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Butcher Furniture reopens

An era almost came to an end in December when Dave Butcher decided to retire after 33 years as owner of Butcher Furniture in Hillsburgh. Mr. Butcher opened the store in 1959 servicing the communities of Hillsburgh and Erin.

With quality products at good prices in a family atmosphere, a strong customer base was formed from surrounding areas of Orangeville, and Halton Hills.

Having drawn customers from as far as Sault Ste. Marie, Collingwood and Kingston, a tradition of strong customer service was formed. Employees Elaine Little, Marvin McDougall and Dennis Watson decided this tradition could not be broken, and with their combined 46 years experience decided to purchase the business from Mr. Butcher Feb. 1.

Marvin McDougall has been with Butchers for 23 years. He first started working for Mr. Butcher part-time while he was in high school. Elaine Little has been with the company for 14 years and is a resident of Georgetown.

We may remember Ms. Little from her days as owner of Comfi Furniture on Main Street in



Dennis Watson, Elaine Little and Marvin McDougall welcome everyone to Butcher Furniture in Hillsburgh. Photo by Rod Beaumont

Georgetown beside the current Municipal Trust location.

Dennis Watson has nine years experience and is no stranger to Georgetown. Mr. Watson was an assistant manager for Canada Trust prior to moving to Butcher's.

Marvin stresses that the change in ownership means no drastic changes to Butcher Furniture. The name remains the same and they will strive to maintain the high level of customer service and satisfaction they have been known for.

The three partners are planning a Grand Reopening celebration on April 1 through 3.

Personal invitations have been sent out to past customers although Elaine Dennis and Marvin said everyone is welcome and are looking forward to renewing old acquaintances and making new ones during their Grand Reopening celebration.

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ELECTRONIC FILING
by GEORGE WAGNER, C.A.

As an authorized agent of Revenue Canada approved to electronically file (EFILE) 1992 personal income tax returns, I think the best way to explain the process is to answer the most commonly asked questions I am getting.

What is Electronic Filing (EFILE)?

Electronic Filing is an automated system in which individual income tax information is sent electronically to Revenue Canada, Taxation via communications lines. In short, EFILE is "computer to computer" communication.

What are the benefits of EFILE?

- faster refunds (less than 3 weeks)
- improved service and increased accuracy
- faster processing, including 3 hour acknowledgement to your transmitter of the receipt of your return
- reduced postage, handling and processing costs
- reduction of paper burden (environmentally friendly)

What type of returns can be filed electronically?

- Up to 95% of current year T1 individual income tax returns can be filed electronically. Returns may not involve some of the more complex tax issues such as bankruptcy, non-residents status, etc.

Will EFILE eliminate the necessity of filing a paper return?

Yes. EFILE is a "paperless" filing option. The authorized agent will provide the taxpayer with a data summary of the return. Later, should the Department require any receipt, or other document to support claims made on the electronic return, the taxpayer will be contacted.

What are the requirements for the taxpayer's signature?

The taxpayer must sign Revenue Canada, Taxation form T183, *Taxpayer Authorization and Understanding with Respect to Electronic Filing of the 1992 Individual Income Tax Return*. The form authorizes your agent to transmit electronically your return. The form is retained by the EFILE agent as well as the taxpayer.

How do I file my return electronically?

- complete your own return and have it sent electronically by using the services of an authorized agent who has been tested and approved by Revenue Canada, Taxation.
- have your return completed by a tax preparer who, as a part of their services, will electronically file for you.

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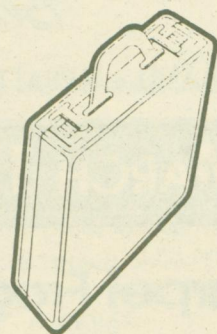
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