

Lucky winner

Jonathan Butcher, left, was one of the lucky winners at the Canadian Mental Health Association's Dime Sale fundraiser. Presenting Butcher with a cast iron model of a 1928 Mercedes is volunteer Joe Luciw. Proceeds from the draws and barbecue went toward the Oasis Activity Program, which organizes camping trips, horseback riding and trips to baseball and basketball games.

Photo by HERB GARBUTT



Competition for students with a Vision

Students who know what makes Canada unique had better get their ideas ready.

The deadline, May 10, is approaching for the annual Visions Canada program. The competition is open to students from Kindergarten to O.A.C. at any Halton public or Halton catholic school.

Students wishing to enter must submit their Canada project to their teacher or school principal. Projects created at home or school in either French or English are eligible.

Thirty students from both Halton boards will be presented with distinctive coin packages. The awards ceremony will be held June 3 at the Halton Region Museum.

Projects will be assessed by a board committee based upon age and grade of the student, clarity of expression, creativity,

relevance and geographic location within Halton. Submissions require a cover page indicating the title of the project, the name and grade of the student, the student's class, school and teacher.

Past submissions have included essays, videos, computer games, photos, coloring, quilting and music and have addressed such issues as family or community histories, Canadian inventions, environmental threats, folklore, family trips, geographic landmarks and Canadian symbols.

The Visions Canada program was established by the Halton Region Museum and both Halton Boards of Education in honor of Catherine McMartin, a longtime Halton teacher and former Catholic trustee Robert O'Brien.

For more information call Karen Bongard at the museum, 875-2200.

Salute To New Business



RHONDA MISENER

Variations Cafe

Fresh made sandwiches, soup and salads are the main items on Variations Cafe's menu.

The cafe, located at 348 Guelph St. (at Delrex Blvd.), was opened about a month ago by Rhonda Misener. "We offer deli at its finest," said Misener. "Our goal is to provide the highest quality possible in generous servings. Variety and unique gourmet soups mean that local workers can dine with us daily and not get bored with selection."

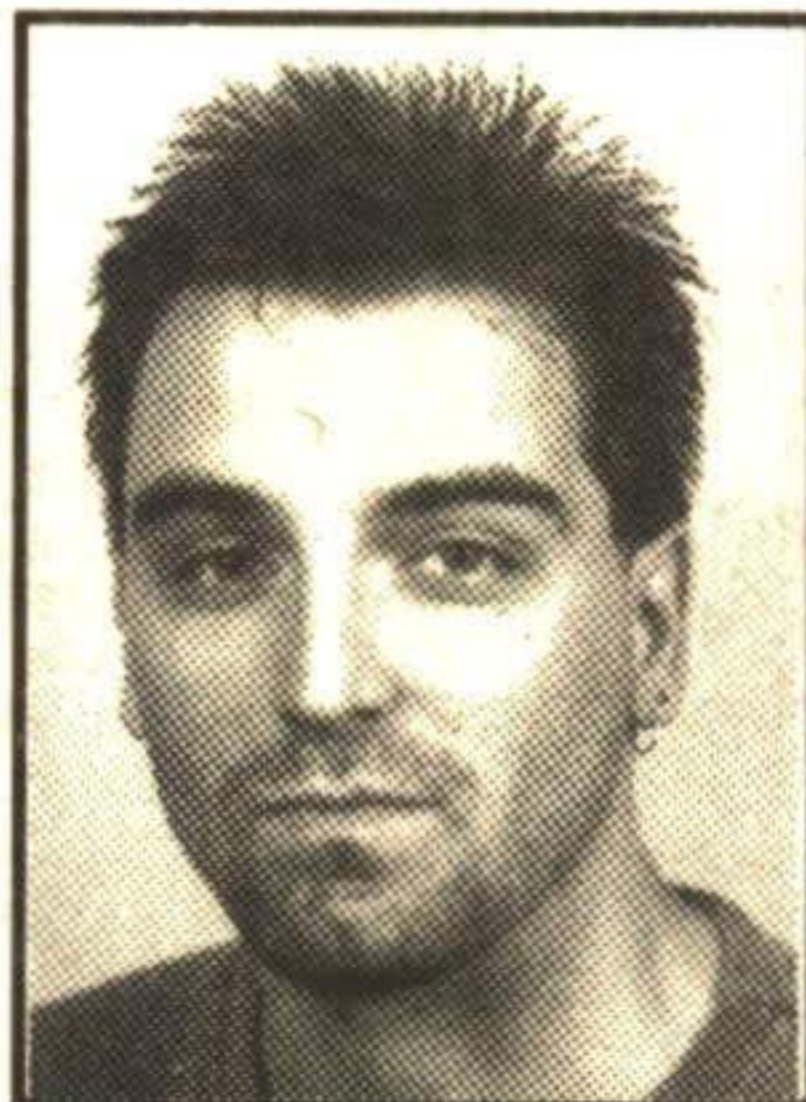
Misener's past experience in the food industry includes helping friends set-up and run several non-franchise donut shops. Her business background spans several industries including; customs brokerage, manufacturing, distribution and rehabilitation. She has also worked in management in operations, accounting, finance and human resources.

Misener says she decided to open her own cafe due to her background and her "love of gourmet coffee and appreciation of unique food products." The aspect of her work she loves the most is meeting the people who frequent the cafe. She adds with the assistance of family and a reliable staff she has been able to provide "an ideal atmosphere that is both inviting and unusual."

Variations Cafe is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch orders can be phoned in advance to 873-6391.



We offer "Deli At It's Finest" in A Casual Meeting Place
348 Guelph Street, Unit 2A
Georgetown



RAY ROBINSON

The Nerve

The Nerve, located in the lower level of Ares Family Restaurant at 232 Guelph St., features alternatively based music in an alternative atmosphere.

Ray Robinson, who opened The Nerve along with his partner Dave Motta earlier this month, said he worked at a local bar for approximately three years in order to gain experience in all areas including dee-jaying, bartending and even working as a doorman.

Robinson said he enjoys his work at the club because "I'm completely in my element, I love people and a night club atmosphere."

"We are here to entertain people in a friendly, upbeat atmosphere," said Robinson about the club. "We are predominantly alternative, however we will play any request, perhaps with the odd exception."

The Nerve features a pool room and TVs (featuring all NHL playoffs). Thursdays are all request ladies nights with prizes, give-aways, bar specials and free pool. Q107's Homegrown winner, Supergarage, was scheduled to appear at The Nerve on Saturday, April 27.

The Nerve is open from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.



THE NERVE!

232 Guelph St., Georgetown
BELOW ARES RESTAURANT



MAXINE CLARK

Our Sister's Closet

From designer clothing to bridal attire and casual wear, Our Sister's Closet in Brampton provides women with stylish clothing at affordable prices.

Sisters-in-law and close friends Maxine Clark and June Adkins opened the consignment shop seven months ago and have built a solid customer base.

Maxine, who used to frequent a consignment shop in Ottawa, decided the time was right to open the shop after she was laid off from her long-standing position at Zerox, due to the company's move to New Brunswick. "I locked June in my closet until she agreed to join me in my venture," said Maxine laughingly. "That is how we came up with the name 'Our Sister's Closet.'"

Along with the designer, bridal and casual wear the store also carries prom and evening attire, accessories, shoes, jewelry and hats. Both women are enjoying the business as they love people and the clothing industry.

The shop, at 239 Queen St. E. (Unit 16) in Brampton, below the Mandarin, is open Monday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Phone: 451-3214.



JUNE ADKINS



We are now accepting Spring & Summer clothing on consignment
239 Queen Street E. (Unit 16)
BRAMPTON
(Below Mandarin)



EVELYN MORENO

The Final Touch

The Final Touch, located at 43 Main St. South in Georgetown, features a wide variety of unique gifts.

While Evelyn Moreno has operated the business since 1994 she just opened the store in Georgetown in February.

"We are a very unique store. We offer a nice and friendly atmosphere and unusual gifts that come from the heart," said Moreno.

"I have always liked beautiful things and good quality items. We offer both in our store plus a good selection, and very good prices," she added.

Moreno says her store's staff is very knowledgeable.

"We will help you choose the right gift or decor. The variety and quality of everything in the store is superb and the prices are very affordable."

Moreno says 60 per cent of the items in her store are priced under \$30, however she also carries several large items.

Moreno says she enjoys meeting the "warm and friendly" people of Georgetown who frequent her shop and wants to provide her customers with fine products and good service.

The Final Touch is open Monday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday and Friday 10 a.m. until 7 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.



The Final Touch

43 Main Street South, Georgetown
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