

# Seniors

## Interesting and informative information

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I am sitting here writing this on May 1, 1991.

It was just a year ago, on May 3, 1990, that Bob Malcolmson came to a joint meeting of the Executive of Georgetown and District Seniors Association and of the Public Relations Committee of that organization to suggest to us that we should be responsible for a weekly column in the Herald. This morning the Public Relations Committee had a meeting at which it discussed the ongoing need to find writers for this column, and agreed that, as well as trying to report on what kind of seniors events were going on around this area, and the current work of the above Association, we should also cover subjects in which seniors are interested.

I must admit that I am not a very good chairman, for we covered all kinds of things in which seniors are interested, as well as the business of the day - and did it in a friendly conversational manner, rather than in an orderly business-like manner.

We discussed for instance the wonderful opportunities available to those who join Elder Hostel. We talked about how important it is for all people to get a long range view of how history was made in Canada, whether it has to do with the struggle of the Natives to take their rightful place in the development of this great land, or the indignities that French Canadians have had to suffer if they were to get work. We heard of how people who moved from Quebec to U.S.A. a couple of generations ago had to change their names so that they could work there. We realized that sad state of human relationships applied to other language and cultural groups in Canada as well.

Well, believe it or not, these are some of the subjects in which that small group of people were avidly interested, and they are all watching with great interest the findings of the Citizen's Forum on

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Canada's Future. They are wanting to see the interviews with Joan Scannell on her trip to Japan, and Siena VanHoelden on her experience as citizen of the year in Georgetown which are to appear on the May program of Halton Seniors TV Productions.

Get talking to a group of seniors and you are apt to get interesting and informative input on any subject under the sun!

Well, here is some information which you need to know about Georgetown and District Seniors Association. The Annual General Meeting is to be held May 29 at 7:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's United Church on Mountainview (not Holy Cross, as usual). This will bring annual reports from each of the committees and the whole organization, but, most importantly, will offer a change in the by-law which deals with the needed quorum for holding an annual meeting.

Our committee discussed the need for getting this information to everyone, especially those who have made a donation which puts them on a membership roll. With around 800 such people on the list we realized that we do not yet have the mailing or delivery process in hand to get the report to them by the 29th. However, it was decided that such a delivery process must be arranged so that members could get information and updates into their hot little hands at least once a year. Eight hundred mailings is very costly, so I expect it will be a delivery system. The Association is looking for people who wish to work on committees, or on a once a year venture. Most of you know how hard it is to keep communications going in these times, so any offers of help would be gratefully received. Any who are interested in how far toward a seniors centre this association has progressed should be present

at the Annual Meeting. If you are not a member come early enough to make a donation to the cause (small or large) so that you will have voting privileges.

Hope to see you at the Annual Meeting of Georgetown and District Seniors Association, held May 29th, 7:30 p.m. in St. Andrew's United Church.

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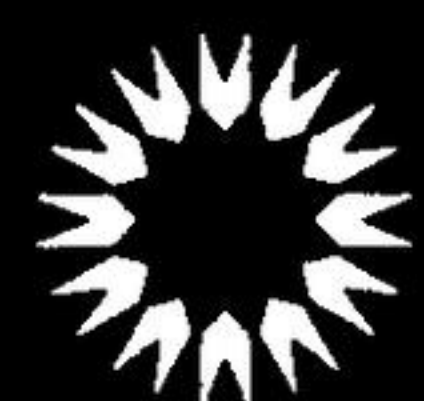
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