

**Eden Mills**

**Catherine Gilbertson turns 90**

by Mrs. G. MacDougall

At a recent meeting the Eden Mills Karate Club graded the following people to the rank of yellow belt: Tom Inledon, Lori Drysdale, Jane Thatcher, Chris Rowsell, Darrin Kane, Kevin Payne, Beate

**Obituary**

**John Carney**

John Churchill Carney, 111 Gzowski Street, Rockwood, died suddenly at his home March 16. He was 40 years old.  
Mr. Carney was born in Brampton on September 14, 1941, son of Frank and Edith Carney. He attended SS No. 9 Eramosa School, Guelph Collegiate Vocational Institute, John F. Ross Collegiate, Ontario Institute of Trades and Comestoga College.  
On June 20, 1964 he married Diana May Scott in Glencairn, Ontario. They lived in Rockwood for 16 years.

Mr. Carney was a retired plumber. He belonged to Campbell's Cross Loyal Orange Lodge, No. 761; Walker Masonic Lodge No. 321, (past master); Halton Chapter, No. 234, 4th Vellman; Ontario Steam and Antique Preservers Association; Past steward of Rockwood United Church and the McLaughlin-Buick Club of Canada.

He was also a member of Rockwood Bowling League, a Scout leader, and enjoyed restoring tractors, cars, trucks and woodworking.  
Mr. Carney is survived by his wife Diana, children Robbie and Elizabeth (Babe), a brother Douglas in Guelph and his father Frank. He was predeceased by a son Jamie in 1971 and his mother Edith in 1978.

Funeral service was held at Shoemaker Funeral Home, Acton, March 19 with Rev. Reese officiating. Walker Masonic Lodge members attended. Pallbearers were Peter Carney, cousin, George Scott, brother-in-law; Herb Toftlemire, brother-in-law; Bruce Pinder, friend; Jack Totton, master, Masonic Lodge; and Ray Totton, past master.  
Interment was at Rockwood Cemetery.

Jakob, Teresa Willis, Gordon Tomlinson, and to the rank of orange belt, David Johnson.

The Friendly Seniors held a short meeting before playing euchre last Wednesday. Plans are underway for their noon luncheon on May 5. Happy Birthday was sung to Mrs. James Gilbertson for her 90th birthday and to Mrs. William Gilbertson for her 92nd. At the April 7 meeting, Charlie Perry of Acton will show his slides of Japan.

On Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rinehart attended the wedding of Jean's cousin, Ian Thomson to Susan Joslin in St. Cuthberts Anglican Church Toronto.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Adair in their bereavement of Bill's grandmother, Mrs. E. McFarlane of Guelph.

On Sunday afternoon the Presbyterian Church was the setting for a festive Open House party to honor Mrs. James (Catharine) Gilbertson on the occasion of her 90th birthday. The guest book was signed by 160 friends and relatives who came to extend their best wishes on this special day.

The head table was centred with roses, candles and a birthday cake. Pouring tea and coffee were a sister, Mrs. Pete Wylie; three sisters-in-law, Mrs. William Anderson; Mrs. Herb Gilbertson and Mrs. William Calvert, also a dear friend Mrs. George Fleck from Glasgow, Scotland. Serving refreshments were grandchildren, great grandchildren and nieces. Church friends capably handled the kitchen duties.

Catherine Susannah (Anderson) Gilbertson was born on March 22, 1892, the second of seven children of the late Charlotte and Adam Anderson of Nassagaweya Township. On June 3, 1916, she married James Gilbertson and they moved to Eden Mills.

Two Anderson sisters wed two Gilbertson brothers and the families always lived together.  
Mrs. William Gilbertson who will be 92 on April 1, and her sister, are still well enough to manage their own home.

Mrs. Gilbertson was pre-deceased by her husband Jim in 1964, by her only son, Bob in 1977 and eldest daughter Kay (Stevenson) in 1978. Her only surviving daughter is Marie Davis of Guelph and she is richly blessed with 20 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren.

She is an active member of the Presbyterian Church, the Presbyterian Women, a life member of the Women's Missionary Society and enjoys meetings at the Friendly Seniors and occasionally the Rockwood Sunshine Club.

The lovely floral arrangements around the room and beautiful cards received were tokens of affection felt for this lady. Congratulations were also received from the Prime Minister, the Governor General and Guelph M.P. Jim Schroder.



Esie (Elizabeth) Rennie celebrated her 97th birthday at Eden House Nursing Home, Thursday, Mrs. Rennie, who lived in Orangeville with her husband Thomas for many years, was born in Amaranth Township. Mrs. Rennie who has been living at Eden House for about four years.

**Churchill**

**Outing to Mountsberg**

by J. Turner  
Have you ever visited a sugar bush to see how the trees are tapped, the sap gathered and processed to make the syrup we enjoy so much? The congregation of Churchill Church are planning to visit Mountsberg Wild Life Centre this Sunday afternoon to see the syrup making.

The Lenten Bible studies continue weekly as a dozen or more interested members gather at the church each Wednesday at 8 p.m. to study Corinthians 1. Rev. Jenkins leads the class, and the fascinating insights he sheds on this chapter of early Christian history makes the hour's lesson seem very short.

Members of the Churchill CCW enjoyed a special treat Saturday when they met at Fong's Restaurant, Georgetown, for lunch. After a

delicious meal and sociable time together, the nine ladies visited the old Glen Mill in Glen Williams, also Harrington's Craft Shop, and the art display and museum exhibit at the new Halton Hills Cultural Centre.

Members of Churchill CCW visited Mapleview Lodge last Tuesday afternoon. The singing had a decidedly Irish flavour, and Irish eyes smiled as we saluted Wild Irish Rose.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George Milne, Third Line, who celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary March 18. Their daughter, Susan, and son, David, invited a dozen close friends to a dinner party at Teddy's Restaurant. They also presented their parents with a "lost weekend" in Montreal. We hope the next 25 years are as good to Marj and George as the last 25.

**district**



Two Rockwood residents Paul Parkinson and Jim Timmings, are two directors of the new seed producing firm, First Line Seeds Ltd. of RR2 Guelph.



**Rockwood men involved in new seed company**

Two Rockwood residents are members of a group of Ontario seed producers who have formed a new company which will market premium quality seed to Ontario farmers.

First Line Seeds Ltd. of R.R. 2 Guelph will offer a special premium grade of soybean seed labelled 'Vigour Plus' in the 1982 crop year. Seed of other crops will be introduced later.

Paul Parkinson and Jim Timmings of Rockwood are two of the 14 principals involved in this company.

The new company is a private venture owned by a number of leading seed growers who share a reputation as knowledgeable producers of high quality seed. Each is well known in their local community and has exhibited a desire to contribute more to

the success of Ontario agriculture by becoming more involved with the seed industry.

Since each participant in First Line Seeds is a professional seed grower, the company is equipped with the expertise required to grow, harvest, store and move seed in a manner which will preserve a high degree of purity and quality, a press release from the firm says. A large proportion of seed produced by these growers should pass First Line's extremely strict quality control standards which include passing stringent vigour tests on the company's electronic Automatic Seed Analyser. While all seed offered is pedigreed, it must surpass the standards for pedigreed seed to rate the First Line Vigour Plus label.

**Ebenezer**

by Mrs. R. McLean  
Mr. Finley's topic was "God's gift of Grace", with Old Testament readings from Numbers 21, and New Testament from John 17. The junior choir sang two numbers, the congregation joining in "Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah."

Dave deBlauw is home from hospital.

Jessie Munro's many friends hope that she will recuperate rapidly from her recent surgery.

Belated congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Varcoe, Sr. who observed their 60th wedding anniversary, with 130 guests, at the Sundial Motor Hotel, Gravenhurst. Vera O'Gorman was among the guests. Mr. Varcoe will be remembered as the septic tank installer, and manager of Rockwood Concrete Products for many years. Both he and Mrs. Varcoe are enjoying good health, in their 80th and 79th years, respectively. Their daughter Vera Terkildsen lives near them.

**Batteries stolen**  
Batteries were stolen from three cars at Lou's Used Cars in Rockwood late Friday night or early Saturday morning. Guelph OPP report thieves used nut and bolt pliers to cut the batteries out.

**Seniors invited to hear traveller**

Eramosa's senior citizens are invited to attend the Rockwood and District Lions dinner meeting at Rockmosa Centre of April 7 and hear Dr. David Van Der Vent who will talk about his travels and show slides. Interested seniors are asked to call Jim Funk at 856-4801 after April 1 if they wish to attend.

**Windows smashed**

Vandals smashed windows of two cars parked in Eden Mills early Saturday morning. Guelph OPP report there was \$500 damage to windows in a car belonging to Steven Maycar and \$120 damage to the glass in a car belonging to Helga Schelke.

**Driver hurt**

David Stonehill, RR 1 Acton, suffered minor injuries when the car he was driving flipped on Highway 25 just after he turned off Highway 24 at Ospringe. Guelph OPP report Stonehill swerved to avoid a truck as he turned the corner and lost control of his car. There was an estimated \$800 damage to the vehicle.

**Pancake breakfast**

Rockwood and District Lions Club will hold their annual pancake breakfast on April 4 at Rockmosa Community Centre from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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