

Norval plant sale

The cool weather didn't stop Tunde Otto-Harris and her sons Jeremy and Simon from purchasing plants at the Norval United Church's annual plant sale and bake sale.



Photo by Shawn McAlpine

More than a wee bit 'o fun planned for Highland Games

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Area residents will have the chance to immerse themselves in all things Scottish tomorrow (Saturday) at the 31st Annual Georgetown Highland Games.

The Games, to be held at Georgetown Fairgrounds between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., are expected to draw about 5,000 spectators.

"Our whole goal is to promote anything and everything Scottish," said Games president Ian Armstrong. "Come out for a day at a traditional Scottish community festival."

He said the popular Georgetown event is the first highland games of the season and is usually the most well-attended by pipe bands.

Opening ceremonies start at 12:30 p.m.

The Games will feature pipe bands, highland dancing and heavyweight event competitions, children's activities such as Pictish face painting, wall-climbing children's entertainer Heather Whaley and a pirate's ship.

There will also be a display of heritage animals with a Scottish heritage including Highland cattle and Clydesdale horses.

"We've got over 450 dancers competing and there are 37 massed band entries," said Armstrong.

He said this year's games will include the Grade 1 massed band competition featuring the "best of the best" pipe bands once again, after being away for approximately five years.

He said those interested in hearing the pipe bands should plan on being at the Games between 12:30 and 4 p.m.

There will also be Scottish fare and drink available at the eateries and Cheer Garden and fancy goods at the concessions.

This year's honorary chieftain will be John Tory, MPP, Leader of the Ontario Progressive Conservative Party.

Armstrong said people come from all over to attend the Games, "but the biggest draw is people who have been here before."

Admission is \$15 for adults, \$8 for seniors and students and children under 11 with a parent are admitted free.

For more information and tickets call 905-584-5440. The Games website is www.georgetownhighlandgames.com.

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The Halton Hills Candlelight Tributes is an autonomous group of concerned citizens working independently from the Town of Halton Hills. The committee has a close association with both the Royal Canadian Legions: Georgetown Branch 120 and Acton Branch 197. The Committee raises all funds for the project directly from the public and the Town of Halton Hills administers the trust account and issues charitable donation receipts to the donors. As well, all expenditures incurred are paid from the funds raised by the Committee.

Candlelight Tributes honour and recognize the sacrifices and achievements of all those who served overseas and on the home front in the cause of Peace and Freedom. These ceremonies were held on May 4th 2006 marking Victory in Europe Day (VE-Day).

Please join the Georgetown committee members of the Halton Hills Candlelight Tributes: Bob McNeilly, Barry Timleck, Glenda Black, Tom Schenk, Shell Lawr, Orval Paul, Rein Pater, Hank & Connie Van Goch, Amy Tawse and Andrea Van De Valk in thanking all of the personal and business donors; community Service Clubs and Associations and friends that gave so generously to this worthwhile community project.

The Georgetown Committee would like to acknowledge the following for their support: Volunteers, Air Cadets, Army Cadets, Veterans Affairs Canada, the 1,066 Student representing 17 schools who participated during the day, The Lorne Scots, all participants in the evening Silent Walk, RCL Branch 120 for the reception and especially "All Our Veterans" who richly deserve these Candlelight Tributes.

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