

Outlook on Lifestyle



Pike, that's what Neil Simpson and his dad Bryan were hoping to catch at Fairy Lake recently. The Streetville family came down for a bit of fish, sun and relaxation. (Herald photo)

Father's Day origins: It started with a Civil War veteran widower

This year June 21st will mean more than just the first day of summer. It's also Father's Day - one of the most popular of Canada's "unofficial celebrations". On the third Sunday in June, dads of all ages will be celebrated, praised and generally acknowledged for their contribution to family life.

According to Aileen Murray, today's dads are being recognized for many of the same qualities that led to the observation of Father's Day 77 years ago.

"Fathers are taking on more and more of the family roles traditionally assumed by mothers, whether it's helping out with household chores or sharing childcare responsibilities," she says. "For many fathers, their family rather than their job has become the primary source of emotional fulfillment."

Carlton Cards have compiled the following information about the origin of Father's Day and how we celebrate it today:

The original Father's Day was a tribute to one man - William Jackson Smart - a widowed Civil War veteran who single-handedly raised five sons and a daughter. In 1909, Smart's daughter Mrs. Sonora Louise Dodd began efforts to establish Father's Day after she heard of the Mother's Day movement.

The following year, Father's Day was observed locally in Spokane,

Washington. Mrs. Dodd had suggested it be held on June 5th, her own father's birthday, but it was postponed until the third Sunday in June to allow the Spokane ministers time to prepare special sermons. The celebration received wide press coverage and the idea of Father's Day spread across the country. Soon a national movement was formed to have Father's Day proclaimed a national holiday.

Surprisingly, it was not until 1972 that the U.S. passed a congressional resolution permanently establishing Father's Day as a national holiday. In Canada it continues to retain its status as an "unofficial" holiday.

Today, Father's Day is celebrated in more than 40 countries around the world. Approximately 18 million Father's Day cards are exchanged in Canada and the vast majority are delivered personally with a "hug and a kiss".

Carlton's Aileen Murray says the trend in greeting cards is toward simple messages that highlight the understanding involved in fatherhood. "Father is not just an authority figure but also a friend, someone you can communicate with". Carlton offers more than 650 Father's Day cards to deliver the appropriate message to each and every father.

As the baby boomers become parents and mature, there's a decided return to the traditional values

taught by their parents and a desire to deliver these same values to the next generation," says Murray. William Jackson Smart would feel very much a part of today's generation of "new style" fathers.

CORRECTION

The COPELAND LUMBER advertisement appearing on Page 11 of today's Outlook should read:

SOUND TUBES 6' or 12' Length	45¢ FT.
PRESSURE TREATED FENCE BOARDS 1" x 6" x 5'	\$1.65
1" x 6" x 6'	\$1.95
OLYMPIC DECK STAIN 4 Litres	\$26.99
DECKS: Spruce	\$182.99
Pressure Treated	\$249.99

Based on 3" Deck Height 8' x 10'
Outlook apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused

Family Fiesta Penny winners

Georgetown District Hospital Auxiliary Family Fiesta Penny Sale Winners:

Silk flowers from Vanderburgha - Cheryl Widemire, Acton; Georgetown Bowl coupons - P. Harrison, Irwin Cr.; Light bulbs - Mira C. Rafka, Hornby; Make up case - N. Farndale, Georgetown; Matches - Betty Gordon, Mary St.; Basty notes - J. St. Pierre, Cafeteria; Goodhousekeeping Cook Book - Inez Crichton; Poted evergreen - C. Sargent, Kin Court; Plant care kit - Natalie Rochon, Slaviansky; Joanne Meek; Auxiliary cook book - Anne Usher, Georgetown; Wood stain - Pal Mikyuly, Extremers; Mary Peaire; Guest towel - Sandra Yelland; Golf balls - Marie Spitzer, Georgetown; Bill and receipt organizer - C. Young, Georgetown; Poted evergreen - Marie Moody, Glen Williams; Hoopla set - June Cook, Georgetown; Georgetown Bowl coupons - Winnie Houston, Bennett Centre; Light bulbs - Sharon Anderson, Debra Elvid; Napkin holder - Bernadene Kavanagh, Norval; Brunch for 2 at Someplace Else - Ted Gorth, Georgetown; Pot-

ted evergreen - Anita McTeavy, Georgetown; Chocolates - M. Manshaw, Durham St.; Bean top and - A. Holdahl, Georgetown; Handkerchiefs - Rudy Dejong, Acton; Ironing board cover - Anne McNeven, Georgetown; Cookie jar - K. Lawrence, Acton; Hair conditioner from Schaefer - J. H. Barber, Georgetown; Coasters - Roman, Mary; Bill and receipt organizer - Anne Usher, Georgetown; Windshield cleaner - Ethel Schenk, Walle; A. Holdahl, Georgetown; T. Shet from Petals - Kay Robertson, Georgetown; Ceramic picture - L. Pond, Kin Court; Alphabet - D. Kerby; 4 tickets Centennial Alumni Choir - C. Young, Georgetown; Avon - M. McCandless; Auxiliary cook book - Vi Gorth, Georgetown; Candy dish - Daisy Lucy, Holton; Silk flower arrangement (flarrcraft) - Doris Pearswood; Pencil case and markers - June Gilson, Georgetown; Set of 4 highball glasses - C. Lawrence, Acton

Hallies Handknit sweater - Stuart Ing; Brunch at Jact Dancers - Cindy Jackman; A bottle of Cheer - E. Duke; Bottle of Cheer - Dr. F. Richards; Bottle of Cheer - Dr. J.P. Panabaker; Basket of Cheer - Isabel Weaver.

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