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Over 100 People Celebrate Kelly House Restoration

The old "Kelly House" is 100 years old! A board signed by the carpenter dated 1886 and was found by the present owners Dr. and Mrs. Robert Leckey to prove this. A birthday party was planned - an open house, supper and a barn dance.

At 6:30 p.m., over one hundred neighbours relatives and members of the Kelly family gathered at the house to view the restoration that the Leckey's have accomplished over the past 25 years since they purchased the old Kelly Farm.

The open stairway, the fieldstone fireplace boasting a cozy blaze to warm the chilly evening and the tastefully decorated rooms all showed the expertise and hard work of Molly and Bud.

The Kellys and the McKagues reminisced on the old times and the devilment they got into as children. Memories came to mind of the lonely life led by Mrs. Kelly before she was enticed to leave the old homestead.

Upstairs, on display, was a true to life stitched wall hanging of the present house as well as Molly's childhood home at Cedardale, now the Shaw Rutherford Estate at R.R. No. 5, Colborne, Ontario.

A delicious smorgasborg supper was served in the barn loft at 7:30 p.m. White tablecloths and autumn centrepieces adorned each table. Bud's flag collection hung from the rafters. Baskets of greenery festooned the

walls. On the back wall was a display of old pictures of interest - some from Mt. Pleasant school days, and of the house as it was 25 years ago, sad and forlorn.

After supper, Dr. Leckey or "Bud" as we know him, went to the platform. He introduced his family - his wife, Muriel (Molly) and family of Griff, Rob, and Jane, along with Hamish the Scottie who performed for his supper. A special welcome was given to members of the Kelly family. Bud thanked his neighbours, the McKagues, Benedettis, and McCombs, joking about his naive attempts at farming and how these neighbours helped him out of his dilemmas.

The Mundells, a snappy-looking family country band consisting of three young folks and their mom and dad took the platform. The young folks tapped, stepped, played their violins and sang together. Ten year old Danny put on a dance show. They then played for squares, schottische, polkas and rounds featuring the two boys on the fiddles, and Mom singing and Dad on backup.

Marvin and Dave McComb called for the squares. Another lunch and coffee at midnight saw the neighbours leaving one of the greatest house birthday parties on record for the Mt. Pleasant Community between Castleton and Morganston. A big vote of thanks to the Leckey family from your guests.