My memories

of Auntie 'D'

By SUSAN DE FACENDIS Herald Columnist

a relative after a 27 year absence; with a lady whom you

ly known amongst the family, is here for a three-week visit with my parents. As both my brothers and parents have taken intermittent return visits to the homeland, only yours truly was the unknown quantity for her to rediscover, along

It was as though time had rolled back 27 years and it was my

grandmother once again standing before me - so closely

does Auntie "D" now resemble her mother. Here was a lady

I had looked up to with a childs-eye-view, and suddenly I was

confronted with a little lady who barely reaches to my

into her seventh decade (forgive me Auntie "D" if I am

giving away any well-kept secrets), and she has lost none of

probably one of the most scenic areas of England, she is an

active leader in her community. She runs the weekly whist

drives; the bridge nights; is caller for the regular bingo

addicts and is never too busy to sit down with her

TOWN GIRL

summer school holidays was always a highlight of my

childhood. As a town girl with a passion for animals, the

would head off to absorb the sights, sounds and smells of the

open arena where cows and horses were auctioned. We

would gaze at the pigs and chickens for sale and long to

purchase every caged rabbit whose unhappy future was

undoubtedly the local butcher shop. Pupples and kittens

were plentifully available, while flowers and a profusion of

vegetables were attractively displayed to tempt purchasers

countryside to explore by bicycle and a nearby field of

tethered goats to be petted. We pulled handfuls of lush grass

that lay beyond their reach and placed it before their

steadily chewing jaws and, if we stayed late enough for

milking time, a jug of rich, warm milk was the reward for

with secrets shared and explored between cousins over a

mutually purchased can of sticky, sweet condensed milk,

vengeance. She counts the number of lightbulbs in each

dining room light fixture, turns off light switches zealously -

exclaiming over how much the electricity would cost her at

home - leaving my parents to fumble around in a suddenly

HOT WATER

baths; reluctantly ascended to the top of the C.N. Tower -

then refused to come down because she enjoyed it so much.

She has seen Stratford; Niagara Falls; had lunch at the

magnificent golden Royal Bank building in Toronto with my

sister-in-law, and has partaken of her first barbeque at our

house. She has met kind strangers who have welcomed her

into their homes and has left them, in turn, with a refreshing

viewpoint on the comfortable way of life we take for

with a lifetime of stored-up happy memories, I hope her far

too short visit here will supply her with enough events and

Just as memories of Auntie "D" have supplied me

She revels in the unlimited amount of hot water for

delectably spooned out beside a gently running stream.

For the rest of the week there was the open

Oh, the beautiful golden days of summer childhood,

Meanwhile, Auntie "D" has taken to Canada with a

grandchildren and listen to the newest rock albums.

country setting suited me to perfection.

equipped with string shopping bags.

our attentiveness.

darkened apartment.

once knew as intimately as your own parents.

with my husband and children.

her sparkle and rest for life.

shoulder in height.

It is a strange experience reacquainting yourself with

My mother's sister, Auntie "D" as she is affectionate-

My initial reaction upon meeting her was one of shock.

While I will not tell you her age, suffice it to say she is

Always having lived in a country setting, in what is

Visiting Auntie "D" and my cousins during the

Saturday was market day and my cousin, Janet, and I

ON THE HOMEFRONT——

## theHERALD Community

Ballinafad

## Seek support for boys' soccer

By WINIFRED SMITH Herald correspondent Several ladies from this

community joined other ladies, some relatives when they met at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Les Drysdale at Brisbane recently.

Mrs. Drysdale and Mrs. Joyce Sprowl entertained a June bride-to-be, Vicki-Lynn Polo at a miscellaneous shower. There were about 30 present, including the bride's mother, and her Aunt Blanche and cousin Debbie Miller from Toronto.

Vicki-Lynn is well known

#### Celebrate 60 years of marriage

Herald Special Gordon and Violet Bowen of Woolwich Street, Guelph celebrated their 80th wedding anniversary Saturday with a party in the Acton Band Hall.

The Bowens were married May 17, 1920, by Rev. MacLeod, minister of Parkdale Presbyterian Church and moved to RR1, Limehouse to begin farming In 1944. Shortly afterwards they bought the old Wes Murray farm at RRI, Acton and farmed there until they retired in 1966.

here as she spent much of her childhood with the Marshalls on the Eighth Line, who are her grandparents.

She thanked all for lovely presents she received. Mrs. Drysdale assisted by her two young daughters and the other ladies, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Sprow! served a dainty lunch and a happy afternoon came to a close.

Residents were saddened and shocked last week when they heard that the farm home on the Sixth Line was burned down. It was the former home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McEnery, which they recently moved from. The property is now owned by Mr. Beatty. The nouse was not occupied at the

time as it was being renovated. There are now four Ballinafad soccer teams in action for this week as the 1980 season gets underway.

The boys have been practic-ing hard for about six weeks and are now ready for the competition in the Georgetown house league in the squirt and atom teams. The mini-squirts, will of course be enjoying the opportunity to develop their skills in the non-competitive coaching sessions. The squirt and mini-squirt teams will be playing at Yoder field and the atoms at Cedarvale.

All the boys would appreciate the support of Ballinafad residents throughout the coming season.

There is an additional place available in the squirt team for a boy born in 1972. Any interested parents please contact

**50 YEARS WED** 

Bowling Club. Family and friends gathered in the club house Saturday evening to wish them well.

Myrtle and Albert Pattenden celebrated 50 years of marriage Saturday at the Lawn

one of the coaches, Ivan Bird or Gord Colton.

Family and friends gathered at the home of Frank Smith to honor him on his 85th birthday May 24. The barbeque supper complete with a large birthday cake was served on the lawn. The weather was perfect which added to the pleasure of the occasion.

The sacrament of baptism was celebrated during the church service Sunday when Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pinkerton presented their infant son. Alex Llewan Pinkerton for

Previous to the baptismal service, the junior choir, although small in number, sang" a beautiful anthem under the direction of Mr. Pinkerton, who also accompanied them on the organ. Following the children's story, Martha Lewis sang a beautiful inspiring solo, with Eileen McEnery at the organ. These musical selections were very much enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Stiles introduced the guest speaker, Gordon Young, representing the Halton Hills Camp of the Gideons International In Canada. He was very informative with his message and had some beautiful Bibles

Linda Lorsen is expected home from the Georgetown hospital this week where she will be recuperating from recent surgery.

Glen Voutz of the village is p.m. also a patient in the Georgetown hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.



TAKING THE PLUNGE

It may have cooled off somewhat since then, but Saturday was a hot day. The rivers and streams in the area were crowded with children trying to keep cool. Most of them paddled about in the shallows trying to get used to the water, which still had a cold

nip to it, but these four decide to take the plunge all at once. The speed of their entry in the water was matched only by the speed of their exit.

(Herald photo by Lori Taylor)

## Season's last social event will be this Friday evening

ELECTIONS, JUNE 1 at 2

Imperial member Bob Bowman has passed on to me this information of an upcoming social evening, the Imperial's last of the season. This will be May 30 (Friday) at 8:30. They are calling it 'THE \$1.99 NIGHT' and you can "pay at the door".

Your DJ for the evening will be Norm Eyre and you are invited to come along and have fun at the "liveliest show in town". Come and learn the Chicago Swing, the newest "line" dance from New York. Get a group together and plan on attending this Friday.

Got a chair or chaise lounge you want re-webbed? Now is the time to consider having It done at ARC Industries in Hornby. They do a very good job and you have many colors to choose from. Please leave items at the branch clearly marked with your name, address and phone number. They are delivered each Monday and please pick up at branch. Prices are \$4 for a chair and \$6 for a chalse lounge. This service, run by friendly Frank King, is not only for branch members but for all who wish to take advantage of a "lob well

My, my. I counted 33 at our general meeting last Thursday and 11 of those were executive members. Secretary Lynda Wright read minutes from last general meeting and two executive meetings to bring all members present up to date on branch business the past

month. All chairmen gave their reports with Gib Telford (Ways and Means) commenting on Wednesday Night Bingo. (Good job, Gib, and all your helpers.)

Membership chairman Pat Chamberlain reported 447 members paid up (that's ordinary members) and 43 honorary members paid up. There are a few in both categories that are not paid up and of course they DO NOT get their membership card or key-card until they do and they must ring the bell to get in as does any non-member.

Please see Pat before our elections June 2 as there is NO way you can vote if you aren't paid up. Don't lose that special privilege.

HOSPITAL VISITS Sick chairman Denny Wright gave a thorough report on having visited those in hospital and those that have come home. Sam Glaby in Georgetown hospital (probab-ly home by the time the paper is out), Bob Dunn (home), Fred Hue, Georgetown, (not too well), Percy King, Georgetown (coming along nicely), Herb Robinson (home), Bill Korzack (home and feeling much better), Ken Jackson, one of our most recent members (St. Michael's Hospital), Roy Wiggans (Georgetown Hospital),

Walter Louth (home), Jim Murphy (Milton Manor, he and Maggle doing O.K.), William Wylle (Milton Manor, the same), Doris Frawley (home), Bruce Collins (home), Ed. Shorthill (home and doing very

Legion Lines

By Roma Timpson

well), Mike McGill (home and would enjoy a trip to the

branch occasionally.) If any one can oblige Mike, please do. We are happy that many of you are home and hope that soon all our members will be much better.

First-vice Norm Ward had a pleasant duty Thursday when he presented to President Harold Badham a Certificate of Merit Award, Harold, having been away on Legion business our last Honor and Awards night missed out at that time and was caught unawares on Thursday.

Joe Poirier, speaking for the Air Cadets says that another Garage Sale will be held and this one is July 12 at 56 Norton Cres. Call either Joe at 877-3534 or Bill Moore, 877-6461, if you have something that needs to be picked up or you can take it over to 56 Norton Cres.

May 15 car club winners were 425 Ed Stafford, 294 Buster Wood, 301 Jim Emmerson, 316 K. Telford, 244 Don Cook and 106 Madelaine Collier. For the week of May 22nd the winners were 434 Flo Matheson, 112 Flo Walker, 439 T. and M. Zillo, 484 C. Davies 86 A. Nicholson and 288 J.

Hillcrest May 15, then Mrs.

John McNabb drew the winn-

ing ticket for the beautiful

Dresden Plate quilt the ladies

made this winter and the

winner was Nancy Schmidt,

Home Economist for Halton

and Peel. Mrs. Treviranus

reported on the officers

Conference she had attended

end of April, then called on

Mrs. Bruce McClure for the

Mrs. Ford Wickson

program.

'Tut' Harrison. 2nd Vice, M. McLean, Henry Hale, D. Wood, L. Mallabon. Executive (4 needed) R. Bradley, R. Waites, A. Hall, R. Bowman, S. Marder, N. Monk, J. Gilchrist, E. Lewis, J. Golden, J. Presswood, D. Chamberlain, R. Timpson.

Also, if you don't see a name on the list, be sure you are there to nominate the member you feel will help Branch 120

Take a look at the following

names nominated last Thurs-

day and if you feel you know

someone who could fulfill the

available positions for the next

12 months, be sure you are out

to vote for them this Sunday,

Mr. and Mrs. John Rowley from York, England, are visiting with Les and Alice Mallabon for a few weeks. We warmly welcome Janet and John, who have been to the branch and met many friends of the Mallabons. They tried to teach a new dance step to those in the Lounge Saturday evening, The Farmer's Wife.

Elected members of the Auxiliary to other positions are Kitchen Convenor, Anne Nicholson and Sick Convenor Edna Rippon, Appointed members are, Banquet Convenor Marg Clarke, Pianist, Vi Hewitt, Bazaar, Kathy Monk, Entertainment chairlady Liz McNeilly (with Kathy Watson and Leona Postlethwaites on committee).

As Sgt.-At-Arms, Marg Clarke will have five standard bearers to call on when needed although only three are needed at one time. These girls are Jessie Johnson, Marion Carney, Vi King, Joanne Cole and Helen Cloutler.

These ladies appreciate your full cooperation in the next year, so where and when you can help, please offer. Jan Emmerson will be calling you for banquets but there is a lot more to help

As you know, Branch 120 sponsors the Royalettes and as a rule for the first home game it is the custom for our president to appear with the girls along with 1st and 2nd vice presidents.

This year was no exception, as President Harold Badham pitched while Pat Chamberlain was at bat and Norm Ward held the position as catcher.

Ted Wilkes introduced us to his assistant, Glen Abery, and to his team of Nancy Shorthill, Janet McKay, Dea Rutherford, Joey Bennett, Jennifer Linton, Barb Curry, Michelle Meihm, Patti Gies, Becky Halonen, Diana Hickey and Monica Pollock. A great bunch of girls who have done us and themselves proud many times.

President, N. Ward, H stories to keep the village of Duraley, Gloucestershire, agog Badham, P. Chamberlain, D. Wright, For 1st Vice, G. Telford, W. Smith, H. Bottoms, D. Bell, E. Clarke, T. Elliott, Refugees are guests

at CWL meeting

> Two former Southeast Asian families now living in Halton Hills were special guests of the Georgetown's Catholic Women's League at a meeting held May 19 in Holy Cross Church auditorium.

Sponsored in their recent immigration by the Holy Cross Indo-Chinese Association, the Dang family from Viet Nam and the Vongsavath family from Laos were introduced by Mary Tucker and Brenda Aucott and were presented with household appliances on behalf of the CWL.

Member Pauline Miller also welcomed special guests from the CWL's Hamilton Diocese Council, including president Dona Noonan, third vicepresident and resolutions convenor Helen Chlaholm and corresponding secretary Monica McColl. The new executive for the

dent Helen Callaghan, first vice-president Slena Van Hoekelen, second vice Pauline Miller, third vice Julie Varricchio, secretary Trudy Edwards and treasurer Marg Marg Wilcox introduced

Carlos Domingos, his wife and daughter and presented Mr. Domingos with a calculator in appreciation of all the work he has done for the CWL.

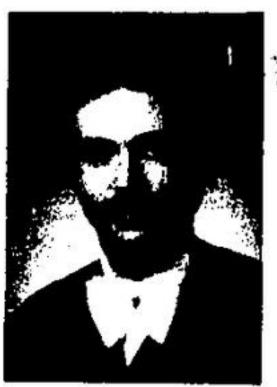
One of the guest speakers, Helen Chisholm, said she hoped she would see a good turn-out of our members at the upcoming CWL convention, which will be held at the Holiday Inn, Hamilton, May 30 to June 1.

As in previous years, it was unanimously agreed that pens will be presented to the Grade 8 graduating class and \$25 would be given to the best alround girl atudent at Holy Cross School. The sum of \$15 will also be given to the best alround girl student in the Grade 6 class at St. Francis of Assissi.



#### **Honors BA** for Donna Brown

Donna Lynn Brown, a graduate of Georgetown District High School, will convocate with a four-year Honors Bachclor of Arts degree in English and Communications, in ceremonles to be held at Convocation Hall, University of Toronto June 18. Donna is the daughter of Ellen and Don Burns, R.R.1, Limehouse.



#### Honors BM for Frank Mandarino

Frank Mandarino received

## Home economist wins a Dresden Plate quilt

By Mrs. JOHN BELLBODDY Herald Correspondent

Last Tuesday evening 30 members and eight visitors met at the lovely home of Mr. and Mrs. James Carney on Walker's Line below Milton for their Family and Consumer Affairs Women's Institute The new president, Mrs. G.

Treviranus, opened the meeting with the ode and collect; Mrs. J. McPhail acted as secretary in the absence of Mrs. John Ruddell and gave last month's minutes and the Roll Call, which was answered with "What I serve to unex-

pected guests". Mrs. R. Alexander gave the report of the District Annual at

### Old friends gather for Memorial Day

By MRS. A.W. BENTON Herald Correspondent Limehouse Presbyterian Church was filled last Sunday morning when Memorial Day

service was held. The choir sang two anthems and led in the hymns, Mrs. A.J. Benton provided accordion music for the final hymn at the

Rev. Peter Barrow gave an Interesting talk about cemeteries in southern Ontario and delivered a short sermon as well. The ladies served a plentiful lunch afterwards while acquaintances were renewed by folks from Barrie, Toronto and the surrounding country-

John Benton and Lynne Buscher were two local public school students who enjoyed a bus trip to Ottawa last week. sponsored by the Hamilton division of the Canadian Automobile Association.

residence, the Museum of

They took part in a mammoth traffic stopping national jamboree parade of uniformed safety patrollers 7,000 strong from across Canada. They visited the houses of Parliament, the Governor General's Man, the War Museum, the Science Centre, the circus at the Civic Centre and saw the musical ride by the R.C.M.P. Three full days!

introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Carolyn McDonnell, who is National Director of the Beef Association. She showed a film on the role of beef animal in human nutrition which stressed how the cow is important to the human race by the grass it consumes; she then demonstrated with a six-pound roast how four meals can be made

Everyone enjoyed a taste of the violin, with her Ashgrove, Mrs. Harvey Nurse gave the courtesies and after singing O Canada and the W.I.

when you can cut it up into different ways yourself. the beef strips with tomatoes she prepared. Mrs. John Bird daughter Carolyn on the accordion, delighted the ladies with their musical numbers Amazing Grace, the Voice in the old Village choir and

grace, meeting closed with a social hour.

# coming year includes presi-

his Honors Bachelor of Mathematics Degree in Computer Science at the University of Waterloo recently. Frank is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Mandarino, 387 Delrex Blvd. in Georgetown.

**GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY** Wilda and Wilfred Breen celebrated their 50th anniversary Saturday afternoon with an open house for family and friends at the Lions Hall.

(Herald photo)