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FRIDAY...

- Look for our 8-page Parenting section including a rundown on recreation programs for children.
- The Halton District School Board's deficit could hit \$950,000 this year. Find out why.

Benton named top Georgetown citizen



TED BROWN
Staff Writer

Since the day she moved to the Halton Hills area in 1956 to work as a practice teacher, Glenda Benton has been a people person, volunteering her time with a genuine concern for the well-being of those around her.

It's only fitting that 50 years later she'd be chosen as the Georgetown Citizen of the Year for 2006.

"I didn't believe (Georgetown Lion) Noel Duignan when he called to tell me I was chosen," said Benton, "It was late at night and I was totally at a loss for words—actually I thought he was joking."

Nominated by the Georgetown Agricultural Society for her numerous volunteering efforts over the years, Benton was cited for her long-time association with Limehouse Presbyterian Church, as choir leader for 44 years and then taking on the additional duties as organist for the past 22 years, as well as her work with the Women's Association in the church since she married her husband Bert in 1959.

Benton has also been a member of Georgetown Agricultural Society for more than 40 years, holding various executive positions, including president of the Home Craft Division, and also sitting on various fundraising and appreciation committees as well as remaining an active director today.

Benton is a charter member of the Halton Hills Quilters Guild, and has had a longtime association with Limehouse Women's Institute (W.I.). With her 40 years of W.I. involvement, Benton has never turned away from taking on another responsibility, sitting on every executive position in the Halton District W.I., as well as serving as secretary of the Guelph Area W.I., and presently sits as District Director for Limehouse W.I. on the Wellington-Halton District W.I.

Georgetown Citizen of the Year Glenda Benton assumes her familiar position at the organ of Limehouse Presbyterian Church where she has been the organist for 22 years, and choir director for 44. Benton was also cited for her community involvement with seniors, Limehouse Hall and Georgetown Agricultural Society.

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