

# GDHS students computer upgrading fundraiser

By Eileen Ross.

Georgetown District High School will begin a fundraising project on Monday with hopes of raising enough money to finance a new computer lab with a new file server and new computers.

The new computer lab will cost approximately \$20,000 and the new file server is estimated to cost between \$8,000-\$10,000. The campaign will see GDHS students selling magazine subscriptions to raise \$60,000 - only a third of which the school actually receives.

The ultimate objective is to achieve the first computer literate graduating class. This goal has been difficult to attain because of the lack of reliable resources on hand at the school.

The computers being

used at GDHS are too old, and there just aren't enough of them to meet the needs of the students and staff of the school, says Betty Tamas who teaches computer skills.

The average life of a computer is four to five years, but most of the computers at GDHS date back to 1978.

The computers run all day from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. five days a week and the two nights a week the Adult Education Program is running, the computers don't get turned off until 10 p.m.

The fundraiser is being sponsored by Maclean Hunter and Reader's Digest and offers a wide spectrum of magazines to choose from.

Some of the many popular magazines being sold include Chatelaine, Car and Driver, The Financial Post, Time, Owl, Entertainment Weekly, Sports Illustrated, Ebony, 17, Flare and many more, providing familiar, well-liked reading material for every audience. Student incentives include various prizes, coupons from McDonalds and a bingo held everyday at GDHS. For the two weeks the fundraiser is on the bingo

is being used to raise student awareness as well as school spirit.

A bingo card is given to each student for every magazine subscription sold and students get to play for prizes. To reach their goal, each student at Georgetown District High School would be required to sell only two subscriptions.

The same fundraising format was used in 1987 at GDHS and was well-received as well as successful. The staff of GDHS is confident this time around will prove just as successful, if not more so. More information will be included in the upcoming school newsletter.

Teachers at Georgetown District High School want their students to have every possible opportunity to learn. They don't want them to be denied any advantages.



## Seniors busing to continue

By Eileen Ross.

The seniors bus service provided by the merchants of Georgetown Marketplace will be undergoing a minor change for the convenience of its passengers.

The seniors busing service will be moved to Thursday mornings, from Tuesdays, because of what was felt was a conflict over actual seniors' needs.

When the busing service first began on Oct 5., Florence Smith, of the Halton Senior's Health Council, felt the seniors' concerns had been overlooked because the proposed shopping day conflicted with activities and clubs that had already begun for the year. "They just didn't do their homework," claimed Smith.

The merchants of Georgetown Marketplace were responsible for implementing the seniors busing service with the purpose of providing free, reliable transportation to Georgetown Marketplace. Herminia Henderson, manager of Georgetown Marketplace, and also responsible for the seniors busing, said "The idea of a change of shopping day was responded to favorably by the seniors I have spoken to. Several seniors have contacted me expressing inter-

est in the service. The busing will continue Thursdays until Christmas and its future will be decided then."

Although the day of the busing has been changed, the busing schedule will remain as follows; at 10 a.m. the bus arrives at Kin Court near Hyde Park, (close to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital) then makes its way to Cote Terrace (Main and Maple) at 10:15 a.m. At 10:30 a.m. the bus will be picking up passengers at 8 Durham St. and makes its final pick-up at 11 Sergeant Rd. at 10:40 a.m.

Shopping time permitted will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., when the route will be retraced.

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