

# Dave Barrager heads up Gemini hockey

Four years ago when he first got involved with Georgetown Geminis, Dave Barrager never thought he would someday become the team's president.

That however changed this spring.

Barrager was elected president after serving in the first vice-president last year and second vice the year before. He said a keen interest in the game and its players were the keys to his involvement with the Junior B club.

"I think there is a certain amount of enjoyment in being involved with young men in their hockey career, he said. "I like the fellowship of the other executive members and sitting down with others to raise funds in order to represent the community with a Junior B hockey club."

As president Barrager said his responsibilities include handling the administration of the hockey team, enforcing the constitution and making sure the team runs according to those guidelines. He also appoints chairmans for the different committees.

However, Barrager said he will not just be involved in the appointment of jobs to people. The president will too take an active role in the work department.

One of the more pressing issues facing the president now is getting more executive members involved with the hockey club. Barrager said there is still room for any interested parties to get involved.

A former hockey player in the Georgetown minor hockey system, Barrager said the calibre of junior B hockey is really quite high.

"I would say that Junior B hockey is the most exciting and physical league in hockey today. It can be a stepping stone to the pros.

"But there is a lot of frustration too. Like wanting to do all the things we would like to and not being able to because of not being able to afford it. For example like going on a two hour trip to Barrie and wanting a more comfortable bus, or buying inexpensive transportation where the heater doesn't work in the middle of January."

Annually the Geminis look at a budget of



Dave Barrager, who is seen sitting (front row, middle) with his Gemini executive has to somewhere near \$40,000 and while that might sound high, it comes up short to the \$60,000 or so budgets handled by other teams in the Central Ontario Junior B League to which the Geminis belong.

"We are one of the most frugal teams in the league in that we eliminate a lot of waste. We try to cut our expenses anyway we can in order to meet the club's budget."

Last year the Geminis went with a lot of youth on the ice, and had a rebuilding season. This year a lot of the players and executives are hopeful the lessons of last year will mean success in the playoffs this year.

run a tight ship in order for the Junior B hockey club to make their budget last.

"These guys (young players) are coming back as seasoned Junior B players, and they know what they are up against now. Due to the competitive nature, I don't think you can compare minor hockey to Junior B so those juvenile and new players we got last year needed time to get used to this league."

When the day comes when Barrager is no longer on the team's executive he said he won't stop helping out wherever he can.

"I'd stay on as a past president afterwards and I'd be willing to work at whatever I was needed at."

## GRANT CLATWORTHY

### He knows benefits of phys-ed

When Grant Clatworthy considers a new activity for the physical education department at Georgetown District High School, he has more to worry about than how it will benefit his specific department.

"Sometimes people have tunnel vision," he said. "The most important thing is the emphasis must be on what is best for the school as a whole.

"Say for example if I want to institute a new program into the physical education department. If that program will weaken from three others, then maybe not offering it will help the other three."

Clatworthy has been the phys ed department head the past two years. He has been a faculty member at the high school the past 10 years.

His first three years at GDHS, the Western grad taught science as well as physical education. For the past seven years he has been mainly a phys ed teacher.

As the head of his department Clatworthy is in charge of looking after the different curriculum and programs and making sure they are current and up to date. He is also

responsible for the purchase of equipment, materials and also supervises those staff members in his department.

As well Clatworthy schedules the facilities at the school, makes up the time table, acts as a liaison between the school teams, Student Athletic Association (SAA) and school itself. If that isn't enough, he is also a volleyball coach at both the high school in Georgetown and Sheridan College.

In fact, Clatworthy guided the Sheridan Bruins ladies team to an Ontario Colleges Athletic Association (OCAA) title and a fifth place finish at the national championships.

Needless to say, Clatworthy has been a busy man this year.

"It does take a lot of organization, but I enjoy it."

When Clatworthy became the department head he had set some goals, which have for the most part been realized, or are on the road to being realized.

"I wanted to strengthen the SAA, develop the intramural program, pursue a Co-op credit system in phys ed. I'm happy with how the in-



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