

# Eagles win a wild one as Milton players ejected

The Georgetown Midget Eagles baseball team almost let one slip away last week but claimed a 5-3 win in a wild one with Milton.

The Eagles had control of this match holding a 5-1 lead into the ninth inning, before a controversial call brought the game to an end.

Milton had the bases loaded at the time and, with two runs already home, were poised to even the game up but an umpire's decision set off a dispute and when the dust settled Milton had several players ejected and didn't have enough troops to

finish the contest.

The umpire had ruled that a Milton player had missed second base and called the player out.

The two teams had played a tough defensive contest in the early going with Eagles pitcher Jamie Willett holding Milton off the score-sheet for the first four innings.

Georgetown took the lead in the top of the fourth with Dave Vanderbyl driving a double that scored Doug Sheppard. Doug had reached earlier in the inning on a fielders choice.

Milton tied the score in the bottom of the fourth but the Eagles responded and reclaimed the lead in the next inning.

It could have been a big inning for the green and white but they had to settle for a single run. Mark Lockwood singled to lead things off, but was out trying to steal second.

The next batter, Paul Ingram, tripled but was thrown out on Brett DeSouza's fielders choice. DeSouza stole second and scored on Joe Robichaud's single.

The Eagles added some insur-

ance in the seventh as Graham Kennedy scored on Ingram's sacrifice fly.

Robichaud tripled in the eighth to lead the Eagles to two more runs, leaving the bases loaded.

Then in the bottom of the ninth the fireworks began and before it was all over Milton was left with too few players to finish the contest.

Willett started on the mound for Georgetown giving way to Ingram in the fifth. Robichaud hurled the final two innings.

The Eagles came up on the short

end of an 8-7 decision to Oakville in their other recent contest.

Georgetown held a 3-2 lead in the fourth but allowed Oakville a five run inning.

Robichaud led the offensive attack with a pair of doubles and a single. Others hitting safely were Dave Vanderbyl (triple), Jim Katsilieris, Steve Onoprejenko, Graham Kennedy, Casey Whitham, Jason Ogden, Joe Stephens, and Shane Leslie (all with singles).

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## HALTON HILLS WEEKEND SPORTS

### Sports

#### SHORTS

##### Sisters compete

Georgetown sisters Deanna and Danay Guignard demonstrated their baton twirling prowess at the Canadian Baton Twirling Championships held in Newmarket last week.

Deanna, 16, competed in the senior category, and placed first in the preliminary medley, solo and two-baton events and third in the solo dance event.

In the final round she placed fourth in the two-baton competition and 12th in the freestyle event.

Danay, 14, placed third in the preliminary solo and solo dance competitions. She took fourth place in the final solo dance event.

Both girls are dedicated to their sport and take lessons from an instructor in Kitchener every Saturday.

##### Battle for first

Two teams seem to be gearing up to compete for top spot in the Georgetown Men's Slo-Pitch League.

BYOB currently hold down top spot with an eight win, two loss record for 16 points, but Curwood is close on their heels at seven and three for 14 points.

Van Ryn is still within striking distance with 11 points on five wins, four losses and one tie. Morrow has ten points with a five and four record. Radical and The Refs each have eight points in the standings. Radical is four and six in ten games while the Refs are 3-4-2 in nine. McGibbon has seven points on a 3-6-1 record while M & M holds down the final spot with six points and a 3-7-0 record.

##### Last chance

There is one last chance for Three on Three Street Hockey players to qualify for the Provincial finals.

That tourney will be held at the Canadian National Exhibition on September 5, with the winners earning a spot in the championship finals the next day.

Five Halton Hills teams have already qualified and if your team hasn't they can call the Three on Three tourney organizers at 1-800-665-6896. The first eight teams in each age group will be accepted.

##### Think hockey!

Registration dates for the Georgetown Minor Hockey Association's 1992-93 season are: Thursday, August 13 - 7 - 9 p.m., and Thursday, August 27 - 7 - 9 p.m. All registrations will be held at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena. Registration fees are \$125 for each Tyke or Novice player and \$150 for each Atom, Peewee, Bantam, Midget or Juvenile player. Players must be registered to attend GMHA Rep tryouts. Please bring birth certificate for age verification.



Georgetown baton twirlers Susan Thibodeau and Andrea Chisholm (in front) will represent Canada along with their senior elite baton twirling team-mates at the World Championships in Paris, France August 5-9. The team qualified for the Championships by capturing gold at the Canadian National Championships last week in

Newmarket. Back row (left to right) Kevan Latrace, Theresa Baumgartner, Tracy Doiron, Shantelle Acterson, Dana Jenkins, and Crissy Power. Middle Row (left to right) Gail McGrath, Alison Brown, Elizabeth Pirc, Debbie van Ryssel, Karen Hunt, and Dee Ann Sequillion.

### Locals among baton elite

## Twirlers chase world crown

By STEVE LeBLANC

Special to the Halton Hills Weekend

While once thought to be merely members of the parade scene, baton twirlers around the world are slowly, but surely, proving this is a challenging and highly competitive sport.

Georgetown residents Darlene and Tim King have been a big part of this sport's development in Canada. After two years of extensive training, their elite senior baton twirling team (comprised of members from across Canada) based in Georgetown has won the gold at the Canadian National finals.

The team is now on their way to the 14th Annual World Baton Twirling Championships in Paris France, held August 5 to 9. The 11 member team leaves Thursday, July 30 for the competition.

Georgetown teen Susan Thibodeau, 18, is a member of the squad and Georgetown's first baton twirler to ever earn the right to represent the nation at the world championships.

Susan, who has been involved in baton twirling for seven years, says winning the gold at the Canadian National Championships last week in Newmarket was the best memory she has of her sport.

Susan has recently graduated from Georgetown District High School and will be attending Humber College in the fall. She hopes to become a legal assistant.

Along with competing, she also helps Darlene King coach local children at the high school.

The couples' junior team, also comprised of Canada's top athletes including Georgetown's Andrea Chisholm, shocked Canada's baton twirling scene by capturing the bronze in the same division in Newmarket.

Having two teams in the top three has never been done by any one club in the past.

Fourteen-year-old Andrea has been twirling for 10 years. Winning the bronze medal last week was her proudest moment since becoming involved in the sport.

At least 14 countries will be represented at the world championship with Canada's toughest competition coming from Japan, Italy, and the USA.

"I think they can get into the finals and have a good chance of taking home a medal," said co-coach Darlene King.

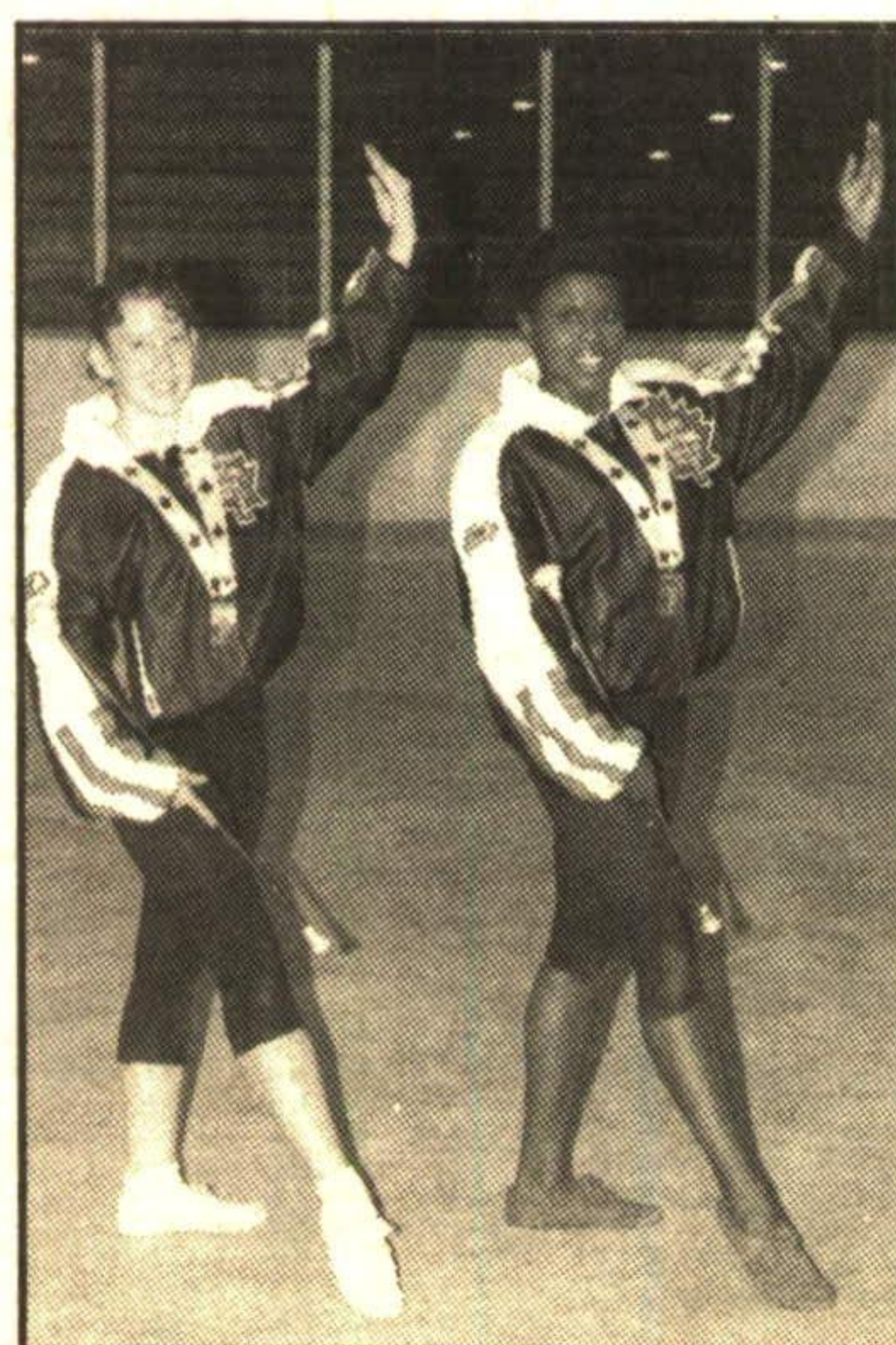
The team also has two members, Kevan Latrace of British Columbia and Alison Brown of Saskatchewan, who will compete in the individual freestyle competition. Kevan and Elizabeth Pirc of Ontario will represent Canada in the "pairs" event, a demonstration event which will become a medal event at next year's worlds in the Netherlands.

Other team members headed to Paris are: Theresa Baumgartner of Saskatchewan, Tracy Doiron of Ontario, Shantelle Acterson of Alberta, Dana Jenkins of Ontario, Crissy Power of Ontario, Gail McGrath of Ontario, Debbie van Ryssel of Manitoba, Karen Hunt of Saskatchewan, and Dee Ann Sequillion of Ontario.

Former B.C. native Darlene King and husband Tim have had a team from B.C. go to the worlds in 1986. When they settled in Georgetown in 1989, they decided to put together a team of their top athletes from across Canada. Their hopes were that they would once again send a team to the world championships.

The team, which gets together only a few times a year before major competitions, is currently training at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena.

Darlene, a former registered nurse and mother of two girls, says the level of dedication involved in competitive baton twirling is very high.



ANDREA CHISLOLM and SUSAN THIBODEAU

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## Volleyball scholarship in Georgia for Benito

By STEVE LeBLANC

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Georgetown volleyball star Mylene Benito will be packing her bags for Savannah, Georgia, in one month's time, where she has received an athletic scholarship at Armstrong State College.

Captain of Bishop Reding's senior volleyball team for three years, 19-year-old Mylene received word of her scholarship offer back in early spring.

"I was pretty excited (about the offer). The school's volleyball team is relatively new and they have a new coach this year, Carol Wilson, who hopes to upgrade the program," says Mylene. "I'm very happy to be part of the program."

She had received over 30 other offers from U.S. schools and one from Prince Edward Island.

While she had hoped to attend a Canadian university, she understands that the opportunities for talented volleyball players are much greater in the United States.

Her scholarship will cover the majority of her expenses. All she will have to take care of is the cost of residence.

Although she has not decided on a major yet, she is interested in studying architecture - particularly because Armstrong State College has a strong mathematics program.

Mylene had employed Andy Nicholson of Sports Recruits International to help market her skills and help her decide on a suitable school.

She has been involved in the sport of volleyball since grade three and is now an accomplished setter and weak side hitter.

With Mylene's help, the Bishop Reding senior girl's volleyball squad won the Halton Championship last year and has made it to the Halton finals for the last four years.

She has also played for the Georgetown team in the Ontario Volleyball Association.

She is currently employed with Mold Masters of Georgetown until the middle of August.

Despite being a little nervous about going away to school, she is also excited and says it should be a good experience for her.

Mylene isn't sure how far her skills in volleyball will take her and that she hasn't made any serious future plans just yet.

"I'll see how things go," she explains. "Right now I'm just taking things one step at a time."



MYLENE BENITO