

# ZORGE INAUGURAL WINNER OF SERVICE CLUB MEMBER OF YEAR AWARD

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There was a time when there was talk of naming Fred Zorge the Georgetown Citizen of the Year, but there was one person steadfastly opposed to the idea.

"It wouldn't have been right," Zorge said. "I'm quite happy they didn't do it."

If anyone knew the criteria, it was Zorge himself. He brought the award to Georgetown.

Zorge joined the Lions Club in 1959, and 60 years later, he's still a member. During that time he's held pretty much every post in the club - president, secretary, treasurer - but it was during his first of his two terms as district governor that Zorge visited the Oakville Lions Club while they were presenting their annual citizen of the year award. He loved the idea and immediately began planning for a similar award in Georgetown. But because he helped found the award, Zorge also knew to immediately disqualify himself. First of all, Lions Club members weren't eligible. And second, though Zorge still regularly attends the Georgetown meetings, he moved to Mississauga 28 years ago.

"People always ask me, why don't you switch clubs?" the 92-year-old says. "It's because I like it. I want to stay there. I'm very proud of the Georgetown club."

The club is also very proud of him, which is why he has been named the inaugural winner of

the Service Club Member of the Year.

"He is a great mentor to me because there are very few projects that Fred has not been involved with at the Georgetown club," said fellow Lion Al Watt. "If you had a question about Lions, he's the man."

Zorge moved to Canada in 1952 from Holland and started a contracting business with his brother Jon. They eventually moved to Georgetown to build homes for Rex Heslop, and after finishing the development began constructing churches, including St. Andrew's United on Mountainview Road.

It was a fellow contractor that suggested Zorge join the Lions Club.

"I thought, 'Why not?' " he said. "I liked the company and I got involved in a few of the projects."

Zorge would help organize the annual rodeo and the Santa Claus Parade and help out at the Georgetown Fall Fair, the races at the fairgrounds, and the Grey Club draw.

The barbecues at the fall fair were always a favourite, where they would cook roast beef in the ground.

"It was a great thing and we had a lot of fun doing it."

That pretty much summed up Zorge's involvement in the club. When Ed Hretchka was inducted into the club, Zorge told him, "We have a lot of work to be done. But don't forget, along with the work, you will have a lot of fun and good times and comradeship that you

will cherish forever."

"I am still a member of the club," Hretchka said. "I can thank Lion Fred, my friend, for that."

Zorge was always willing to lend his expertise, especially when it came to construction projects like Lions Hall, the neighbouring pool's change rooms and the walking bridge at Lions Camp Dorset, which still stands today.

Zorge admits he's slowed down a little in recent years, but the man who built many of the houses in Georgetown, also built a solid foundation for the local Lions Club.

"We have some wonderful members," Zorge said. "We have some great programs, like the



Georgetown Lions Club

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Beerfest with all the other clubs, which is a huge success, and that helps us do a lot of good things like support Food4Kids."

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