedarvale Park.

### Film showing Sunday

TIME TO RUN, a film that is a mixture of problems and solutions, will be shown at Mountainview Baptist Church at the 130th anniversary on Sunday, Sept. 26. The feature will be shown once beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Filed on location in the Southern California area, TIME TO RUN, stars Ed Nelson, Randall Carver,

Barbara Sigel, Joan Winmill and Gordon Regaby. Nelson plays Warren Cole, a hard driving success-oriented industrial and scientific engineer who, because of over-involvement with his work, has failed to communicate with his wife Fran, played by Joan Winmill, or their son Jeff, played by screen newcomer Randall Carver.

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