

SADD members gather to hold workshop

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Georgetown District High School SADD members are going full steam ahead on their plans for this semester.

Since Students Against Driving Drunk came into existence in Canada four years ago, public awareness on the subject has increased and fatalities have dropped significantly. SADD began at Georgetown District High School in September 1987. The Optimist Club and the Town Council have also been involved in raising public awareness on drinking and driving. SADD deals with students on the important subject and they have received a lot of positive input.

Mavis O'Neil, Bev Mascola, and Sam Assad, three teachers at the high school, have led 15 to 20 students in various fundraising events. The recent bake sale was very successful and there are plans to have a balloon release from the school. T-shirts with the Rebel SADD logo on them will also be sold soon.

Recently, the Ministry of Attorney General gave the SADD organization of Georgetown a one thousand dollar grant.

On May 3, 1989 Georgetown high school will host a half-day workshop on the problem of drinking and driving. SADD members from Acton, Milton, E.C. Drury and Bishop Reding as well as Georgetown will be involved in talks with the police and other people involved in the prevention of drinking and driving. There will be

Bake and plant garage sale

A huge garage, bake and plant sale is set for Saturday, May 13 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Church of the Living Word on Highway 24 just west of Erin.

This will be one of two spring fundraising events in the works for Campus Life in Erin.

Organizers are seeking donations of items for the sale which will also include baked goods and lots of boxed plants, say Sam Gibson, Erin Campus Life chairman.

There will be a lucky draw at 4 p.m., and a fundraising dinner is also scheduled for Tuesday, May 2 at the Erin branch of the Royal Canadian Legion at 7 p.m.

"An objective of Campus Life is to provide an after school activity program for Erin youth and help keep students off drugs and alcohol," says Mr. Gibson.

Mr. Gibson asks area residents to remember the sale when doing spring cleaning of homes and garages. For pick-up of donated items, call Sam Gibson at (519) 855-6550, Margaret Durrer at (519) 833-9101, or Penny Williams at (519) 833-2914.

an hour long chance for the students to voice their opinions and give ideas.

The Graduation Prom is the focus of SADD for a couple of planned fundraisers and alternatives to drinking. SADD will be providing a non-alcoholic punch for the

students who will not wish to be drinking anything that might impair their driving. SADD will sponsor a draw for a limousine which will chauffeur the winner to and from the dance. There may also be a photographer who will take pictures of the students and give them

the chance to buy them.

Some of the goals set by SADD here in Georgetown and also in all of Canada, are to raise public awareness about the problem of drinking and driving, and secondly to give some practical help. An example of the practical help would

be the taxi service idea.

"We're going to try to approach taxi companies in town," Mrs. O'Neil said. This would be for students who are faced with drinking and driving problems or situations but don't have enough money for a taxi.



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