

Golden anniversary

# Disc jockey Harry Arbic got to dance at the party



HARRY AND Verna Arbic cut the cake at the reception in St. Joseph's church Sunday in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Disc jockey Harry Arbic danced at his own party and his wife Verna Arbic made her own anniversary cake but didn't know it. It was all part of the golden wedding anniversary planning done by the sons and daughters of this well-known Acton couple. The happy celebration weekend included a family dinner and dance at the BP club house in Oakville, Saturday, a wedding Mass Sunday noon celebrated by Father Smye, Open House at St. Joseph's church all afternoon and more visiting at home afterward till well on into the evening.

The plotting family asked Mrs. Mansell Nellis to ask their mother to help her out by baking a wedding cake. Mrs. Arbic agreed, and Mrs. Nellis took the cake and iced it. At the party Sunday after-

noon Mrs. Arbic realized all the guests were being given pieces of the cake she had made, expecting it was for someone else's wedding!

Harry Arbic has been a popular disc jockey for local dances for years and almost all his weekends are booked up, including his wedding anniversary weekend. The family arranged to cancel his Saturday night engagement, and asked him to bring along taped music to the party in Oakville. Harry left the tape player and danced at the party—an unusual experience for him, despite the fact he goes to so many dances!

From Bracebridge Mr. and Mrs. Arbic grew up in Bracebridge and were married in St. Joseph's church there on May 16, 1927. They moved to Acton with

her son Russell who died a few years ago, and is very active in the church. The Arbics enjoyed travelling each summer, and last year went to Peru to visit their daughter Theresa who was living there with her husband and family.

Seven children They had seven children, Ray of Acton, Lorne of Milton, Elaine Malcolm of Gormley, Russell who is deceased, Wayne of Burlington, Theresa Duncan now of Thornhill and Danny of Silverreek. They have 16 grandchildren and their first great-grandchild was at the reception, Ricky Cole of Parry Sound. His grandfather is Lorne Arbic.

Presentations There were gifts, flowers and cards for the special occasion. Julian Reed came to Open House and presented the plaque from the province which incorporates the Queen's jubilee year. Father Smye presented them with a scroll from the Pope. Messages were received from the Prime Minister, M. P. Dr. Frank Philbrook and Mayor Don Gordon of Milton.

Many guests gathered in the parish hall to extend best wishes. Granddaughter Susan Cole looked after the guest book. Daughters-in-law poured and served the tea and coffee, Rena Arbic, Erna Arbic, Betty-Marie Arbic, Jane Arbic and Susan Arbic, assisted by Mary Fay of Milton. Grandchildren passed the plates of good things to eat.

Mrs. Arbic's attendant was Mr. Arbic's sister Marie Dale, and she came from Toronto for the occasion. Guests came from Toronto, Elmira, Kitchener, Oshawa, Orillia, Milton, Parry Sound, Burlington and Acton.

## 16 confirmed Sunday at Trinity ceremony

In an impressive service, 16 young people were confirmed as members of Trinity United church Sunday morning.

The Rev. Charles Beaton conducted the service and participating with him in the laying on of hands were the chairman of the board Bob Hart; junior group leaders Ann and Lloyd McIntyre and senior group leaders Bill and Pauline Leslie.

Confirmed in the junior group were Juanita Andrews,

Miriam Beaton, Nancy Frank, Wendy Hillman, Nancy Patterson, Lori Jones, Rhonda Speaker and twins Robert and Russell Allen.

In the senior group were Susan Bruce, Les Jones, Kim Hall, Joanne Miller, Heather Anne Reed, Steve Saunders and Kathy Wallis.

Took part They took part in the service reading Scripture, stating their creed, ushering and taking collection.

They took communion first, kneeling on the altar steps, and then served the rest of the congregation.

Each newly-confirmed person was welcomed by Elsie and Orwell Johnston and Gail Lidka, given church tie pins or charms and a copy of the "Blue Jean" Bible.

Deb Wellwood was also a member of the senior group. She was away on a school trip to Killarney and will be confirmed June 5. Two other members of the senior group, Mark and Kathryn Beaton, were also away on the trip. They have already been confirmed.

A reception afterward was organized by Ethel Denny of the worship and membership committee.

## Y's Menettes plan June rummage sale

The Acton Y's Menettes held their May meeting at the home of Chris Rivett. President Pat Nellis reported on the mini-convention held recently in Barrie. She and the four other members who attended, felt that the topics they discussed and the ideas that they exchanged were very beneficial.

A group of members will be travelling to Kitchener on May 19, to attend an interclub meeting of the K-W Y's Menettes. The guest speaker will be the Regional Director, Marg Johnston.

The Acton arena will again be the location of the annual rummage sale. It will be held

in conjunction with the Y's Men's auction on Friday evening, June 3. Any donations of good clean clothing will be greatly appreciated.

Work session A work session was held during the latter part of the meeting. After receiving instructions from Sally Leatherland, everyone began work on a macrame plant hanger. It was suggested that the finished articles be kept as part of the contribution to the Y's Arts and Crafts sale next fall.

A delicious dessert and coffee were served by the hostess at the conclusion of the meeting.

## Bazaar, open house planned by members

The May meeting of the C.W.L. was held in St. Joseph's church hall with a good turnout of members. It opened with a prayer.

Pauline Gordon reported that all the 120th anniversary plates have been sold and more are being ordered. The euchre for Fri., May 13 was planned. Flowers were sent to past-president Jackie Nolan who has moved to Kitchener. It was decided to carpet the hall entrance and put in a railing by the stairs.

Matheson will be the convener. The June meeting will be a pot luck supper. The meeting closed with a prayer.

Plans for the open house to be held on the church grounds were finalized. Theresa

## Moment silence

The Knox Alert Evening Group met in the Mary Ellen Anderson room of Knox Presbyterian Church. Before the meeting began a moment's silence was held in memory of Mrs. A. C. Stewart who had formed the group in 1924.

The theme of the program was Faith or Trust, and the hymns, scripture, prayer and readings, all brought out that theme. Elsie Loucks, Babe Roszell and Irene Terry, who had to be absent, due to another commitment, were in charge of the meeting.

At the close of the program, a poem, taken from an old edition of the Free Press, was read, telling how a Missionary group raised money during the year, ending up with the grand sum of sixty-three dollars!

During the business, letters of appreciation were read from the Stewart family and M. Zeidman, of the Scott Mission. The June picnic is to be held at the home of Mrs. Lena Mann. The meeting was closed with the Mizpah Benediction and a delicious lunch followed.

## Baptisms at church

Baptized on Mother's Day at the United church were Paula Marie Hardy, daughter of Wendell and Linda of Cobblehill Rd.; Lindsay Marie Mochrie, daughter of Alan and Marie of Mississauga; Lori Edna Teskey, daughter of Ed and Helen of Elmore Dr.; and Jason Troy VanderVeen, son of Martin and Deborah of R.R. 4, Acton.

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