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Children



Patty Jones

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Picture taking at Almac Holsteins, Embro, Ont., was a family affair the day this photo was taken by Patty Jones. From left: Erin MacKay holding Almac Attractive Star, and Josh McKay holding 1991 All-American spring heifer calf, Almac Star Gert. Seated: Amy and Sarah McIntosh, Blair MacKay, Julie, Chad, Kim and Cassie McIntosh. With the exception of Josh (who is also related to the McIntoshs), all of the kids are nieces and nephews of Robert & Barb McIntosh and grandchildren of Calvin & Annie McIntosh of Almac Holsteins.

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Embro man dies after collapsing in silo

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EMBRO — An Embro man is dead after he collapsed in a farm silo Thursday.

Ronald Douglas MacKay, 33, was working at the RR 5, Embro dairy and cash crop farm he and his brother Steve operated when the tragedy occurred, Const. Ray Dobbs of the Woodstock OPP said Friday.

The brothers were trying to fix something in the silo. At about 3:45 p.m. Steve left the silo and



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when he came back about fifteen minutes later he found Ronald collapsed, said Dobbs. Ronald's wife and sister joined Steve in trying cardiopulmonary resuscitation at the scene, said

investigating officer Const. Ken Aitchison.

Woodstock Ambulance and OPP were called and Ronald was

taken to Woodstock General Hospital where he was pronounced dead by coroner Dr. Barry Singleton, said Aitchison. Singleton could not be reached for comment Friday.

The cause of death is uncertain, said Steve Zonik, public relations coordinator of the Farm Safety Association in Guelph. A lack of oxygen and poisonous gases in the silo may have been the cause, said Zonik.

"Until we get a full report we don't know exactly what hap-

pened," said Zonik. He expected more details on the cause of death would be available by the end of next week.

Tony Tenwesteneind, who graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College with Ronald in 1981, called the safety board about the death. He wants an inquiry done.

"We don't want anybody else affected by this (whatever killed Ronald)," said Tenwesteneind.

A father of two, Ronald taught agriculture at the Woodstock campus of Fanshawe College. He was a member of a number of lo-

cal farming groups, including the Oxford Soil and Crop Improvement Association. He was an avid athlete, involved in volleyball, baseball and hockey.

Friends and family described him as a true friend who will be missed by the community.

Friends will be received at the R.D. Longworth Funeral Home, 134 Riddell St., Woodstock today from 7-9 p.m. and Sunday from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.

The funeral will be held Monday in Knox United Church, Embro at 1:30 p.m.