

Kinettes: Celebrating 40 years of community service and kinship across Canada

The Kinette Club of Georgetown is 23 years old this year, and joins sister clubs nationwide in commemorating Canadian Kinettes' 40 years of hard work, good deeds and warm friendships



Pitch 'er in there, Pete. Mayor Pete Pomeroy wasn't left holding the bag with the \$3,000 for long. The money has been pledged by the Georgetown Kinsmen and Kinettes towards cystic fibrosis. Some of the \$3,000 has already been raised from "bubbles" to collect donations in Acton and Georgetown stores, and from proceeds of Opry North last month. To meet their target, the Kinettes are holding a garage sale May 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 115 Delfox Boulevard near Rexway Drive.

There will be a large selection of items for sale, including toys. Giving the local Kinsmen and Kinettes a morale boost Saturday at the Georgetown Market Place were (left to right) Kinsmen and CF co-ordinator Bob Malcolmson, Loomis driver Glenn Froulx of Ottawa, Loomis branch manager Leo Sabourin of Ottawa, Loomis custodian Bob Potter, Kinette CF chairman Sheryl Savage, Kinette president Marny Malcolmson, and Kinette co-ordinator Carol Pearson. (Herald photo)

Area Kinsmen, Kinettes have raised \$10,000 thus far

Armored car rolls sea to sea collecting Kin funds for CF

Loomis Courier Service's Armored Truck Division arrived in Halton Hills Saturday to help Kinsmen promote their involvement in the fight against cystic fibrosis. Loomis will be going coast to coast until Aug. 19, when it will arrive at the Kinsmen National convention in Brandon Manitoba with what is estimated will be \$1,000,000 in money from the some 1,100 Kinsmen and Kinettes

in Canada. During the month of May, your local Kinsmen and Kinettes have placed CF Bubble packs throughout Acton and Georgetown to help raise the badly needed research dollars. To date this year Kinsmen and Kinettes of the Mississauga, Brampton and Halton areas have raised in excess of \$10,000 from the Bubble Packs, so as you can see pennies can make a million.

Kinsmen have supported cystic fibrosis for the past 18 years and one question asked is why do they work so hard to raise the money for cystic fibrosis. To answer such a question, we should first understand what has evolved since CF was first identified some 40 years ago. Prior to the discovery of cystic fibrosis, parents were often openly accused by medical staff of causing

malnutrition. Many parents were actually arrested for child abuse, for as we know, many of the symptoms of CF are similar. Today, cystic fibrosis remains the most common lethal genetic disorder in children. But, thanks to improved care, treatment, and intensive research, much has been done to extend and improve the quality of life for our CF child. Kinsmen first became

involved in 1964, with a donation of \$10,000 (almost the cost of drugs and equipment required each year by a CF child). In the 1970s Kinsmen initiated the funding of the Kinsmen Research Clinic at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children. Last year coast to coast Kinsmen and Kinettes collectively raised in excess of \$900,000. Since 1964 they have raised over \$4.9 million.

Halton Hills' needy children have toys - thanks to Kinettes

When the Georgetown Kinettes decided to collect Christmas toys for needy children back in 1965, they never dreamed it would become their major annual service project, still

going strong after 18 years! At that time the Georgetown Welfare Office packed food, candles, mittens and scarves for needy families but the Kinettes felt Christmas is

not Christmas without a few toys, a tricycle, or a coveted pair of skates. Not only did the Kinettes collect, sort and bag the toys donated by the generous townspeople, they had

work parties to sew doll clothes, re-paint rocking horses and fix up the toys. In more recent years the Kinettes have worked in conjunction with Roma Timpson and the Good Neighbor Service, collecting and bagging the toys according to the sex and age of the children in each family.

The people of Georgetown have never ceased to be extremely generous, in fact a great many toys



ALWAYS TIME FOR A LITTLE FUN
Bathing Beauties and Hawaiian luau celebrants



Club bursary in memory of president

Beginning with the Kinette Club's inception in 1959, several bursaries were provided for worthy Georgetown High School students each year. Then, in 1962, tragedy struck a Georgetown family. Kinsman Reg Higham and his wife, Kinette Past President Marg Higham were killed in an auto accident, while vacationing in Quebec. As a tribute to their unselfish involvement in their community, the Kinettes created the Margaret Higham Memorial Bursary, first presented in November of 1962 to a Georgetown High School grad, showing high proficiency and school involvement.



KINSMEN CLUB
of Georgetown

There have been many changes in Georgetown since the Kinette Club was established in Feb. 1959, but through it all the Kinettes have enthusiastically provided many years of service work for their community. The original Kinette Club of Georgetown, under charter president Eva Middleton boasted 23 members. There have been ups and downs in the membership over the years but the club has leveled off at 12 very involved women. The Kinettes know they can always count on help from the Kinsmen and Kin wives when undertaking a large project.

The Kinette Club of Georgetown helps the Kinsmen in most Service projects including Blood Donor clinics, the Bump-for-Life dance-athon for Cystic Fibrosis and the Christmas tour of the lights for senior citizens. During the past 23 years, the Kinette Club has worked at many varying fund-raising and service projects. Some of these included "Floral Fantasy" by Fendley Florists, bake tables at the Fall Fair, rummage sales and the extremely popular Kinette Krause dances of the early 1960s, held annually at the Riviera Club.

years has been the Ladies' Night, an enjoyable evening of casino games, refreshments and entertainment for women of all ages. The Kinettes have taken on several new major projects in recent years. The Flea Market held in October proved to be a complete success and has become an annual fall project. For two years the club has held a very successful Jeans and T-shirt dance in March. The Kinette Club of Georgetown has consistently supported many

enjoys a rewarding social aspect. Attending dances and Kin family get-togethers helps to form lasting friendships and memories. For the past 23 years, the Kinette Club of Georgetown has worked enthusiastically on many worthwhile projects, and looks forward to many more years of community service.

EXECUTIVE
Pres. - Marny Malcolmson, V. pres. - Carol Gougoun, Secretary - Barb Knapp, Treasurer - Ritchie Hogan, Registrar - Jean McMillan, Bulletin Editor - Cheryl Crawford, C.F. Chairperson - Sheryl Savage.

COMMITTEES
Annual Flea Market (October).
Seniors Christmas Tour (Table Favors).
Annual Christmas Toy Drive.
Spring Dance.

Kinette Presidents' honor roll 1959-82

1959-60	Eva Middleton	1967-68	Rosine Levy	1974-75	Marilyn Cook
1960-61	Marg Higham	1968-69	Noreen Miehman	1975-76	Marilyn Cook
1961-62	Lorna Taylor	1969-70	Karen Harrison	1976-77	Bonnie Earle
1962-63	Ida Alcorn	1970-71	Donna Diegel	1977-78	Sue Cooper
1963-64		1971-72	Lorna Michasin	1978-79	Colleen Armstrong
1964-65		1972-73	Sharon Middleton	1979-80	Cheryl Crawford
1965-66		1973-74	Helen Curtis	1980-81	Carol Pearson
1966-67	Marilyn Sunnucks			1981-82	Marny Malcolmson

Georgetown club's had busy 23 years

1982 is the 40th anniversary for the Kinette Club in Canada, but every year has been a big year for Kinettes in terms of involvement in service work throughout the country and abroad. The Georgetown Kinettes have been active for the past 23 years - here are but a few of the highlights of those years in terms of the club's varying service projects and fund-raising events.

1959-60 - Adopted 8 year old German girl through Canadian Save the Children Fund.
1961-67 - Held Annual Kinette Krause Dance.
1961 - Handled the billeting arrangements for hundreds of boys during Banham Hockey Tournaments.
1960-61 - Held Spring Fashion Show in aid of new Georgetown Hospital Fund.
1962-63 - Created Margaret Higham Memorial Bursary, awarded annu-

ally to Georgetown High School Grad.
1963-65 - Annual food booth at Georgetown Fall Fair.
1963-66 - Held bridge and euchre party to aid in building of senior citizens apartment.
1963-82 - Handled annual Christmas Toy Drive for needy area children.
1973-76 - Sponsored annual "Floral Fantasy" show.
1979-82 - Annual Kinette Flea Market.



HONORED PAST PRESIDENTS



PERENNIAL FUND-RAISING EFFORTS

Kinettes man the flea market tables