# Being a 'Fair' Ambassador

BY KERRY ALEXANDER
SPECIAL TO THE COMPASS

Interested in having fun, meeting new people, helping with community events and being a role model and representative? Well, the Fall Fair Ambassador Competition, held on Friday, September 11 at the Georgetown Fair could be perfect for you!

Each year the Georgetown Agricultural Society holds a competition of candidates male or female to find a new Ambassador for their fair. This person serves as a representative from the Georgetown Agricultural Society and Fall Fair at local community events, fair board meetings, across Ontario and at the Canadian National Exhibition. The contest is open to anyone 16 to 21 years of age who resides in the Georgetown area or goes to Georgetown High School.

In the Armoury building on the fairgrounds, competition begins at 6:00 p.m. It consists of: introduction of each candidate, one short (topics speech available), impromptu question, and an interview with a panel of judges. Fair Ambassadors not only attend exciting community events, they meet hundreds of new people, such '97Ambassador



met: HNIC's Ron KERRY ALEXANDER - Fall Fair Ambassador.

MacLean (at the local Hockey Heritage Dinner), the Ambassador of the C.N.E (at the fair's convention in February), and 200 other Ambassadors from across Ontario!

Another rewarding experience the Fair Ambassador fulfills is working with the dedicated members of the Agricultural Society. He or she attends meetings the fourth Tuesday of every month to help prepare and plan for the fun-filled weekend of the next annual Fall Fair. At these meetings the Ambassador is involved as possible in many community functions.

During the Fall Fair weekend, the Ambassador welcomes everyone to the fair, hands out prizes and ribbons, and enjoys the fun of all that is to do! The following weekends, the Ambassador represents Georgetown at other district fairs.

As the current Ambassador of the Georgetown Fall Fair, my year has been exceptionally rewarding. This program develops communication, interaction skills and boosts self-esteem! Working with the Fair board is extraordinary and meeting hundreds of new people was great! My favorite part of becoming the Fall Fair Ambassador was encouraging agricultural awareness throughout the community, promoting the fair, and most of all, educating people on my role and making this future role as rewarding as it was for me!

Don't miss this opportunity to get involved in our community! Entry forms and rules can be obtained by calling Kenda Nurse at 905-877-0537 or Pam MacGillivray at 905-877-8798.

# Behind the scenes

BY BETTYANNE WELLSTEAD
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Each year, before the Georgetown Fall Fair "officially" opens, more than 300 grade three children from the area pass through an Agricultural Awareness Tent learning about agriculture first hand and the many aspects of farming and ecology.

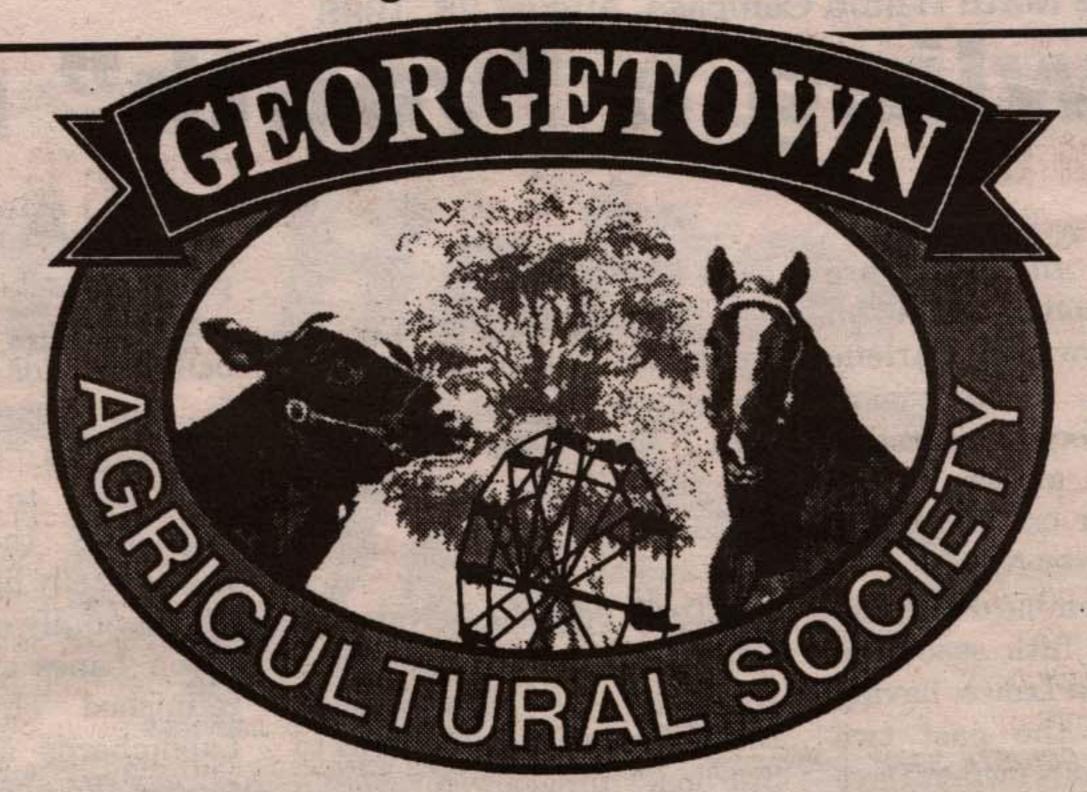
During the past five years, the Education Tent has proved very popular, winning the approval and praise of many of the teachers and parents who also attend. The local farming community supports the project, providing livestock, materials and manpower. Heading the project is the secretary-treasurer of the Society, Austin Carpenter and his wife, Mary, who are rightfully proud of the tent and its results. Throughout Friday, the students learn about bees in

a "Live Hive,"
horticulture,
ecology-showcasing
worms known as
Red Wigglers, horse
talk with local
breeders and
exposure to dairy/
beef cattle, sheep,
pigs and goats.

The Fair not only provides a full weekend of entertainment but education as well. The general public can view the displays and animals in the education awareness tent throughout the weekend.



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# Georgetown Fall Fair

September 11th, 12th & 13th, 1998 - Georgetown Fairgrounds

# WEEKEND PROGRAM

## **Highlights**

Truck and Tractor Pull

~ Friday Evening ~

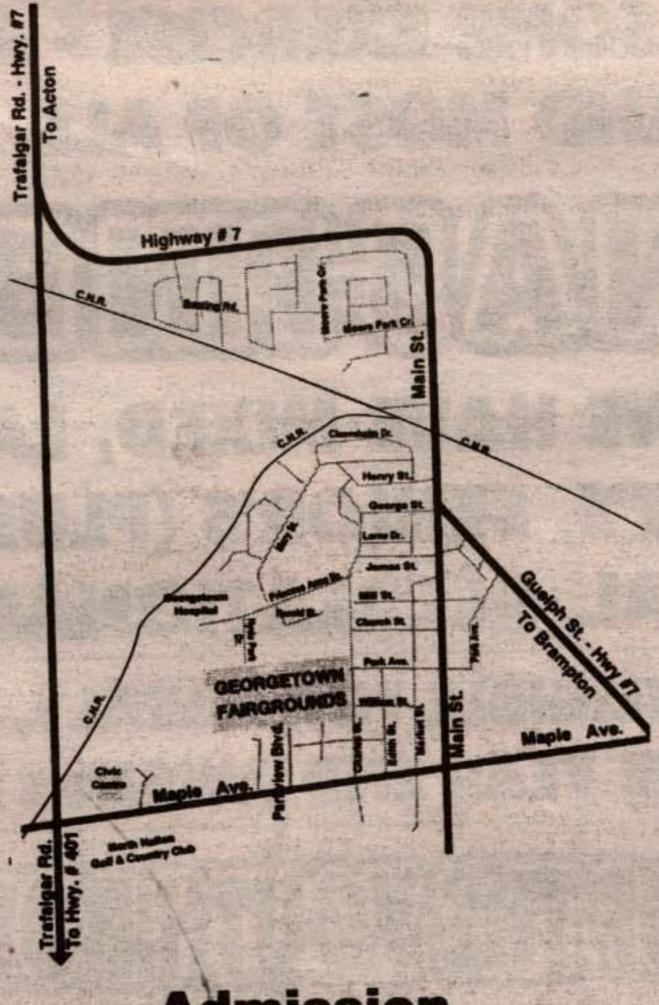


**Demolition Derby** 

~ Saturday Evening ~

Conklin Shows Midway

~ All Weekend ~



#### <u>Admission</u>

Friday Saturday Sunday

Adult - \$5.00 \$6.00 \$6.00

7 to 12 - \$3.00 \$3.00 \$3.00

(Children six and under free)

Week-end pass - \$12.00

### Friday Sept. 11

Midway Opens for the weekend 4:00 pm

1998 Fair Ambassador Competition 6:00 pm

4-H Club Achievement Horse Show 6:30 pm

> C.O.T.P.A Sanctioned Truck & Tractor Pull 7:30 pm

# Saturday Sept. 12

Hunter & Western Horseshows 4-H Achievement Rabbit Show / 4-H Tent

9 - 9:30 am

Junior Open Dairy Show

11:00 am

(sponsored by Chalmers Fuels)

American Native Artifacts Display & Demonstration

11:00 am

Stage Entertainment
All Afternoon

Demolition Derby

7:00 pm

#### Sunday Sept. 13

Heavy Horse Show 10:00 am

Light Horse & Pony Show Pet Show & Kiddy Tractor Pull

4-H Club Achievement Sheep Club Georgetown Choral Society, Pipe Band and Children's Chorus

12:00 pm

1:00 pm

Princess Karma MAGICI 2:30 pm

#### **Exhibition Hall**

Outstanding Competitions & Displays of Agricultural Produce, Flowers, Domestic Science, Crafts and School Work

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