

Mr. Mrs. Geo. Stephens mark 50th anniversary

On Saturday evening, May 13, Mr. and Mrs. George Stephens, R.R. 2, Acton, parents of Mrs. Tony Damm, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

The couple club to which they have belonged for 33 years gathered at their home for a social evening and presented them with a lovely lamp.

They also received a gold clock from the community and Churchill United church congregation.

On Sunday, Mother's Day, the family, Mrs. Mary Stephens, daughter-in-law and children, John and Joan of Weston;

their granddaughter Karen and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. William McEachern, met at the home of their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Damm and their daughter, Linda for a family dinner.

Sunday evening many from the community called on them.

Visitors on this happy occasion were Mr. Bert Stephens, brother of Mr. George Stephens, from Sutton and other visitors from Weston, Long Branch, Terra Cotta, Beloitain, Brampton, Hockey Valley and Acton.



MR. AND MRS. George Stephens celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday at their home on the fourth line. The couple received many messages of congratulations on the event. (Staff Photo)

Liquid embroidery shown at Greenock W.I. meeting

Most attractive wall hangings, gaily decorated bedroom accessories, scarves, children's T-shirts with animal decorations, and many other examples with colorings to delight the eye, were displayed at the May meeting of Greenock W.I. Mrs. Doris Scoyne demonstrated the art of liquid embroidery and each person present had opportunity to try her skill with this colorful handwork.

Profits from sales made will be added to institute funds, and everyone enjoyed examining the newly printed examples done by Mrs. Scoyne.

Mrs. T. Hemsley was hostess for the afternoon meeting and Mrs. G. Leslie presided for the opening exercises and the business. Psalm 103 was read by Mrs. Basil Johnston and the Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison.

Following the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and the financial report, a paper collection was discussed and members are requested to have their papers, rugs and metal ready for Saturday, May 20.

The picnic tables will be available next week and will be placed beside the Greenock bell cairn in time for the unveiling of the cairn as one of the centennial projects.

It was decided not to participate in any short courses or forums this year. Several members offered their homes for meetings for the coming year. The program for this year will be ready to take to the District Annual, and it is hoped that all the branches in the Centre Wellington district may have all their programs included in one booklet for centennial year.

Delegates to the district annual meeting in Hillsburgh on May 23 will be Miss E. Pearson, Mrs. G. Leslie, Mrs. L. Tryneman, and it is hoped that several other ladies will also be able to attend. Mrs. A. Gates will be preparing baking for the contest at this meeting.

The meeting closed by singing God Save the Queen. Mrs. E. Johnston and Mrs. G. Leslie assisted the hostess in serving tea and fruit bread with cheese. A social half hour was enjoyed.

Mrs. J. Thompson, on behalf of those present, expressed appreciation to the hostess, Mrs. Scoyne, for her interesting contribution to the meeting, and to the lunch committee.

String orchestra Guelph program

The Guelph Academy of String Art Orchestra under the direction of Mrs. Jennie Lamb, will be heard on Saturday, May 20 at 8:00 p.m. at War Memorial Hall, University of Guelph.

This orchestra is composed of boys and girls who are studying violin and viola with Mrs. Lamb, and is supplemented by former students who have continued their studies of music at a higher level.

Concert Mistress this year is Joanne Young, 17, a student of Mrs. Lamb for a number of years and recipient of many violin awards.

Joanne's brother, Dennis, a former student of Mrs. Lamb, will also be a soloist. Dennis is a student at the College of Music, University of Western Ontario, London, where he is studying for his Bachelor of Music Degree. Dennis has been a member of the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra, the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony and the London Symphony. He is principal violinist with the University orchestra.

For three summers he was a member of the National Youth Orchestra of Canada, and past year made a tour of Europe with them.

Paul Puford, another award-winning soloist, is studying cello in Winnipeg with Dr. Peggie Sampson, where he attends High School. This summer he will be a member of the National Youth Orchestra of Canada. He is a former member of the Kitchener-Waterloo Symphony Orchestra and at present is principal cellist with the Winnipeg High Schools' Orchestra, made up of members of all the Winnipeg high schools.

The orchestra is playing a number of classical selections, and one Canadian number in honor of Centennial year—the Little Suite of Canadian Folk Songs by Harry Somers.

CHURCHILL

Mother's Day service, U.C.W. Georgetown accident reported

By Mrs. Fred MacArthur

The May meeting of Churchill U.C.W. was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swackhamer on Wednesday evening, May 3, with a fair attendance. The president, Mrs. W. Thompson opened the meeting and all joined in the Lord's Prayer in unison.

Mrs. D. R. McLaren of Georgetown was guest speaker of the conference she attended in Sudbury. Mrs. Annie Saunders gave the devotions and the hymn, "He Leadeth Me" was sung.

Mrs. Frank Thompson read a chapter of the study book and dealt with the questions and answers. Roll call was answered with a fancy apron for the bazaar.

The house cleaning day was set for Tuesday, June 6, and some other business was dealt with. Mrs. McLaren closed the meeting with prayer. The hostess, Mrs. Swackhamer, Mrs. H. Griffin and Mrs. A. Winter served a delicious lunch.

Mrs. W. Waidle, Mrs. W. J. McDonald and Mrs. Edith Barnes of Ballinfad attended a dinner and meeting of Trained Practical Nurses on Thursday, May 11, in Carlton Anglican Church, Toronto. The guest speaker was Dr. R. Lucas, a psychiatrist with the Don Wood Foundation for the treatment of alcoholic and drug addiction.

Sympathy of the community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Swackhamer on the death of her mother, Mrs. Peter Thiessen of Guelph. Mr. A. W. Freeman of Stroud

is visiting his nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeman for a few days.

Churchill Church friends wish to express their sympathy to Mrs. Annie Burns and Mr. and Mrs. David Williamson, Silvercreek, in the death of Mrs. Burns' sister, Mrs. Harvey Aldwell in Oakville, and Mrs. Williamson's aunt. The funeral service was at Russell Funeral Home and interment at Spring Creek cemetery, Clarkson.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner, David and Julian, visited with Dr. R. J. Julian and Mrs. Julian and family in Brighton on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Julian of Milton and all other members of the Julian family were present on this Mother's Day occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Milson and family of Guelph and Mrs. Louis Hiltz and family of Rockwood were Mother's Day visitors with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Winters.

A large number attended church on Sunday morning when the Sunday school children joined in the service. Mr. Mays' sermon dealt with Mother's Day and Joyce Denny, Beverly Leitch and Elizabeth and Erica Strokov took part in the service. The junior choir sang Hymn 394 to the tune of The Lord is My Shepherd.

Churchill friends wish to extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Connelly and family of Georgetown in the sudden bereavement when their son was killed on Saturday morning. Mrs. Connelly (nee Anna Graff) spent her girlhood days in this locality and is a sister of Mrs. Frank Freeman and Mrs. Tho-

150 singers in massed choir for centennial church service

A massed choir of 150 voices will sing at the centennial church service the Sunday after the fair. Choir leaders or their representatives met Tuesday evening in the music centre to discuss plans with Dr. George Elliott, who was named to organize the special service.

All churches in Acton, the Legion Choralists and students from the public schools will provide singers for the huge choir.

Representatives were present at the meeting from the Anglican, Roman Catholic, Baptist, United, and Presbyterian churches, with Glenn Banks, music supervisor, speaking for the schools. The Christian Reformed and Pentecostal churches, while not represented, have agreed their singers will participate.

The Choralists, who were also practicing that evening, promised the support of their powerful, well-trained voices. They will probably be seated together in the centre, and they are expected to sing Herman Freuler's Hymn to Canada during the service.

The anthems will be accompanied by Acton Citizens' Band. An anthem composed especially for centennial year by Keith Blaisell, "Canada Dear Home", will be sung by the choir.

The second anthem will be "How Amiable are Thy Dwellings" composed by the late Ralph Vaughan Williams, one of England's greatest composers. The choral music has

been distributed. However, band director George Elliott learned that the work was composed originally in 1934 for a pageant — with band accompaniment. He wrote to England asking for a copy of the band scores, and has finally learned that the only copy is in the hands of the composer's widow. She has

Mrs. Robt. Algie hostess to W.M.S.

"The Church Today and Tomorrow" was the theme of the May meeting of the Afternoon Auxiliary W.M.S. of Knox Church when the members met at the home of Mrs. F. Anderson presiding.

Mrs. E. Miller and Mrs. R. M. MacDonald led in the service of worship and Mrs. O. Moran and Mrs. Algie contributed music.

Mrs. MacArthur was in charge of the study topic, which was taken in the form of open discussion, the members suggesting ways in which, as a group or as individual members, they could best meet the needs of the people in the community. With Mother's Day in mind, each responded to the roll call by giving the maiden name of her mother and her grandmother.

A pleasant period of fellowship followed, while the committee in charge served refreshments.

agreed to send the band arrangement to Acton for the centennial service here.

All the choirs will begin working on the anthems and they'll decide later on mass practices.

Any unaffiliated singers will be welcome too. Mr. Elliott points out. Anyone who would like to be included in the massed choir could contact him at 853-0365 or his or her own choir leader.

Mr. Elliott feels the arena requires a large number of voices for effect.

The hymns to be sung that day are not chosen yet, nor is the time of the service. A speaker is being contacted.

Youth project for centennial

Alan Orr of R.R. 1, Hillsburgh, was selected by a provincial selection committee to represent the Rural Learning Association Centennial Youth Project in July, 1967. Twelve were chosen altogether from Ontario.

The project includes four days at Expo, four days in seminar at Macdonald College, Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Quebec and the opportunity to entertain a young Albertan on their home farm from August 1 to 8.

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"One night" guests More centennial planning urged at Y's Men meeting

Revitalizing interest in groups' centennial plans, the Y's Men's club hosted its annual civic night in the Y-Thursday of last week.

Representatives present were Ted Hansen of the high school, Dave Hunter of the Lions club, Rev. A. H. McKenzie of the Ministerial Association, Orval Chapman of the public school board, Brendan Aherne of the parks and recreation committee, John Stradbolt of the Chamber of Commerce, Reeve Bert Hinton and Mayor Les Dudy from council, Wilmer Fryer from the fair board and John Goy of the parks and recreation committee.

Introduced by Gary Bateman, chairman for the inquiring program was John Goy. Purpose of the meeting was to discuss what is being done for Acton's centennial year.

After the new library, the main event for centennial is the expanded four day fair, and the fair board's centennial ball on June 16.

The Chamber of Commerce expects to contribute a sportsmen's show to the fair, possibly on the Nelles property across the lake. They're also planning a buffalo barbecue. The Lions will have a beef

barbecue on the Friday evening.

A band concert and mass church service are anticipated.

Speaking for the centennial committee set up by council, Mr. Aherne pointed out the committee had no power or funds but was to co-ordinate activities. 18 groups were contacted but at first only the Guides made a positive response.

It was the general feeling the centennial committee should be given more power. Commented the mayor, "There's still time. Tonight we can light the fuse."

Mr. Bateman indicated he would be willing to assist a new centennial committee from the Y's Men. Council must confirm the decision of the meeting.

The triple trio from the Robert Little School sang their music festival competition songs and there was a lively fines period.

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