

Our Readers Write

Thanks for the support

Dear editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my friends in Georgetown who gave me and my family support throughout my long illness and subsequent liver transplant this past summer.

Although I haven't lived in Georgetown since 1970, I have a very close connection to the area. I spent my formative years here from 1959-1970 and went to three different public schools as well as Georgetown High.

In October 1993 I was diagnosed with Hepatitis C which was traced back to a blood transfusion in 1973 after a car accident. I knew nothing about the disease and neither did my doctor and so I had to educate myself on the subject. I discovered my only hope was to have a liver transplant.

After a six month assessment I was placed on a waiting list and told that I would have to wait approximately three to nine months for my operation.

Last summer the call finally came as time was quickly running out. My

wife had been told that I had six weeks of life left and amazingly my call came in the sixth week.

It has been six months now and I feel as if I have been shot out of a cannon. I have had no rejection, no related illness and I'm presently training for my first post-transplant 10 K run.

To all those who are transplant recipients or are patiently awaiting an organ, let me say that there is life afterwards. Hang in there, and keep a positive outlook on life. The mind-body connection is so important to the success of an organ transplant.

To all healthy people I ask that you place an organ donor sticker on your driver's licence. The life you save may be someone else's.

Thank you for allowing me this space to express my deepest appreciation and gratitude to everyone in Georgetown who gave us their prayers and support.

David W. Smith
Victoria, B.C.

Youth football team formed

Dear editor:

On behalf of Bob Barley, president of the Brampton Minor Football League, Steve Morrisen, volunteer coach and myself, I would like to thank *The Georgetown Independent/Acton Free Press*, especially Chris Fell for the support and excellent coverage of our attempt to expand the Brampton Minor Football League to Georgetown. The response from the Georgetown

community produced the names of 45 youngsters, 30 of whom are eligible for the 11-13 year-old team. The remainder, falling in the 14-16 year-old category, were invited to join the house league team in Brampton.

Hopefully, Georgetown will be able to form a 14-16 year-old house league team for next season, April 1997.

Nancy Artinoff
Parent

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Tanya Altenburg



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