



The Georgetown Kinsmen Club have held a TV auction on the first Monday in May for the past five years. The auction has raised about \$20,000 in that time. Here Kinsmen Ron Lefebvre and Jim Crichton make a presentation during the auction. (Photo submitted)

## Kinsmen TV auction has raised \$20,000 over five years

For the past five years the first Monday in May has seen the broadcast of the Kinsmen TV Auction. From 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Halton Cable TV 4 the Kinsmen and Kinettes put some 180 items up for bid in half hour segments. The items range from restaurant dinners and hotel weekends to leather briefcases, suits and a car.

The items are donated by local businesses in Halton Hills who are canvassed by Kinsmen in March and April.

Halton Cable Systems donate their studios, their expertise, their camera people and the air time for the auction.

The television hosts are members of the Georgetown Kinsmen Club, just regular guys who could be your neighbour. Other Kinsmen and Kinette volunteers answer the phones, confirm purchases and help in the production in other ways.

In the five years of the TV Auc-

tion over \$20,000 has been raised for local Kinsmen projects such as Park School Playground Equipment, Open Door, the Georgetown High School Track and to Cystic Fibrosis our national charity.



The Georgetown Kinsmen hope you will watch the sixth annual TV Auction this year on Monday, May 7th from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. and bid on some items, pick up a bargain and help support Kinsmen projects. Watch for 'I Donated To The TV Auction' signs at your favorite local businesses.

## Kinsmen and Kinettes have been getting involved since 1958

Right from formation in 1958 the Georgetown Kinsmen and Kinettes have been heavily involved not only in fund raising events to assist Cystic Fibrosis research but also in many other worthwhile projects in the community. Kin Court, the Kinsmen Parkettes and the Kinsmen Girls Softball League have proudly borne the Kin name over the years and the clubs have also assisted with funding for renovations or equipment at both arenas, new playground equipment at Park School, floodlights at Cedarvale Park, the

Fairgrounds batting cage and minor sports sponsorships. Kinsmen and Kinettes also help out each year at the Red Cross Blood Donor Clinic and each December organize the seniors' Tour of the Lights when seniors are treated to a bus tour of the town's most spectacular yuletide displays followed by a reception featuring refreshments, carol singing and a visit from St. Nick.

The Kinettes conduct a yearly Christmas Toy Drive to provide toys and food hampers to local families.

## Tour the SkyDome with Kin

Thinking of joining a service club? Why not get to know us on the Kin Skydome Tour on March 28. The Kin bus will take us to downtown Toronto for a reception at Upper Canada Breweries, followed by a guided tour of the fabulous Skydome and apres-tour festivities at a nearby restaurant. No charge for Kin guests. Call Dave Adair at 877-4669, Dean Miller at 877-3124, or talk to any Georgetown Kinsmen.

### What Kinsmen are not

## Find out for yourself just what Kinsmen don't do

The Kinsmen Club is not merely a dinner club. It is not like the Moose or the Beavers or some of those other wild animal clubs that look out only for themselves. It is not just for promoting good fellowship and sharing interests with others. It has no ducks or chickens or other barn yard animals as symbols for its projects. It may sell fertilizer, but does not spread it. It is not a secret society with a funny handshake, although singing the club song at the beginning of meetings is embarrassing sometimes.

Its members are not from one region or area of Canada to the exclusion of others. Its roots are not in the United States of America and its goals are not set or controlled in another country. However, it is not isolated in Canada because of its membership in a federation

of similar organizations - spread around the world.

The members of the Georgetown club do not like to be told that they don't excel in sports. They play baseball and hockey and they don't lose very often.

Club members don't sing 'O Canada' very well. They are not old enough to slow down and retire. They don't have enough time but they still participate in club projects and community activities. They don't avoid responsibility. They take on obligations and don't complain, although they should. They don't turn away people who show an interest in the club. If you have thought about joining a service club, find out for yourself what we don't do, and then decide.

Call Membership Chairman, Dave Adair at 877-4669 or President Jim Crichton at 877-5760.

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