

Baptism celebration

By KAY WILSON Norval Correspondent

NORVAL-Christian Family Sunday and the celebration of Baptism and Confirmation was held at Norval United Church on May 14, with an overflowing congregation at the 11:15 a.m. service.

Rev. Walter Ridley, conducted the service, and special music by the choirs added to the service.

Babies welcomed into the Church Family by Baptism were: William Andrew, son of Shelley (Laidlaw) and Patrick Cameron; Clint Wesley, son of Karen (Davis) and Thomas Adcock; Candace Lauren, daughter of Dawna (Giles) and Glen Lyons; Jack Davis, son of Sandra (Hyatt) and John Harrison; Katelyn Jean, daughter of Jean (Van Berkum) and Paul Laidlaw; Paul William, son of Susan (Diener) and Alex Gunn; Jacob Alexander, son of Barb (Haskins) and Troy La Roche; Angela Nicole, daughter of Heather (Stewart) and Larry Laidlaw; and Geoffrey Garrett, son of Diane (Savage) and Jeff Burk.

Representing the elders and presenting the certificates were Gayle Robinson and Kay Wilson.

Following the Baptism four young people from the confirmation class, confirmed their faith, including Christopher Howse, Debra Howse, Erin Reed, and Gayle Reed. Fred and Linda and Bruce and Shirley Reed, parents of the young people, assisted in the service, as did George Smith and Brian Evans, representing the elders.

Rev. Ridley's sermon was "Rebirth and Renewal." "Breathe on me Breath of God" and "Love Divine," old familar hymns, added to the service.

75th birthday open house

NORVAL-The family of Mrs. Elsie McCurdy of Streetsville, held open house for their mother, on her 75th birthday, at the Senior Citizen Hall, Streetsville, on May 7. Formerly of the Ashgrove and Hornby area, Elsie was one of a family of 10, the daughter of the late Rev. John and Mrs. Neill. Rev. Neill ministered at Ashgrove United Church, from 1929-1933, which was made a three point charge with Hornby and Bethel in 1930.

After attending Hornby Public and Milton High School, Elsie went on to teachers college, returning later to teach at the one-room Ashgrove School, prior to her marriage to Wilbert Mc-Curdy of Hornby.

Elsie's three daughters Laurene Payne of Streetsville,

Gwen McCurdy of Brampton and Eleanor Way of Streetsville and son Leonard McCurdy of Regina, assisted their mother in receiving over 300 relatives, friends and neighbors. Six grandchildren also enjoyed the party including Doug Oakville also attended.

Several of her former pupils from Ashgrove were there including Marion Hunter, Doris McNabb, Ward and Betty Brownridge, Marion Lawrence, Isabel Carney, and from Milton, Ruth Ford, an old school friend.

Balloons and flowers decorated the hall, along with a beautiful buffet table, centred with a birthday cake. Among the many guests were Mayor Hazel Mc-Callion of Mississauga, as well as many nieces and nephews from Welland, Port Robinson, Don Mills, Kitchener and Elmira, who came to extend their Best Wishes to this lovely lady. .

12th grandchild

NORVAL-Congratulations to Mrs. Grace May of Hornby, on the birth of her 12th grandchild on April 19, at Grimsby Hospital. Justine Kimberley, daughter of Richard and Eartha (May) Zila of Beamsville, Ont., and granddaughter of Mrs. Linda Zila of Beamsville.

Chicken B-B-Q on May 27th NORVAL-Mark your calendar folks for May 27, 4-8 p.m. for the annual chicken barbeque at the Huttonville School, sponsored by

and Barb Payne, Kevin and Kristy McCurdy, Nicole and Duncan Way and great granddaughter Lorell Payne. Elsie's sister Alma McKee of Elmira, and sister-inlaw Gladys (McCurdy) King of

old-fashioned, country music, and fellowship. Get well wishes.

their home with leg problems. Birthday rekindles past

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NORVAL-Get well wishes to

Ken and Velma Ella of Hornby,

who have both been confined to

NORVAL-Following Elsie Mc-Curdy's birthday, my thoughts went back 52 years ago this fall. We farmed on the Ninth Line, half a mile north of McCurdy's whose farm lane went in alongside St. Stephen's Anglican Church on Steeles Avenue. We decided to call and see them one evening, and the one thing impressing me most was their gleaming white enamel kitchen cook stove with the wood box sitting behind the stove. It was filled with wood every night.

I had inherited an old black kitchen stove, you polished up in the morning before you lit the fire with black stove polish. Not only that, but the front lids were warped, so it would rock back and forth, and if the wind blew a certain way it would also smoke. Of course besides heating the kitchen, and cooking and baking, there was a water tank that kept the water hot. Of course you had to keep the tank filled, depending on how much hot water you used. I had a cistern pump at the kitchen sink, just a step from the stove, and our drinking water was at the back door, not far to carry a pail of water in, but Elsie had to carry her water from the barn, which didn't make me feel quite as envious then. However in a few years we too had a new wood-burning kitchen stove, a very important part of the farm kitchen in those earlier years.

MY GENERATION

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Norval delegation at Council meeting

NORVAL-Norval delegation went to council on Monday, May 15, requesting an official secondary plan, for the Hamlet of Norval. Kathy Gastle represented the citizens of Norval and gave the presentation:

"I am speaking tonight on behalf of the citizens of Norval and the Norval Community Association. At this time, the Hamlet of Norval is without an Official Secondary Plan, and we understand Georgetown and the Hamlets of Glen Williams and Stewarttown have one.

"How long have they had Official Secondary Plans? We live in a beautiful village in a river valley but there has been indiscriminate re-zoning, and the residents have had to fight each change, always losing, and finding their homes an island amidst commercial properties. We have to contend with heavy commuter traffic through our village, and we don't need further damage from strip development, that will impede the traffic even more, and, with considerable potential for accidents and fatalities.

"I am here to present a motion from the Norval Community Association that there be a freeze on' any further re-zoning, until there is an Official Secondary Plan for the Hamlet of Norval. Also, we would like as citizens, to have input to any Secondary Plan.

"We need your support so that we can preserve this river valley and its semi-rural setting."



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Pleasing pictures

Terra Cotta resident and local artist Jo Walterson stands beside one of her paintings entitled "Brown Eyed Susans." Hers, along with the work of several local, national and international artists, were part of

the 10th annual Georgetown Y Art Auction held in the Holy Cross Auditorium the evening of May 12. (Herald photo)

Annual spring plant sale on Saturday

As we look back through these spring months of gardening pleasures we wish to extend a sincere thank you to Larry Shenk of Sheridan Nurseries who visited with us in March and gave an informative presentation on rose care and maintenance; pruning and planting of flowering shrubs and their hardiness to our geographic area.

A special thanks to Theresa Kubalus from Burlington who visited us in April and gave a specific demonstration and talk on fresh flower arranging in preparation for our May flower show.

As we continue along our pathway of gardening enjoyment, the month of May views everyone of all ages enjoying the beauty of colorful and aromatic spring flowers and flowering shrubs. The May meeting is our annual spring flower show of spring bulbs and flowers - 8 p.m., Wednesday, May

the Presbyterian Church, Main St., Georgetown.



Lilac time is around the corner so in preparation, our guest speaker is the horticulturalist and gardener from the Lilac Gardens of the Royal Botanical Gardens, Hamilton, who will be speaking on the pruning and care of lilacs.

Please mark your calendars for our annual spring plant sale, Saturday, May 20, 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon. A collection of annual and perennial plants and shrubs both commercially grown from Sheridan Nursery and home grown from members gardens.

The Horticultural Society's Annual Strawberry Social and Flower Sale is on Saturday, June 17 and further details are to follow.

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