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Bowling for dollars

The Mayor's Bowl for Kids Sake on Sunday raised \$7,500 for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Halton. From left, Mayor Rick Bonnette, 12-year-old "Little Sister" Chantel, and "Big Sister" Becca Donahue get in some practice throws. Chantel and Becca have been "Sisters" since December 2012.

Photo by Jon Borgstrom

Graham Goebelle named Georgetown's Citizen of the Year

Georgetown's 2012 Citizen of the Year— Graeme Goebelle—is being recognized for more than 45 years of volunteer work in the community.

Georgetown Lions Club, which has given out the Citizen of Year award annually since 1972, announced Goebelle was the recipient Monday.

Goebelle moved to Georgetown in the 1960s and established his own accounting practice in 1968. In addition to operating a successful business, GMA LLP Chartered Accountants, which was named the 1998 Halton Hills Business of the Year, Goebelle has volunteered in many different capacities.

"As an accountant Graeme has been in high demand by many volunteer organizations to help manage the finances. His willingness to volunteer is legendary and he has left his mark on many organizations," said Lions Club member Doug Penrice.

Goebelle could not be

reached for comment.

Penrice said Goebelle has served as Cancer Society President, YMCA Director, President of the Chamber of Commerce and United Way Chairman. The Georgetown Hospital has benefited from his continuous efforts for over 30 years, serving on the Board, Treasurer, Chair of the Foundation, working on the Annual Golf Tournament and Christmas Ball.

"He has willingly volunteered for the hospital in any capacity he has been asked to do," said Penrice.

Penrice said Goebelle's long-term business expertise has aided the community in many ways including serving as a director of the following: North Halton Golf Club, Sheridan College Board of Governors, Huron College Alumni Board of Directors, License Appeal Tribunal, Chair Halton Hills Hydro and Board Member of Halton Hills

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