



A MIRACLE INDEED! The Thompson family, 8 Parkview Blvd., consider their "Manitoba Miracle" squash most appropriately named. The squash is over 10

pounds and Mr. Emery Thompson explained that the squash supposedly makes better tasting pies than pumpkin. And many-a-pie this squash will make.

Norval news

Norval United Church congregation marks 50 years

By Dorothy McLean

Norval United Church was filled with chairs in the aisles to celebrate the 50th year of the United Church in Canada on Sunday, September 7. Over 200 attended the special anniversary service.

The anniversary committee had planned a reunion Sunday for the celebration and invitations were sent to former members, many of whom attended.

Rev. R. Walter Ridley conducted the very meaningful service. His sermon was on "God chose, God cultivated, God forced." The service was planned to take a look at the past, the present, and the future of the church.

The choir, composed of members who sang in it during the leadership of the late Miss Kathleen Coombs, sang two selections with Mrs. Elaine Crawford as organist. A solo part in one of the anthems was taken by Mrs. Ruth Lyons.

The Teen Choir, representing the future, sang two selections accompanied by Terry Laidlaw on his guitar. A "Litany For Our 50th Anniversary" was responded to by various groups of the church. Reading parts in the litany were the congregation, the choir, Mrs. Gwen May, who represented those who have been members for the full 50 years, the elders, and executive members, and this year's Confirmation class, representing the future.

In the introduction of special guests present were several former ministers of the church, Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Gill of Ingersoll, Rev. Lloyd Freil of Clarkson, Rev. and Mrs. C. Lemke of Toronto. Also present were Mrs. Alex Cowan of Brampton, and Mrs. Roy Irwin and daughter Mary, of Milton, widow of the late Rev. R. Irwin.

The three former ministers present have all left the ministry. Rev. Freil and Rev. Lemke are now teachers. Rev. Gill has retired because of ill health. Rev. Alex Cowan of Brampton was unable to attend as he had a speaking engagement as head of the Canadian Bible Society in this area.

The oldest person present was Mrs. Frank Hustler of Brampton who celebrated her 94th birthday this year. The youngest was 18-month-old Sarah Hutton of Huttonville daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hutton, and a granddaughter of Mrs. Dorothy McLean.

Following the service lunch was served in the basement

and a fellowship time was enjoyed where people who hadn't seen each other for several years had a chance to chat together.

Of special interest were the many displays of pictures of former activities of church groups, weddings, and former ministers. Also enjoyed were lists of Elders for the past 50 years, treasurers of the church, W.A. and W.M.S. Presidents, and Sunday School superintendents and treasurers, also framed list of all ministers of the church since it was built in 1825.

Old church record books were on display and many enjoyed looking through them. A 50th year banner made by Unit Two of the U.C.W. and placards made by the Sunday School were on the walls.

The workshop service was inspirational and the fellowship inspiring, a very successful day to remember for many years.

Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Murray Laird on the death of Murray's sister, Olive, Mrs. Harvey McKinney, of Kingston, recently. She had celebrated her 80th birthday a few months ago. She was predeceased by her husband, Harvey, both Oliver and her husband Harvey were raised in Norval. They are survived by one daughter, Rosalie Roughton of Kingston, and four grandchildren, Douglas, Heather, Andrew and Stephanie Roughton.

A graveside service and interment was held in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval, on Wednesday, August 27.

Lloyd Holloway was presented with a gift by Bill Laidlaw during the worship service at Norval United Church on Sunday, August 31, in appreciation of his work as treasurer of the church for the past four years. Mr. and Mrs. Holloway and son Gordon have moved from Georgetown to Sussex, New Brunswick.

The Couple's United Church started off their fall activities with a corn roast at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Reid on Thursday evening, September 4 with over 40 in attendance and enjoying the fun.

Sympathy is extended to Miss Margaret Russell on the death of her brother, Jim Russell, in a Toronto hospital following a lengthy illness. The funeral was held on Tuesday, September 9 at the McClure-Jones Funeral Home.

Georgetown, conducted by Canon James Maxwell a friend of the family. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

Congratulations to Nadeen Lefebvre, daughter of Mrs. Ruth Lefebvre, and David Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmore Young, who were married by Rev. R. Walter Ridley in Norval Presbyterian Church on Saturday, August 30. They will reside in St. Catharines.

Get well wishes are extended to Mrs. Marion Reed and to Dan Wey. Both of them are patients in Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton.

Randy Fendley enjoyed a week at the Niagara Leadership Conference of the Anglican Church held at the University of Waterloo, recently.

Canon Moore Smith of Jamaica has been conducting the worship services at St. Paul's Anglican Church, recently while Rev. R. Ruggie is in Jamaica.

A Hammond family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howse, Norval, on Sunday, September 7 with 28 attending. Members of the family were present from Amherstburg, Oshawa, Thornhill, Bolton, Willowdale, and Norval.

Eighteen-year-old Mary Irwin, daughter of Mrs. Roy Irwin of Milton, attended the Tri-Chem, liquid embroidery paint, convention held in St. Louis Mo., as a delegate along with her mother who is an instructor. Mary is also an instructor. Her pictures won honorable mention at the convention among thousands of entries. Mary was lucky and won a Sunbeam Mixer at the convention.

Mary is a student at the School for the Deaf at Milton where she is taking Food Service.

Mrs. Irwin and Mary keep supplies of the Tri-Chem paints and materials at their home in Milton where those who are interested in this hobby can get their supplies.

Gordon Laidlaw and his family knew that miracles still happen.

A couple of weeks ago, Terry, who will be 18 next week, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Laidlaw was visiting with a family in Simcoe, Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey, a daughter and two sons who had recently moved there from Streetsville. The family and Terry went on a picnic to an area near Simcoe on Lake Erie. The two boys, both younger than Terry, and Terry were relaxing on the beach following a swim when the bank on which they were lying caved in, completed burying them under the sand. There had been two days of rain in the area which had weakened the sand bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey and their daughter frantically tried to dig them out when a group of Mennonites arrived on the scene for a picnic. They all

pitched in and dug with their hands until they had all three released. The youngest boy was unconscious and was rushed to London hospital where he spent a week. Terry and the other boy were taken by ambulance to a near-by hospital and later released.

If the Mennonite group had not arrived just when they did there was no way that Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey and their daughter could have dug the three buried young folk out in time to save their lives. While the fight to save his life was going on, Terry was picturing all the Laidlaw relatives at his funeral. It was a very terrifying experience for all of them.

Terry, who still experiences a little difficulty in breathing, started at Guelph Agricultural College on Monday, September 8, realizing that he is a very lucky young man and all the family agree that it is a miracle that he is alive today.

Ballinafad news

Ballinafad WI meet for first time this summer

By Winifred Smith

The Ballinafad WI met again in September after having July and August free from meetings. It was held at the home of Mrs. Slesoraitis. All members bar one, were present and there were two visitors.

After the president's welcome and the regular opening exercises the rollcall was responded to by passing around a picture of your farm or home and telling something of its history.

Delegates were chosen to attend the area convention in Atwood at the beginning of October. Mrs. R. B. Kirkwood and Mrs. Tom Given will teach the 4-H Homemaking Club's project "The art of bread making" for group one. Mrs. Wm. McLean and Mrs. Lloyd Burt will lead Ballinafad Two on the fall project "Let's bake bread." The first meeting for group two will be held at Mrs. McLean's home on Saturday. Haven't set a date for group one as yet.

Mrs. Kirkwood, as convener for Cultural and Tweedsmuir History, took over the meeting. Mrs. Givens was called on for current events. Mrs. Smith gave the motto. Mrs. Given

and Mrs. Slesoraitis had interesting stories of their farms. Mrs. Slesoraitis had history of their farm dating back to 1829.

The program ended with all having a look through the pages of the Tweedsmuir History Books that Mrs. Kirkwood had brought to the meeting. Mrs. Vaedchavne and Mrs. Marshall assisted the hostess in serving lunch. Mrs. Given was the auctioneer for the sale of plants.

The weather was threatening but the rain held off till late Friday afternoon guaranteeing the success of Lloyd McLean's auction. The UCW had a booth there which was well patronized.

The traffic was really heavy through the village on Saturday with most of the cars headed north in the direction of Hillsburgh, most likely to attend the Potato Fest there.

There was a grand parade shortly after noon Saturday. On Friday evening Miss Lana Chambers was chosen Queen of the Potato Fest. Saturday saw the largest crowd in many a year at the event. One booth, run by the Coninaby WI, was busy all day serving potato pancakes. The weatherman co-operated although rain was

predicted. It was, as usual, a most successful event.

It is the time of year for corn roasts and it was such a happy occasion on Saturday evening when neighbors were invited to the farm of the Sandersons. The boys had a grand fire going. There was lots of corn, hamburgers, and trimmings with music in the background. A most pleasant evening.

Weddings which involve families from our area are very much in the news. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mathews were guests at the wedding of his sister at Terra Cotta on Saturday. Next Saturday at Ballinafad Church the wedding of a local girl, Kathy French, will take place.

Ballinafad Community Centre was the scene of a very happy occasion Saturday, September 6, when a young couple, who had just become man and wife, along with their attendants and guests, met for the reception and wedding supper.

Miss Sue Withlers and Mr. Jack Cammen both of Toronto, were married earlier on Saturday afternoon at a church in Norval. The Ballinafad WI catered for the buffet supper. The tables were set up, the color scheme being a pretty shade of blue with a touch of pink. The cake which centred the table for the bridal party, was also decorated with blue.

There was a dance to end the festivities with the best of wishes going to the happy couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Crowe of Mississauga, Mr. and Mrs. Norm Swann and Kevin, spent Sunday at the Smith farm.

Mr. John Kanusek is visiting his father who is seriously ill in a hospital in Edmonton, Alberta.

Wine and cheese open University Women's meeting

A wine and cheese party at the home of Eleanor Langdon on Sept. 2, opened this season's meeting of the University Women's Club of Georgetown. At the meeting new prospective members were welcomed and activities projected for the coming year were introduced.

The monthly meetings will follow the theme "survival" and several of these meetings will be open to the public.

Oct. 7 is the date set for the first public meeting which will be held at the Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena. Mrs. Dorothy Hogan will give a workshop and performance on the Canadian Folksong at that meeting.

In addition to the monthly meeting, the membership was invited to choose one or more from a list of 13 interest groups ranging from civic affairs to a film society.

A highlight of the evening was the introduction of three award winning graduates of the Georgetown District High School. The University Women's Club \$75 Proficiency Award went to Wendy Butchart who is enrolling in the Honors Science course at Western University.

The award for community spirit and leadership ability as well as scholastic achievement went to Kimberley Wilde and Brenda Webb who each received \$75. Both girls have worked as Candystrippers and helpers of the mentally retarded. Kimberley will study at York University and Brenda at Western University. The

goal of each is a career in special education. The presentation of award winners is an annual event for the University Women's Club whose aims is to promote the higher education of women.

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Premier in town

Premier Bill Davis will be in Georgetown for a noon-hour luncheon this Friday to give local PC candidate Gary Dawkins a final boost in his campaign.

Davis will arrive by train approximately 12 noon and then head for the North Halton Golf and Country Club where a special luncheon has been arranged.

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