

Delicatessen long-awaited venture couple return here to open shop

Soup to nuts... and all kinds of mouth-watering goodies in between.

That's what you find in the counters and shelves of Acton Delicatessen, a shop which is the culmination of a long-time dream for its owners.

Ingrid and Edgar Bendicks have thought for years of having a store like this, newly-opened on Mill St. near the main corner.

Customers thrilled
Now they are delighted to find that European Actonians are thrilled to find some of their favorite treats here in town, and long-time Actonians are enjoying trying new foods.

Ingrid Bendicks is in the shop every day, assisted by Mrs. Dodie McGilloway. Mrs. Bendicks makes her own salads every day, and has been "sold right out" several times already.

Mr. and Mrs. Bendicks lived in Acton before and then moved to Milton. They have returned to 119 Elizabeth Dr. with their two children, Sharon who is in grade 2 at the Robert Little school, and Sandra, who is just three. Their grandmother, Mrs. Martha Bendicks, arrived from Germany to stay with them for a while on the very day the new delicatessen opened.

The store is closed Mondays, but open Thursday and Friday evenings.

You get a gastronomic world tour looking through the shelves in the delicatessen.

Cheese come from France, Denmark, Holland, Germany and Switzerland.



NEW DELICATESSEN owner Mrs. Ingrid Bendicks (right) holds a heavy beef salami and her assistant Mrs. Dodie McGilloway (left) holds a scrumptious Black Forest cake - chocolate covered with whipped cream and cherries. The shop is the latest addition to Acton's downtown area. —(Staff photo)

How about reindeer meat balls? Chestnut puree? Sharks fin soup or turtle soup? Hungarian honey? Camomile flowers? Caviar?

As well as the exotic, there are hearty soups, soup mixes, salad dressings, fresh buns and butter, candy, cookies, crackers and noodles.

In the meat counter are ready-to-slice salamis, tongue, meat loaf, blood pudding, liver paste loaf, etc.

Special cakes come delivered fresh. The school children are dropping in for doughnuts, big "butterfly" pastries or a single piece of cake.

Wine kits for the do-it-yourself

type are selling already.

Will cater
Mrs. Bendicks will make up party platters of meats and cheeses, and provide salads or sandwiches for parties, she explains.

Snacks may be bought and eaten at small tables at the back of the shop, European style.

A letter from Eden Mills

By V. K. Barrow

Eden Mills, Ont.
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Dear May:

I have had a week-end to myself after all the comings and goings. Time to do a bit of weeding and talk to my neighbours.

The Turners seem to have quite settled in and are carrying on in the old tradition of service to the community. John has changed things around a bit in the store and added some new items to the stock. And the result of the clearing out between our lots is that I can now look right up to the crest of the hill and see a stately row of those tall spruce on the skyline.

Betty Marshall's cat likes to sun herself on those old foundation walls. I can see her now sitting on the lower one with her head forward and ears pricked gazing down at the base. Although she always seems fascinated by whatever she sees moving there she never bothers to pounce.

No more does she bother with me! She's curious about the house — got as far as the porch one day, but Ann came out and she bolted — but she will never speak. Although she 'owns' me there has only been one occasion when she has not ignored me completely.

One day, just as I had arrived home, a rather skinny black cat started up the steps from the road. The Marshalls' cat sprang into action and at a distance of about six feet out-stared the intruder. Afterwards she actually came and rolled rather proudly at my feet — but would accept no congratulatory pat!

All of which reminds me that I never told you about the kitten I found myself unable to refuse two short weeks after I moved in here. My friends said 'They're no trouble at all, Val and rush to meet you when you get home'.

I picked it up on the August holiday so that we would have a chance to get to know each other. And it really was a dear little thing — grey. I called it Guy — for Guy's Cliffe, Warwick.

Well, we got on fine and on Tuesday when I got home it sure rushed to meet me — or so I fondly thought. Actually, it shot out of the house as soon as I'd opened the door a crack and was gone for several hours.

The next night we had a battle of wills because of the fringe on the throw I put over the couch in summer. Certainly we finished the evening on the same couch — but at opposite ends, me trying to read despite the hate being beamed at me from the rigid little cat at the other end. Bygones were bygones between us the next day — but trouble lay ahead.

By midnight I was rising every hour on the hour to take the poor sick little thing to the Kitty Litter. I took it to the Small Animal Clinic at the OVC next day and they diagnosed distemper, with a slim chance of recovery.

Despite the long distance charges I phoned frequently over the weekend and by Monday, to our delight, a recovery was in sight. All the same, Guy went as a pet to someone else — not because of our ups and downs but really because I worried so much about leaving it alone in the house all day when it was of a tender age and full of fun. So I decided we'd better part company.

I still miss him, though. What a short time it takes them to charm us.

With love, my dear,
Val.

Authority educates

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority's education program has had direct contact with 6,000 students during the past year.

Instituted three years ago, the program includes illustrated talks on conservation, conducted tours of nature trails in the Terra Cotta Conservation Area and assistance with programs and seminars on the environment.

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