

Swackhamer-Wheeler wedding in Mimosa church February 22

Yellow and White gladioli and lighted tapers in candelabra formed the setting for a pretty winter wedding in Mimosa United Church on Saturday, February 22.

Rev. F. Clappison officiated at the late afternoon double-ring ceremony when Marian Louise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray B. Wheeler, R. R. 1, Orton and Ronald Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Christopher Swackhamer, Acton, were united in marriage.

The bride wore a green de balla velvet, with bodice and short sleeves of "grand seigneur" (silk and wool) in a blending shade of green. Her empire waist lines were accented with white daisy appliques centered with green matching the bodice.

Individually placed daisies were used in their hair arrangements. They wore pearl necklaces, gift of the bride, and carried cascade bouquets of shasta, mum and yellow carnations.

Miss Laurie McFarlane, small cousin of the bride, was flower girl. She wore a full skirted long sleeved, floor length gown of green velvet, gathered at the high waist line, accented with daisies.

Her pearl necklace was a gift of the bride and she carried a smaller version of the cascade bouquet of shasta, mums and yellow carnations.

Master Bradley MacFarlane was ring bearer wearing a tuxedo, identical to those worn by the elder members of the wedding party.

By Wendy Thomson
The country is a delightful place to live if you have the time and the inclination to sit and sniff and watch and listen, now and then. In our watching, we've seen all kinds of animals from moles to foxes, and I was ecstatic the day I spotted a doe with twin fawns in the cedars. There are constant farm sounds from all around us, with an overlay of various songbirds' calls. The two sounds that always make me pause are the evening song of the Veery and the rush of the wind through the pines by the road.

Right now, there isn't too much of interest waiting around on the breeze, but soon that marvelous smell of spring will come seeping into the house and I know I'll drop everything and go roaming through the fields trying to breathe my fill of that indescribable scent.

Visitors from the towns and cities find this country air a most heady thing, and stand for ages, huffing and puffing and complimenting us on choosing to live out here. Invariably, they remark on how much city children miss, being cooped up there all the time.

Now that started me thinking of all the things I delighted in while growing up in Toronto. Beth and Jim climb our willow trees here, but we climbed up the back of the hillboards on Yonge Street, swinging around like amateur Tarzans. And there was the bonus of seeing the startled faces on the street below when we looked over the top. It's the city people's sense of jealousy-guarded privacy that builds the eight-foot tall board fences that were so much fun to walk along, fighting that delicious fear of heights. And nowhere around here could I have flown down the street as we did the Farnham Ave. hill, listening to the roller-skates ticking over the cracks in the pavement, then booming caught up in the rhythm of skating on the flat stretch.

The Lake Simcoe Ice and Fuel truck was always an event, the men showing the great chunks of ice around, looking up at the windows to see which way the card was propped in the window to specify pounds. As soon as they left the truck, we were right there, scrambling for the ice chips to suck on in spite of our mothers' dire warnings of a slinky green stomach.

And nowhere here is there a wall tall enough for Beth to play "Ordinary-movings" and throw the ball high enough to get all the way through "front and back - front and back". There were city smells that were as nice to me as our hay-loft must be to our three. There was the smell from the tar that bubbled out of the cracks in the road on hot days that you could pick out and mess around with. Going down Avenue Road, everyone must have felt the warm bread smell settle over them from the bread company, and felt a great longing once they got out of range. The one thing I miss year after year is the smell of dead leaves in the fall, and the rush and rustle of kicking through them, and the clouds of smoke from the burning piles, and the hot shoes

from running through the smouldering ashes.

There were sounds equally dear—the clop of the horses hooves and the rumble of the wooden wheels as the breadman and the milkman went by; the thin keening of the popcorn cart that always appeared at recess; the soft sounds from the pigeons up under the eaves; the drones and pauses of the skywriters while we all stood to watch the white letters forming against the blue, trying to be the first to spot what the words would be.

One sound that would always send me flying home was the drawn-out drone of "Rags and bones, r-a-s-a-gs and b-o-o-n-e-s." I always felt better at a distance, watching the old horse-drawn cart piled high with pans and paper and junk.

But my favorite, then as now, is the chirrup of the robin, promising in the nicest way possible, that the rain would end soon.

I tried to think what my mother baked then, that was a favorite and I guess it would be the Apple Crisp that I've written out before. Following close behind was Lemon Pudding, a very light, tangy sort of a thing. The cookie we had most often was Jumbles, with walnuts on top most of the year but almonds and cherries at Christmas.

LEMON PUDDING

Beat the yolks of two eggs, 1 cup white sugar and 2 full Tbsp. flour. Add rind and juice of 1 large lemon. Mix well, then add 1 cup milk. Beat 2 egg whites till stiff. Fold into sugar mixture. Add 1 Tbsp. melted butter. Pour into baking dish, set in pan of hot water and bake for one hour at 325 degrees.

This turns out spongy on top and saucy on the bottom.

JUMBLES

Beat 3/4 cup shortening (part butter or margarine) and 1 cup sugar. Add 2 beaten eggs, then 2 cups flour, 2/3 tsp. salt, 2 tsp. baking powder all sifted together. Mix well, drop by tsp. on a greased cookie sheet. Top with a nut or cherry or whatever is in the cupboard and bake at 350 degrees for 10 to 15 minutes.

Exchange

Next Sunday is the second of three exchanges with North Halton Anglican clergy. The Rev. H. Dawson will exchange pulpits with Rev. Canon J. Maxwell, rector of Stewarttown and Hornby, this Sunday.

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Auxiliary dance is huge success
L'Arche Auxiliary dance Friday evening, March 7, was a huge success, bringing in \$212.31.

Spot dance prizes were chip and dip sets for the ladies, and poodles for the men, purchased from the A.R.C. workshop. Winners were Mr. and Mrs. E. Beaman, Mrs. Doreen McIntyre and C. Timbers.

Winners of the door prize, Holiday Magic cosmetics donated by Mr. Trotter, were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Drinkwater.

Appreciation was extended by the Auxiliary members to those who donated their services.

Mrs. MacPherson hostess Afternoon Auxiliary W.M.S.

At the home of Mrs. A. M. MacPherson, the Afternoon Auxiliary, of Knox Church W.M.S. held its March meeting under the leadership of Miss Isabel Anderson. She read an opening poem, welcomed back several who had been absent for some time and asked Mrs. A. H. McKenzie to take the worship service after the singing of the Psalm, All People that on Earth do Dwell.

Mrs. Miller and Mrs. R. L. Davidson read the scripture from Romans 14 and Mrs. Davidson included in her prayer a prayer taken from a 1969 meeting which was so appropriate for the world today.

Mrs. McKenzie continued the study for the year: New Forms of Mission. Members were asked to seriously consider new ways and to try to get into action.

They heard a record of what Canadian lay men were doing in other countries and one from the Teen and Twenty Chapel in Toronto.

After the singing of hymn 483 I am Thine oh Lord and the reciting of the Lord's Prayer the meeting closed.

A cup of tea was enjoyed by all.

J. Graham gave a few highlights of the Presbyterial meeting held in Brampton and told that the Synodical was to be held there beginning April 23. She also invited the auxiliary to the Georgetown Thankoffering on Sunday evening April 13, at 7.30 p.m. and stressed the fact that the men were invited.

Miss Anderson read a report also. This told of the work of each group and the allocation for 1969.

A plan was made for the April Thankoffering to be held in the church when Mrs. Murray of Caledon East is to be the guest speaker.

Miss Clark read a letter from Miss Margaret Kennedy. All were glad to hear this and know Miss Kennedy was fully recovered from a serious illness.

Reports were read and received.

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