

Halton Pioneers have 50th reunion June 5



ARTIST DOROTHY STONE displays the flag which she has designed for Halton Hills and showed council Monday. Miss Stone, who lives in Esquesing, also designed an identical badge for the town.

by Elva Pearen
 Descendants of Halton Pioneers celebrated at a golden jubilee reunion Saturday, June 5.
 The 50th anniversary of the first Leslie reunion was held at "Heralds", the beautiful farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dolson, Lot 3, Concession 6 West, Chinguacousy, one of the farms which was obtained from the Crown by the pioneer Leslies.
 From the beginning "John Leslie and Letty Ann Boker were born and married in the County of Tyrone in Ireland. They came to New York in 1817 and stayed there for two years where they received an order from the British Consul to get land in Canada. Letty Ann and one daughter died in Montreal enroute.
 "John and sons George, James, and John Jr., and daughter Margaret arrived in Esquesing Township, Halton County in 1819 and settled on Crownland Lot 22, Tenth Line Esquesing. At this time the land was all woods, no houses or roads. The country had been surveyed, as the land was available from the

Crown.
 "It is impossible to realize the hardships and dangers from wild animals, cold and starvation suffered by these early pioneers who came to the unbroken forest. They had to find a place where water would be available, and often with only an axe to clear a space to build first, a shelter, then a log cabin. How they managed to get food to survive is a mystery, as the nearest mill was at Oakville.
 In 1825 George married Elizabeth Standish. In 1828 James married Lydia Williams, and in 1834 John Jr. married Jane Starrett, and started homes of their own. Although they had thirty children, George and John Jr. and their wives celebrated their 60th wedding anniversaries and all lived beyond their three score years and ten.
 This quotation is from a book "Historical Sketch of the Leslie Clan, 157 years in Canada 1819 to 1976" prepared for the Golden Jubilee Reunion by Mrs. Hoy Gordon, R. R. 3, Ingersoll.
Reunion
 A delicious dinner was

served on the spacious lawn to about 140 members of the clan.
 Herb Dolson, president, welcomed all to his home and was in charge of the program. Music on a piano accordion played by John Allan, Mississauga, was enjoyed for a lively sing song.
 A history of 50 years of Leslie reunions which began August 26, 1926 at Blue Springs Park, Acton, with 330 people registered was read by Miss Elva Pearen, Acton. James Dickson, Mississauga

paid tribute, in a memorial to deceased members of the clan.
Prizes
 Robert G. Leslie, Acton, was in charge of special prizes which included: those from farthest distance, Mr. and Mrs. George Collins, Rosetown, Saskatchewan; oldest lady, Mrs. Ethel Pattison, Fergus; oldest gentleman, Victor Mills, Guelph; youngest person, Jonathon David Armstrong; couple married the longest, Mr. and

Mrs. Victor Mills, Guelph.
 A special prize of an engraved silver cup, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Herb Dolson was presented to Erin Lynn Leslie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Leslie, Georgetown, who is the seventh generation of Leslies in Union Church.
 Games and races on the lawn were conducted by Mr. and Mrs. David Berger of Sarnia.
Elect officers
 Officers elected for the next reunion to be held in 1978 are: past president, Herb Dolson, R. R. 4, Georgetown; president, Mr. Robert D. Leslie R. R. 4, Georgetown; first vice president, Mr. Robert G. Leslie R. R. 3, Acton; second vice president, Keith Leslie R. 4, Georgetown; secretary treasurer, Mrs. Isabel Bird, R. R. 2, Georgetown; recording secretary, (George and John families) Mrs. Wilfred Leslie R. R. 4, Georgetown, (James and Margaret families) Miss Elva Pearen R. R. 3, Acton; committee, Mervyn Yeats, Willowdale, James Dickson and John R. Allan, Mississauga, Graeme Hibbs, Erin, Terry Leslie, Georgetown, and Leslie Young Terra Cotta.

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Halton Hills will soon have its own badge and flag

Halton Hills will soon have its own official badge that can be handed out on sports crests or incorporated on gifts used for visiting officials.
 The badge, designed by artist and heraldic expert Dorothy Stone, who designed

the coat of arms, unveiled the badge at Halton Hills council, Monday night.
 She explained the coat of arms should be used by council or those in authority, and the badge is an emblem of membership in the clan,

family or town. "While it requires equal respect the badge can be used in a much broader way."
 A white pine in the centre represents Esquesing, a stylized oak leaf represents

Acton and papyrus leaves represent the paper town—Georgetown.
 The 10 leaves in the wreath stand for the 10 hamlets in Halton Hills.
 She said she kept it simple so it can be reduced in size for use on anything, and kept to three colors, blue, white and gold so it would be less costly to print.
 She showed a citizen's flag using the same design as on the badge.
 "If we accept this can we take the coat of arms off the garbage truck?" commented Councillor Dick Howitt.
 She explained the name Halton Hills could be added to the badge, but should not be on the flag.
 Council accepted the design and indicated they were delighted with Miss Stone's work.



Michael Allan Heller

Niagara region trip is enjoyed by 48

Thursday, June 3rd was the date chosen by the committee for the annual bus trip of Dublin Women's Institute. It was a perfect summer day for the outing and 48 ladies under the guidance of Gordon Aitken, of Denny Bus Lines, headed for the Niagara District.
 That week being Women's Institute Week, the first visit was to the Erland Lee Home near Stony Creek where the first Women's Institute was formed in 1897. The table where the constitution was signed was of particular interest, as well as the period furniture in the well furnished home. Many gadgets and utensils used by the pioneers were of much interest. Mrs. Verna Maluske, the president

of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario was the official hostess, and all were happy to meet her. Women playing their crafts in the Drive House was most interesting. A picnic lunch was enjoyed at the picnic tables on the well kept lawns.
Coffee stop
 Later the group enjoyed the Marine Show at Niagara Falls, the beautiful view of the Falls from the Panasonic Tower and a visit to the Wax Museum.

After dinner, the bus load continued to Burlington Mall for an evening of browsing around or attending the show. On the way home, a coffee stop was made near Milton. The bus load was composed of ladies from Ballinafad, Bannockburn and Rockalong Institutes as well as the host Institute and many friends. This pleasant outing was arranged by Mrs. C. Armstrong, Mrs. H. Dodds and Mrs. E. Norton of the Dublin Women's Institute.

10-speed
 The OPP are looking for a gold-colored, 10-speed bicycle belonging to a R. R. 2 Campbellville girl which was stolen last week.
 Police said a lock was forced and the bicycle taken as Gloria Rose Brusadin swam at Cloverleaf quarries.
 Anyone with information on the missing bicycle is asked to contact Milton OPP at 878-2307.

Books back
 Librarians happily report books were returned to them during Amnesty Week. No fines were charged; the staff just welcomed back their missing property.

Ryerson graduate



Corie Fisher

Corie (Maxwell) Fisher, R.R. 1, Acton, graduated with a Bachelor of Applied Arts in Radio and Television Arts from Ryerson Polytechnical Institute in Toronto.
 Corie is now employed at the Canadian Champion newspaper in Milton.

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DICK DEBOER

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 Park Toyota is proud to announce the appointment of Richard (Dick) DeBoer to its Sales Staff. Mr. DeBoer is no newcomer to the Georgetown and area people. He spent over 20 years in the retail business in Georgetown, both in sales and then ownership of a T.V. Sales and Service business.
 After this length of time, Dick has decided to serve the people in the capacity of sales consultant in the motor car industry.
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