



Re-elected Georgetown Chamber of Commerce President George Gray with his wife Bev and guest speaker Dr. Angela Armitt

## Chamber proposes walkway, Gray re-elected president

Georgetown Chamber of Commerce is actively seeking to establish a footpath right-of-way from Guelph Street to Maple Avenue along the east bank of the Silver Creek.

The proposal, revealed at the Chamber's annual meeting Wednesday, will be the major project for the business organization during 1977, President George Gray said.

Plans also call for the establishment of an arboretum environment along the water-course for use by the public and school children.

"If you've ever seen the park system in Fergus, Guelph or Listowel," Mr. Gray said, "you can appreciate the dream that your Chamber has at the present time."

Because of the major project and the continuing problems with unemployment associated with plant shutdowns and reductions in local labor forces, the Chamber

re-elected Mr. Gray, as president to continue his efforts in these areas.

Other officers elected are: Bill Ward, first vice-president; Roy Booth, second vice-president.

Directors: Bruce McIntyre; Jim Gordon; Peter Pomeroy; Rick West; Bill Smith; Jon Zorge; Fred Aggis and Bill Crawford.

A special raffle during the dinner program raised \$181 toward the Chamber's commitment of \$500 for the Memorial Arena renovation fund.

Dr. Angela Armitt, director of extension and summer school, University of Western Ontario, captivated the audience in the dining room of the North Halton Golf and Country Club for more than 90 minutes as she illustrated through a series of jokes the need to see humor in everyday life.

## Majorettes team first in Ontario

Nine girls, all members of the Georgetown Majorettes in advanced junior dance twirl came first in the Ontario championships held Saturday at New Toronto secondary school.

The advanced junior team composed of Anna-Marie Stone, Kim Marcell, Janet Doyle, Diane Stone and Shelly Avery came third in competitions.

Georgetown's Lisa Sheehan came fourth runner-up in the Miss Majorette of Ontario competition in the advanced division. Coreena Robertson came second in the Little Miss Intermediate Miss Majorette of Ontario competition.

About 300 girls from across the province took part in the Ontario championships. The Georgetown Majorettes will

next take part in the Canadian championship scheduled for sometime in late May.

The nine girls who came first in the advanced junior dance twirl are: Anna-Marie Stone, Kim Marcell, Brenda Hyde and Janet Doyle, Diane Smith, Dianna Stone, Daine Doyle, Cathy Ryan and Shelly Avery.

## Terra Cotta group, school pupils, display friendship

Students of the Creditview school east of Terra Cotta proudly displayed proof of their friendship with area residents at an Open House Thursday evening when they unveiled banners for their house leagues made by members of the Terra Cotta Thursday Thimble Club.

School principal John Wilcox explained that all the students of the school belong to one of the four school teams, Warriors, Tornados, Knights or Roadrunners.

A couple of years ago the members of the Thursday Thimble Club donated a plaque to be won by the house, or team, with the highest number of points at the end of the year. This year they decided to make banners for each of the teams. The banners were unveiled at the Open House last week.

Club president, Elsie Puckering, says that the banners made in dressmakers satin on school colors of purple and gold, only took a couple of weeks to stitch up. There are 17 members in the Thursday Thimble Club.

"The children themselves made the designs," says Mrs. Puckering. "We just did the applicable work."



JOYCE BEATON

## Compassion

In my crystal ball gazing I have a wish for the future. I wish for more understanding and compassion in our human relationships.

Sometimes the operative words are authority and power. No one wants to give up authority and power. It's in business or personal relationships. Sometimes we do insidious things to try and keep another person where we are most comfortable with them. . . . whether it's the best thing for that person or not.

As women do insidious things to ourselves and to others to avoid the pain and disruption that our personal growth demands. It's unfortunately possible to remain the same within the daily change of our life.

### LIVING THROUGH OTHERS

Sometimes as women we satisfy ourselves by patterning our lives around the changes occurring in our children's lives. When our husbands receive a promotion we claim a portion of his achievement as our reward for keeping him healthy, well dressed and sexually happy.

Sometimes as women we get so wrapped up in everyone else's life we neglect our own development. We end up losing our confidence in our own abilities. We accept the role laid on us by society to the exclusion of ourselves.

I hope in the future we will consider the person first and the system second. This works both ways, for men and women alike. Let's talk about women for a minute.

### FRIGHTENED BY CHANGE

Many women are frightened at the prospects of change. . . . of having to shape up. Many women refuse to take charge of their lives again because they never were in charge. They went from the protection of their parent's home to the protection of their husband's.

They were fed and clothed and loved at home and they transferred their needs to their husband when they married.

One of the biggest fears these women have is that if they rock the boat they will lose the love they have tried to protect.

Pressures are put on women by those they love. Pressures to keep them in the familiar, comfortable role that can strangle all efforts to improve their lot.

## School dates set for next year—already!

Halton board of education has set the dates of the 1977-1978 school year.

There will be 197 school days, nine of which will be used for teacher's professional activity days.

The school year will begin Sept. 6 and end June 30.

Thanksgiving day will be celebrated Oct. 10 and Remembrance Day, Nov. 11. The Christmas holiday will begin

Dec. 23 and end Jan. 2.

The board named Feb. 10 as a proposed alternate holiday for Easter Monday. The mid-winter break will be from March 20 to 27. Good Friday is March 24 and Easter Monday, March 27, will be part of the mid-winter break.

Victoria Day will be celebrated May 22.

The board turned down an amendment which would have

reduced by one the number of professional activity days for teachers.

Professional activity days for elementary school teachers will be on Sept. 6; Nov. 28; Jan. 27; March 6 and June 29 and 30. As well there will be three "float" days which will vary according to area. In the north these days will be Oct. 28, April 7 and May 12.

In the west, the three "float"

days for elementary teachers will be Nov. 4, Feb. 10 and April 21. In the east, they will be Oct. 21, Jan. 13 and April 14.

Professional activity days for secondary school teachers will be Sept. 6, Jan. 27 and Jan. 30 and 31 or neither. For semestered schools the professional activity days will be June 26 to 30; in non-semestered schools the days will be June 22 to 30.

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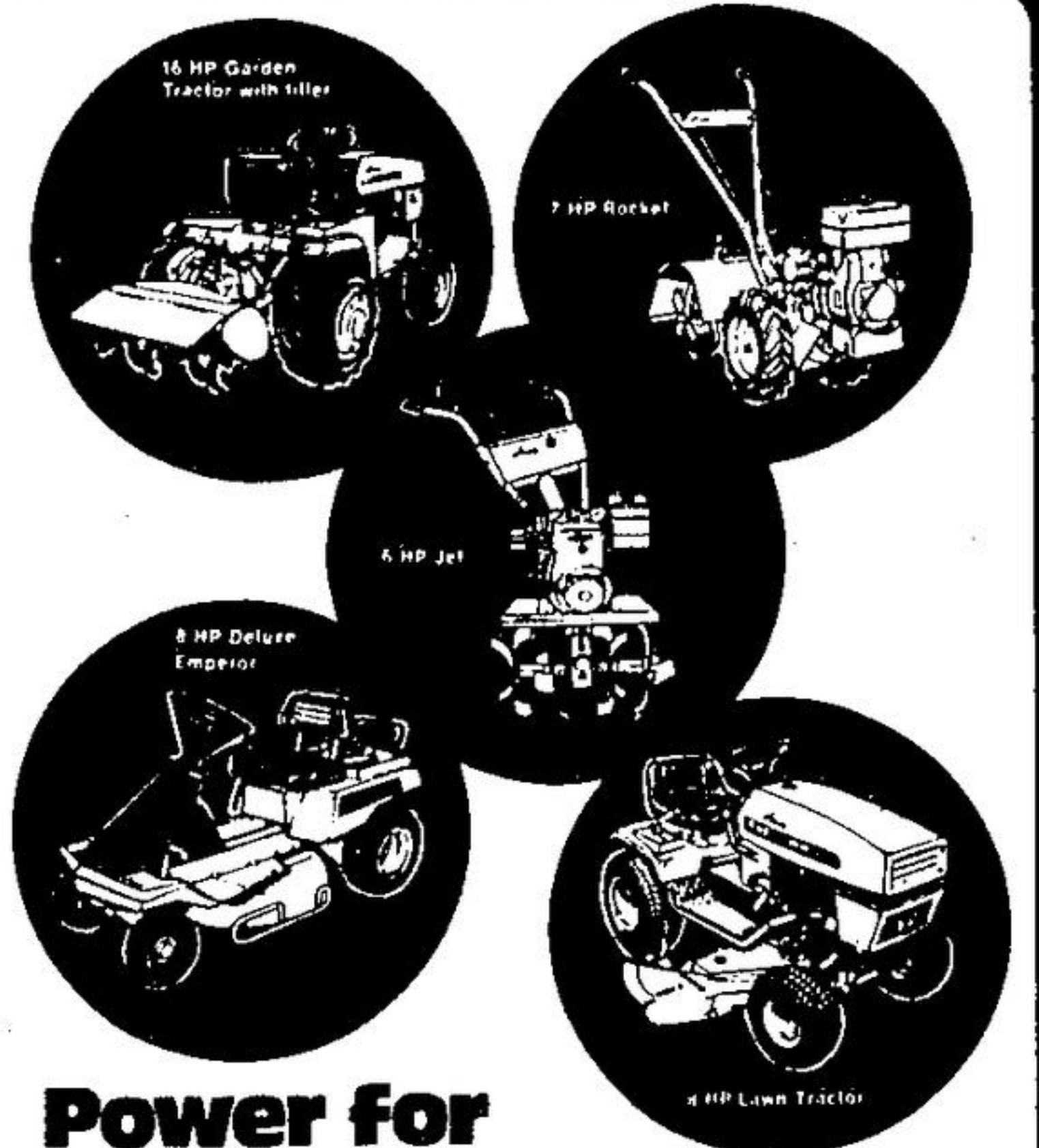
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