



Setting out machine for smoothing the grain of the leather. STANLEY TURNER

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leather garments and accessories, operates outlet stores in Cookstown and St Jacob's and has an active and growing corporate promotions division. They offer both embossing and embroidery services to

"brand your image in leather". The company is the Official Supplier of Leather Products to the CPGA and has entered into a partnership with the Acton Rotary Club to develop a corporate fundraising opportunity for the club.



SALES PITCH: Beardmore Leather CEO Fred Dawkins shows the advantages of a leather windbreaker to his staff at their McDonald Blvd. offices and warehouse. Left to right are Corporate Sales and Management Ass't Janis Fread, Production Manager Jenn Legate, Administration Assistant Tanya Doyle, Office Manager colleen williamson and Lynda Martin, Director of Corporate Sales and Marketing.

The two stores and promotional material for Beardmore Leathers feature many pictures and memories of the original company. Fred and Jane value the tradition and are "proud to have ownership of the Beardmore trademark in honour of the

hundreds of Acton residents who worked very hard for this once thriving dynamic business".

Visit the website at www.beardmoreleathers.com or drop by the Head Office at 125 McDonald Blvd and pick up a Corporate Catalogue.

Kinettes want to have fun...

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service groups, its numbers have dwindled at times leaving a core of members to do most of the work, the current membership includes 11 or 12 active members, three of them, including Rudat and Heather Sampson, who are charter members.

The club has held regular teen dances, which have been very popular with kids and parents, helped with donations to needy teens at Christmas with its Operation Santa Claus program and sponsored the monthly Acton Community brunches.

Kinette clubs—the first members were wives of

Kinsmen – now includes all women older than 19 and the upper age limit of 40 has been eliminated.

Kinsmen, Kinettes and Kin (kid) clubs are this country's largest all-Canadian service group of members who work together to serve the community's greatest need by promoting service, fellowship, family values and national pride.

Rudat called out-going president Heather Sampson, who served for two years and ran for a third, a "real trooper" who worked hard for Acton and the Kinettes and will continue to do so as a member

and past-president.

"Bless her heart. She's willing to give of her time to help the club and the community and that's the kind of member we need," Rudat said, adding there's really no common characteristic to Kinettes.

"We're about fun and fellowship, but we're also about personal growth. Some (members) want to help their community and some want to work on personal skills and some want

to network for business. They all care about Acton and want to help."

Sampson said Acton's Kinette Club is "a group of friends who want to do good."

"I joined when we moved to Acton because I wanted to meet new people and get involved and it has been great."

The Kinettes' first brunch after the summer hiatus is September 29, at the Acton arena.



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