
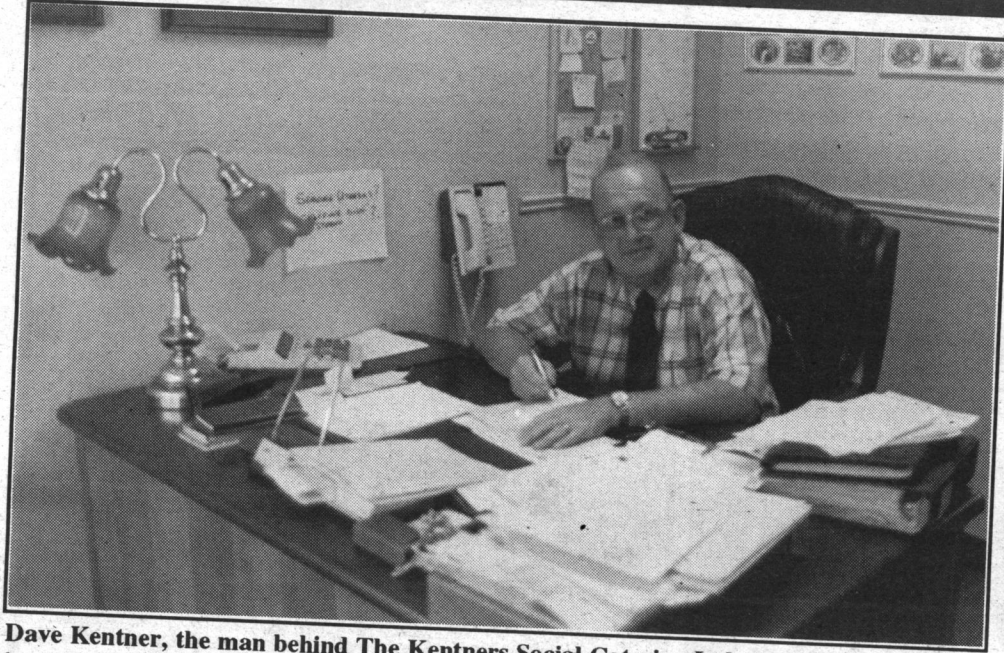


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Dave Kentner, the man behind The Kentners Social Catering Ltd., located at 62 Mill St. in Georgetown, can usually be found manning the desk early each workday morning, ensuring things run smooth.. HHTW photo

## Big-city catering with the home-town touch

By Colin Gibson

The Kentners Social Catering Ltd., located at 62 Mill St. in Georgetown, will be celebrating its 20th year of operation next May.

While surviving - and even thriving - for 20 years in the increasingly competitive catering market is a mark of excellence in its own right, the milestone just might catch some people by surprise.

The Kentners reputation for excellence - in all aspects of the catering field - is almost taken for granted in Halton Hills; so much so, that when the 20-year feat is mentioned, most people's initial reaction is along the lines of, "Really! I thought 'Kentners Catering' had been around much

longer."

All it takes is a phone call (873-0404) and quite literally, the customer's wish is the Kentners' command.

The Kentners provide a complete event planning service capable of coordinating small or large events.

Reception halls and disk jockeys will be booked. Wedding cakes made to perfection. Invitations taken care of; gift baskets and party rentals arranged, as well as flowers. Bar staff can also be provided.

Friendly professional service is combined with high quality foods at reasonable prices - leaving nothing to chance.

To reach the heights, as they say, you have to start at the bottom and on May 1, 1974, Dave Kentner and his wife Gerry, founded Kentners Social Catering Ltd.

The business was run out of their home for a little over two years, then moved to its present location on Feb. 27, 1976.

For Dave, a fourth generation Halton Hills area resident, the move to Mill St. was something of a homecoming.

The area of the Mill St. location had been owned by a Kentner family member for 80 years.

The Mill St. location also boasted a "Dairy Bar" and

when it was closed on Oct. 19, 1988 a part of Georgetown's sporting life was snuffed out.

Dave, for years an integral part of the Georgetown sports scene - mostly involved with hockey - presided over what could best be described as Georgetown's own "Hot Stove Lounge" which convened every morning as soon as he unlocked the doors.

In 1991, The Kentners Social Catering Ltd. was recognized by the Halton Hills Chamber of Commerce as the Business of The Year.

To remain successful, however, and retain customers' loyalty, any business must adapt to changing times.

The Kentners has done this on a continual basis throughout its years of operation.

Dave and Gerry's daughter Lori (Gysel) joined the business seven years ago, offering fresh input, and is now the catering manager.

Cold buffets, hot buffets, sit down dinners, sandwiches, eye-pleasing trays and a host of other delicious, tastebud-tantalizing treats can and will be prepared to perfection.

Wedding receptions, garden parties, retirement parties - to mention but a few - all fall under the expertise of the Kentners.

The Kentners have enlarged their market area which now is bounded by Hwy. 9 to the north; Hwy. 27 to the east and Hwy. 25 to the west.

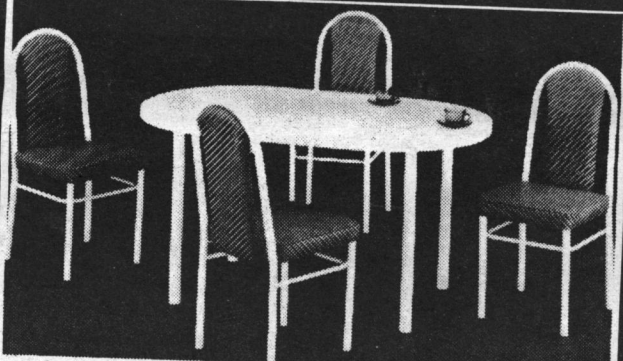
Referrals and 'catering' to the needs of their corporate accounts, often take The Kentners even farther afield.

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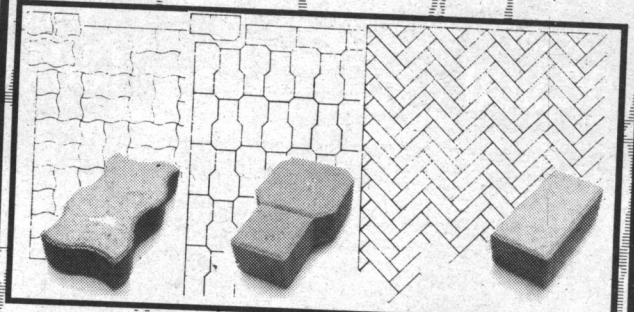
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