

**Ballinafad**

**Chimes installed in Ballinafad church**



Ron McLean of Acton shows off his third prize winning Partridge Rock hen at the Guelph Poultry Association. Show held at Eden Mills. Other local winners included Fred Kentner, Hugh MacPherson, Mark Lillie, Pat and Erica Barr and Elizabeth Hoey.

**Eden Mills**

**Get well wishes to area residents**

by Mrs. W. MacDougall  
Mrs. Irene Skerratt, Sarnia, has been a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jennings. The three of them enjoyed meeting old friends and acquaintances at the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Skerratt held at their son's home, King City, Ont.

At July 16 ball game the senior ball team lost out to Morriston with a score of 8-6.  
Get well wishes go-out to Stephanie Turowski who has had to spend some of her holidays in hospital in Guelph.

The Friendly Seniors enjoyed a social afternoon of euchre and refreshments, with no business being dealt with on Wednesday afternoon. On Thursday, some of them spent a lovely day on a bus trip with the Rockwood Sunshine Club at Blyth and surrounding area, courtesy of the Rockwood Lionettes Club.

A welcome to the village is extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Shaw and two children from Burlington who have purchased the former home of the late Dr. and Mrs. W.G. Stevenson.

Get well wishes are extended to William McLean who is presently in Guelph General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rinehart were guests at the wedding of their niece, Miss Peggy Sutton and Don McInnis who both live in McAllen, Texas. Peggy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Sutton of Puslinch and the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. McInnis flew in from their home in Australia. The ceremony took place in Morriston United Church and the reception was held in the Eden Mills Community Hall. Fred was toastmaster for this happy occasion.

Scott Perry has gone west to live in Calgary and is presently working at Westinghouse. Good luck to this young man.

by Wiatred Smith  
This past Sabbath is one that should stand out in our residents' memory, as not only worshippers but those living in the village "Heard the Sound of Music" on Sunday morning. Through the generosity of a senior citizen chimes have recently been installed in Ballinafad United Church. "What a Beautiful sound as the old familiar hymns were played. The dedication of the chimes and the name of the donor will be given at a service in the church at a later date.

Rev. W. Dickson, a retired United Church minister was the guest speaker on Sunday. His sermon was based on "What was the Most Important Word" in the passage of Scripture he read. It was, he said, the short and simple word No. He read many verses of different chapters of the Bible to verify how important it was to say "No" when it would have been easier and much less difficult to say "Yes". He went on to say it is the same today. In many circumstances if the word "No" had been said a great many heart aches could have been avoided.

A wedding of special interest took place in Ballinafad Church on Saturday July 21. What made it so special was that for the first time in the history of the church that beautiful music came from the chime just recently installed in the church, which announced that a wedding was about to take place.

Another first was, after the young couple became man and wife, a lassie from the Georgetown Girls pipe band preceded the happy couple and the bridal party down the aisle of the church playing a lively tune on the bagpipes.

Another point of interest was that the bride was Ballinafad's own native girl. It was a beautiful wedding. The young bride looked lovely in her white gown and veil as she followed her attendants on the arm of her father up the church aisle to take her place in the front of the church beside the groom. Rev. Kelvin Johnston, a former minister was the officiating clergyman, when Marion Jamieson and Ronald Tilcox exchanged vows at the double ring ceremony. Preceding the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shortill sang a duet, and just before the wedding party left for down stairs to sign the register Mrs. Shortill sang a solo.

Mrs. Eileen McEnery was the organist for the occasion. A white horse and carriage was waiting outside the Church to take the newly weds for a drive around the village. The Jamieson home is within walking distance from the church. The bridal party and guests, led by the piper, walked to the home and spent some time there viewing the gifts and taking pictures before returning to the church basement where the reception and wedding supper was held. The U.C.W. catered for around 85 guests. Later that evening a dance was held at the community centre in Hillsburgh. Following the honeymoon the young couple will reside in Georgetown.

On Friday of last week a group of girls who belong to a bowling team along with close relatives and a few special friends thought it would be a nice gesture to honour Linda O'Connor, the occasion being her birthday. Lynda Larsen one of the special friends, got the idea, and made the arrangements. Cathy Haarsma, owner of the Georgetown Ceramics works invited Linda to have lunch with her. Instead of the customary place where they usually eat they ended up at the Mountain Dew Restaurant where the party had been arranged.

Linda was completely taken by surprise to see about thirty people all there to greet her and sing the "Happy Birthday Song".

The honoured guest sat at a special table centered with a birthday cake and a beautiful bouquet of flowers. The meal served was delicious. Mrs. Larsen assisted Linda in opening her many gifts. Lynda being overwhelmed by the kindness shown her sincerely thanked all. Every one present agreed they had enjoyed the party immensely.

Many of our residents are away on holidays, others have returned home. Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Bird and son Ashley are back from a vacation in England their daughter Helen, stayed to have a longer visit with relatives and will return home in time for school in September.

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