

Buy ducks now for Canada Day

The Crazy Duck Race down the Credit River to raise money for the Glen Williams Town Hall renovation, Georgetown Hospital Foundation and the Rotary Club of Georgetown will be held Canada Day, July 1.

Tickets to sponsor a (toy) duck are \$5 each or \$20 for a flock of five. Tickets will be available at a booth in Georgetown Marketplace every Saturday in May and June, at all sponsors of the event, and at other locations where signs are posted.

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Optimists celebrate 25th anniversary

Three Optimists were recognized for a quarter century of service to their club which is celebrating its 25th anniversary.

The three, the only remaining charter members still active in the Georgetown club, are Al Axford (past president, life member, past Lt. Governor and past Governor of the Ontario District), Mac Crabbe (life member) and Larry Ciglen (past president and life member).

They were honored at the club's anniversary celebrations April 5 at the Optimist Hall. Each received a clock with a citation inscribed recognizing their service to the club.

The present Governor of Ontario District, Optimist Ian Carter, presented a plaque to Optimist president Steve Couchman, that recognized 25 years of community service. Similar plaques were presented by Optimist Clubs of Brampton and Erin.

The Optimist Club of Georgetown was formed in April of 1972. The first president



Optimist Governor Ian Carter (left) presents Georgetown Optimist president Steve Couchman with a plaque recognizing the club's 25 years of service to the community.

and organizer of this club was Ray Martin, a local businessman. Since its formation, the Optimist Club of Georgetown has supported its mandate of serving local youth in the community. For many years, school children in Grades 4 and 5 were involved in the CHICKEN Club, which taught children, in conjunction with the schools, about the dangers

of alcohol and drugs. Soccer, baseball, and hockey teams have been sponsored annually.

The development of public speaking skills through the sponsorship of the North Halton Oratorical Contest and the Optimist International Oratorical Contest has been an annual event.

For many years, the club organized the annual Bang-O-Rama, a fair-type activity on the Victoria Day weekend in May with fireworks as the finale. One highlight was the RCMP Musical Ride and another was the performance of internationally recognized bands.

The club operates the snack bar at the Fairgrounds and is open during the summer months, operating for tournaments, regular ball games and other events.

"The Optimist Club of Georgetown is proud of its community involvement over the last 25 years," says publicity chair Larry Ciglen, "and thanks the communities of Georgetown and Acton for their support."

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Weekly Gas Bar Specials will continue to be available to you with minimum \$20 purchase in the Georgetown Canadian Tire store. We appreciate having had the opportunity to supply you with gasoline over the past 25 years and hope we'll be able to continue serving you at one of our other Gas Bar locations.

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