



Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Aiken

Allenford couple mark anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Aiken of Allenford were guests of honor at a dinner and reception in Allenford United Church recently in recognition of their diamond wedding anniversary. Throughout the evening about 250 guests paid tribute to the couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Aiken were married at the home of the bride's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ball of Arran Township. The ceremony took place Dec. 1, 1915.

Following their marriage, they farmed in Amabel, retiring to Allenford 20 years ago. Mrs. Aiken has been active in church and institute work. Mr. Aiken has been involved in municipal affairs in the township and village, and an ardent curler.

The couple has a daughter, Mrs. Myrel Greenaway of Hamilton and two sons Ross of Allenford and Leonard of Owen Sound. There are nine grandchildren. There are two daughters and two grandsons deceased.

Messages of congratulations were received from Premier William Davis and MPP E. C. Sargent.

Todd and Merri Lynn Aiken were in charge of the guest book. Ross Aiken was master of ceremonies for the dinner. Eldred and Gordon Aiken and Edward Ball spoke briefly.

It was noted that Mr. and Mrs. Aiken are the first couple in the Aiken clan to celebrate 60 years of married life in 175 years (1800).

Among the guests in attendance was Mrs. Cecil Coulter of Rockwood, flower girl at the wedding 60 years ago.

During the evening refreshments were served by the grandchildren.

Guests attended from Gravenhurst, Embro, Clinton, Chesley, Fergus, London, Toronto, Thamesford, Tara, Southampton, Owen Sound, Park Head, Elsinore and Rockwood.



LINDA MEWHINNEY



ALICE POWELL



Long time Southampton residents, Bill and June Weiss, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday afternoon at the Walker House. Many friends and relatives were on hand to congratulate the couple that was married on November 11, 1925, in Tara. Mrs. Weiss is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jackson, and Mr. Weiss is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Weiss. Mr. and Mrs. Weiss are the parents of three children, Gladys, Mrs. Jim Gettes, Harley and Art. They also have ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Along with the many congratulations of friends and relatives, the couple was presented with a plaque from the Ontario Government by local M.P.P. Murray Gaunt, and another from the Ontario Fire Marshal.

The Elsinore 'Pointer Sisters' 4-H Club attended the Achievement Day for 'A Touch of Stitchery' in Wiarton. The girls presented a skit 'New Ideas in Embroidery.' Those who attained their two-project award were Tammi Harron, Paula Kirkland and Velma McCulloch. They received their sterling silver spoons and Colleen Miller, Margie Connor, Carolyn Walker, Cathy Mewhinney and Susan Walker received a gift. Leaders were Mrs. Gowanlock and Mrs. Roy McCulloch. Mrs. Doug Harron, Mrs. Gerald Walker, Mrs. Don Mewhinney and Mrs. Gary Harron attended in the afternoon. The girls presented their Leaders with gifts in appreciation.

An envelope shower was held in the Elsinore Community Centre on Friday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. David White, nee Lynn Nelson. Mr. Angus McIntosh was chairman for a program of piano solos by Mrs. Wm. Legg, Carolyn Walker and Tammi Harron; Readings by Cathy Mewhinney, Mrs. Doug Harron, Carolyn Walker and Colleen Miller and Lorraine Dickinson; piano duet by Barbara and Brian Eby, violin and piano duet by Mrs. Angus McIntosh and Grace McIntosh; Highland dancing by Barbara Eby, piano, banjo and bones trio by Helen Gowanlock, Bill Legg and Norm Gill; yodelling and mouth organ and guitar selections by Bill Legg. Lynn and David were asked to come to the front and Mrs. Doug Harron read an address and Grace McIntosh and Colleen Miller read the good wishes on the envelopes. After David and Lynn expressed their appreciation and 'For they are jolly good fellows' was sung, the ladies served lunch.



GWEN HARON



Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stevens seen leaving the church after their autumn wedding. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gowanlock of R. R. 1, Allenford. The couple have taken up residence in Sudbury.