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## Familiar faces and bands return for Georgetown Homecoming party

**By LOIS FRASER**

*Georgetown Homecoming 2013*

We have a wonderful lineup of local bands for Homecoming 2013 (July 26-28).

One of the entertainers, Neil Cotton, was my Grade 11 Science teacher at GDHS (back when he was 24 and I was 16...many moons ago). He was a great teacher. We didn't know he played hockey (or rock n roll) but we liked him!

### Neil Cotton & Hawk's Nest

Neil Cotton & Hawk's Nest is one of three great bands coming to entertain us at the Sat. night dance at the Old Arena. That means non-stop music folks!

Cotton was raised in the west end of Toronto. He took his first music lesson (lap-steel) when he was eight years old.

Cotton says "I enjoyed music but I thought I was going to be a professional hockey player, so I concentrated on sports. It wasn't until I was teaching that I started to take more of an interest in performing music. I had always envied those people who could sing and play guitar at campfires."

It didn't take him long to become one of them! Neil Cotton & Hawk's Nest plays Old and New Country and roots Rock n Roll, both covers and originals. As in Homecoming 2007, Cotton has written a song and created a video for the occasion, a tribute to Memorial Arena.

Altogether now, here's the chorus: *This song is a memorial to an Old Arena, The*

*good old Memorial Areeeena.* (You just have to be there to hear it!). The band members for Homecoming 2013 are: Joey Ace, Neil Cotton, Sean Cotton, John Cox, David Hubert, and Robert Porter.

### Double Exposure

Another well-known band is Double Exposure, featuring Janine and Bill Kent, a musical husband and wife duo, who grew up in Georgetown. They spent their younger years traveling with Up With People, a group of performers who travel the world impacting thousands through the international language of music.

Today, the Kents perform approximately 100 dates a year with Double Exposure...mostly casino, corporate and resort work. This is in addition to their full time jobs and raising their three musical teenagers. They performed at Homecoming 2007 and we can't wait to hear them again!

### The Larry Melton Band

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Double Exposure will be one of the three bands taking the stage at the upcoming Homecoming at the Memorial Arena. Band members grew up in Georgetown and have reunited to give the arena a great sendoff. Members include, from left, Peter McCormick, Bill Kent, Brent Barkhouse, Janine Kent, Dave Deere and Larry Thompson.

*Submitted photo*

introduction. Larry Melton, another Georgetown-raised musician, regularly rocks the McGibbon Hotel in Georgetown with Thom Hastings (guitar/vocals), Andrew Little (drums), Dan d'Entremont (bass guitar) and sister Diane Pepper (vocals/percussion).

The band recently played at the Hos-

pital Hoedown and they play at private parties, weddings and outdoor festivals with an energetic show every time. Hope you are ready to dance!

Homecoming registration is \$35 for the whole weekend. See [www.georgetownhomecoming2013.com](http://www.georgetownhomecoming2013.com) for event and online registration details.

## Mr. Oh! magically appears at the Library on Saturday

Tickets are now on sale for Halton Hills Public Library's magic show on Saturday, July 13.

Magician Mr. Oh! is Owen Anderson, a terrific entertainer and kids of all ages will enjoy the show 10:30 a.m. at the Georgetown branch and 2 p.m. at the Acton branch. Tickets are only \$2!

Geronimo Stilton will be at the Georgetown Library (John Elliott Theatre) on July

24— two shows and at the Acton branch on Saturday, July 27.

Music with Brian, a Juno-nominated and Parents' Choice Award-winning children's performer will be at the Library on Saturday, August 10 at 10:30 a.m. in the Georgetown branch.

For more information, visit [www.hhpl.on.ca](http://www.hhpl.on.ca) or 905-873-2681 ext. 2520 or 519-853-301.



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