

Thompson-Swackhamer wedding in Churchill Church August 27

Churchill United Church, outside of Acton, was decorated with standards of pink gladioli, white feather mums and pom-poms for the August 27th wedding of Linda-Jean Swackhamer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swackhamer, R.R. 2, Acton, and John Frederick Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Thompson, Acton.

Reverend Dwight Engel officiated at the double ring ceremony.

Cousins of the bride, June, Kathy and Debbie Swackhamer sang The Lord's Prayer and O Perfect Love during the signing of the register, accompanied by Mrs. Ralph Denny, organist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride chose a floor length A-line gown of silk organza over taffeta with an empire bodice, softly rounded neckline and elbow length sleeves. A border of Swiss Guipure lace edged the sleeves, neckline, waistline and formed a wider border at the hemline of the skirt. A detachable chapel train flowed from the waistline and it, too, was edged with Guipure lace.

A cluster of petals and seed pearls held a shoulder length

Showers, tea for bride-to-be

Prior to her recent marriage, Miss Linda Swackhamer was guest of honor at several showers and presentations in the community.

Miss Donna Ledger held a miscellaneous shower at her home on August 2.

The employees of Co-Operators Insurance in Guelph, where the bride is employed, held a miscellaneous shower at the home of Miss Patricia Dooley on August 4.

Cousins of the bride, Mrs. Nancy Leithead and Miss Janet Aitken held a kitchen shower at Mrs. Leithead's home on August 18 for relatives of the bride.

Mrs. Olga Thompson, Mrs. Edith Elliott held a linen and china shower at Mrs. Olga Thompson's home on August 23.

The office staff of Co-Operators Insurance, presented a gift on August 25.

Churchill United Church presented her with a family Bible in appreciation of her work as a teacher in the Sunday School.

The bride's mother held a trousseau tea on Sunday, August 21, for friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Robson, Hornby, held a dinner for the wedding party at their home on Friday evening, August 26, following the wedding rehearsal. Thirty guests attended.

Planning full-scale promotion during Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week, October 9 to 15, won't go unnoticed in Halton County this year, members of the Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau are sure.

Between now and October 15, the firefighters from four Halton fire departments who form the county bureau will be busy planning and promoting fire prevention programs, designed to acquaint the public about the bureau's work and stress the need for fire safety in the home, office or factory.

"Fire prevention is a year round chore for any firefighter, but we like to plan a full-scale promotion each October during national Fire Prevention Week," bureau chairman Harold Coulson of Milton explains. October 9 is the anniversary date of the great Chicago fire that took so many lives.

The bureau's 1966 program includes an industrial and commercial building inspection blitz, open hours at fire halls, a poster contest for school children, a church parade for the firefighters, distribution of thousands of pieces of literature, and special film showings for service clubs and other organizations.

The annual poster contest invites entries from grade 5 students, and the top boy and top girl in the Halton-wide contest will each be awarded a trophy. Theme of the contest is "Fire Prevention in the Home". The awards will be presented at a banquet in November and the two winning posters will also be placed in an Ontario-wide competition.

About 75 firefighters from the Milton, Acton, Georgetown and Oakville Fire Departments will be meeting in Oakville during October for the bureau's annual church parade. Member departments in the four towns will be staging open house at their fire halls, touring schools and institutions to conduct fire drills, and distributing literature throughout the county.

Teams of firefighters and insurance company inspectors will be blitzing Georgetown and Acton stores and offices on Wednesday, October 12 in the bureau's annual fire hazard inspection program. Insurance firms

in the two municipalities are arranging to have inspectors from their local head offices go with local firefighters to check the properties for hazards.

"The more people we can alert to the dangers of fire, the less fires we have to fight," says bureau chairman Coulson. "Our program is designed to get people in all walks of life, in all age groups, thinking about fire prevention."

The symbol of the Red Cross is the reverse of the Swiss flag. It honors its Swiss founder, Henri Dunant.

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MR. AND MRS. Fred Thompson were married in Churchill church. The bride is the former Linda Swackhamer.

Grand Jury finds jail in disrepair

Six men and one woman, under foreman R. H. Elliot, performed their semi-annual duties as Grand Jury last week when they turned in their report on Halton County's public buildings to Mr. Justice Donnelly.

They reported that the elderly Halton County Jail is still in bad disrepair, but noted that a new two-county building is in the planning stage.

Insufficient office space at the Halton County Child Welfare Agency was reported, and the jury recommended that additional and proper facilities should be made available at the earliest convenience.

Other public buildings received good markings.

Twelve cases appear on the Supreme Court docket this sitting. These include one rape, two criminal negligence, seven divorce one libel, and one civil (non-jury) involving two municipalities.

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