

## Surprise party

About 200 attended a surprise party held on Saturday evening, June 12th, at Tara-Arran Community Centre in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Davidson, Elgin Avenue, Tara.

Early in the evening, the family held a dinner at the Lido Restaurant, Port Elgin for their parents, who celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

The community centre hall was decorated with yellow and white streamers, with the bride's and groom's names and dates 1957-1982 adorning the wall of the room. On a small table covered in a lace cloth, was a silver double frame (book type) which held the couples wedding picture. On the opposite side was inscribed

1957-1982.

A mock wedding took place, with the party made up of neighbours. This caused much merriment amongst the gathering of relatives and friends.

Gifts included a patio table with umbrella, and chairs to match, numerous other gifts and cards of congratulations were received.

A dance followed, and to wind up the pleasant occasion, delicious lunch and refreshments were served.

Mrs. Davidson was the former Elsie Taylor of Hamilton area.

Guests were present from Toronto, Hamilton, London, Winnipeg, Alta., Meaford, Owen Sound, Port Elgin and the surrounding area.



**EXCHANGE VOWS** — Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Alvin Gibbons are shown following their marriage in Warton United Church Parsonage. Rev. P. Renner officiated. The bride is the former Marilyn Beatrice McCullough daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McCullough of Allenford. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gibbons, Hepworth. (Photo by Thornburn, Port Elgin)

# Elsinore and district news

The Elsinore Women's Institute met at the Community Centre on Wednesday evening with fellow institute members from Allenford, White School and Zion Institute as guests. Just when the ladies chose the most comfortable chairs, they had to choose a jigsaw piece with a word on which had to be fitted to form the words of a song on a paper plate. The groups sat together and knowing they would have to sing that song, concentrated on remembering words and tune. Mrs. Messam welcomed the guests and read 'Listening Ears'. The roll call was to name a favorite book - A Man called Peter, Catherine Marshall's books, the Anne books, Daniel Steel's books, 'I heard the Owl call my Name 'Papa's wife; 'How Green was my Valley' were some of the favorites but over half of the 45 ladies present read magazines not books. The cheque from the Women's Institute Park or Sauble Community Park as it is now known, was received. This is in recognition of the Financial help 5 Institute groups gave to start that park and the many hours spent painting tables etc. for many years. Mrs. Wilfong announced there will be a Yard Sale and Bake Sale at the Community Centre on July 3rd. from 10 a.m. on.

Convener reports were: Agriculture, Beef prices down by Mrs. Veda Kirkland; Family & Consumer Affairs, Aspirins made safer by Mrs. Caudle; Resolutions: Books on the Constitution and where they may be obtained by Mrs. Wilfong; Education: Music program saved at Sauguen but other courses in danger by Mrs. Smith; P.R.: Canadian dollar hit a new low by Mrs. Walker. Mrs. McRae reported for the Hospital Auxiliary and Mrs. Messam for the Sunshine. The song groups did their stint between acts. Mrs. McVittie had her trusty Kazoo and led the group and Mrs. Emily Walker played for her group but the other groups were good sports and did it 'off the cuff'. Mrs. Marilyn Phillips played the Tennessee waltz on the accordion and played and sang 'I want to go back to the Prairies' as only Marilyn can. Mrs. Beatrice Strong was in charge of the program and showed slides of the 'Gathering of the Clan'. Her guest, Mrs. Esther Strong of Southampton demonstrated baskets made from Pine Needles. Look for her booth at the Hobby and Craft Fair on July 8th as they are a work of art.

Mrs. Emily Walker played 'The Queen' and the Grace. Lunch was served by the Elsinore ladies and a social time enjoyed. Mrs. Borden Fenton, Mrs. Evelyn Wepler and Mrs. Lottie Merkel expressed the appreciation of their branches for the en-

joyable evening they had had.

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## (by Mrs. Russ Jones) GUESTS ENTERTAINED

The Hepworth Women's Institute entertained guests from both Elsinore and Mar W.I.'s on Wednesday, October 6th when approximately 30 ladies enjoyed a noon luncheon which was followed by our regular meeting. Guests were greeted by the president of the host organization, Laura Hills and she opened the meeting with a short poem "Smile."

Roll call was answered with each lady identifying herself and stating her home Branch, then telling of something for which she was thankful. There were a few individual reasons for being thankful, but the majority felt that there were just too many things to be thankful for to single out any one in particular. The secretary-treasurer, Martha Banister gave the financial report and read the minutes of the previous meeting and correspondence. Beatrice Hendry was named to assist with registration at the District Rally at Sauble Beach later this month, and Betty Szakall and Winnie Klages will be our delegates. Mary Dier, for Resolutions read that we should resolve to not let TV viewing take first place in our lives, and for Tweedsmuir History, Laura Hills read a comical poem about "The Good Old Days."

Helen Jones opened the program which she and Olive Sinclair had convened with her report for Family and Consumer Affairs which like Laura's report was rather humorous but so very true in many instances. It listed the various recollections of a mother in regards to her first, second and third child such as weight, sanitary precautions, whom each was named after, etc. Olive Sinclair gave two readings and Beatrice Hendry rendered two beautiful solos.

A contest naming baby animals was won by Helen Gowanlock and the lucky chair was occupied by Colleen Sweet, with both of these ladies coming from Elsinore. Betty Szakall played the accompaniment on the piano for the singing of the W.I. Grace, and Ode earlier in the meeting as well as for our soloist. Betty also played a musical prelude while ten ladies from our local group donned some crazy hats and accessories for a fashion show which concluded the program.

The Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison to bring a very enjoyable afternoon to a close.

## Weller-Kirkland

Margaret Leanne Kirkland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirkland, RR1 Allenford, and Rod R. Weller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Weller of Toronto spoke their marriage vows in a candlelight ceremony in the Presbyterian Church, Allenford on Nov. 7. Rev. William Joubert officiated with white chrysanthemums and pew markers forming the setting. Mrs. Gerald Walker was organist. Soloist was Mrs. Khanson Wong.

The bride chose a gown of celeste fashioned with lace yoke and sleeves, stand-up neckline, cummerbund at the waistline and flounced skirt with the frill extending around the train. Her double-silk finger-tip veil, with scalloped edge, was caught to a beaded lace cap with tiny red roses at the back. She carried a cascade of red roses, baby's breath and trailing

rosebuds in bridal ribbon. Mr. Kirkland gave his daughter in marriage.

The attendants wore mauve polyester gowns with chiffon draping on the skirts, fitted bodices with draping on the opposite side, T-straps and chiffon capelets tied at the back necklines. The gowns tied at the waistlines. They carried pink roses, white chrysanthemums and mauve freesia and wore freezia and baby's breath in their hair. Miss Paula Kirkland was maid of honor for her sister and Misses Nadine Weller, sister of the groom, and Ann Brady were bridesmaids.

Ernie Gibson was groomsman and Rob Kirkland, brother of the bride, and Bill Lisk ushered.

The reception was held at the Sauble Beach community centre. After a wedding trip to Florida, Mr. and Mrs. Weller will reside at RR 1 Hepworth.