

**ABOVE:** Thanks to a Facebook campaign, the Kinsmen Club of Georgetown and the Georgetown Hockey Heritage Council, a tree will be planted at the Georgetown Fairgrounds later this year in honour of Jim Ford and his dedication to girls' softball in town. From left: Ron Lefebvre, Wendy Farrow-Reed and Shel Lawr present Jim Ford with a copy of the plaque that will be posted by the tree.

**BELOW:** Jim Ford (centre) is congratulated by his family at the appreciation dinner.

## **Jim Ford Appreciation Dinner**

Last summer, after more than 40 years on the job, Jim Ford stepped down as the commissioner of the Kinsmen Girls Softball League. To show their appreciation for his many years of hard work and dedication, the Kinsmen Club of Georgetown hosted a special dinner at the Gellert Centre on January 21 where league alumnae, their parents, former coaches, supporters, friends and family came out to fête the man who kept the league running for so many years. After a tasty meal from McMaster Meats, the crowd celebrated Jim Ford with slideshows, speeches, cards and memories. Thank you for everything, Mr. Ford!

Photos by Andrea Lefebvre



Emma, Sue and Kevin Mulcahy man the door.

RIGHT: Kelly Cunningham and Geraldine Hardcastle fondly remember their time in the league. BELOW RIGHT: David and Diana Guest write a special thank you message to Jim Ford. BELOW LEFT: Ramsay

Barr shares a smile with Theresa and Jim Ford.









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