Farewell to Ballinafad, Schwartzes say

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It has been a week of farewells for the Schwartz family. Paul and Helga Schwartz are leaving the village to start a new chapter in their lives on Vancouver Island, near the town of Sydney. A personal message from the Schwartzs includes thanks to friends and neighbors for their kindness. Coming to Ballinafad 21 years ago, the family had firmly entrenched themselves in village life. Paul was part of the senior choir and possesses a voice known for its rich vibrance. Helga was president of the Women's Institute and has long term involvement in this group and its wonderful endeavors such as the 4-H club. The Schwartzs have also spent a term on the Hall

Board.

The family says that they will miss the people and will be back for visits.

The Women's Institute had a farewell dinner for Paul and Helga at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernie McEnery. After enjoying a wonderful meal, the evening was spent playing cards and reminiscing. The couple was presented with a book of poems and Helga was presented with a Women's Institute pin. Neighbors and friends had another farewell party for the family.

Another farewell is on the onset with the auction held at Archie and Mary Lawr's on Friday, Aug. 24. The auction is part of the preparations of the family moving from the

village. The happy news to report is that Archie has been home for a week after a stay in the hospital.

Saturday, Sept. 8 is the date slated for the Corn Roast at the community centre. The fun starts at 9 p.m. A D.J. will supply the tunes while the admission price of \$16 per couple will include corn and hot dogs. In order to judge the quantity of purchases, people are being asked to purchase their tickets in advance at the Ballinafad General Store.

The saying "When the going gets tough, the tough get going!" never rang truer for the Jim Dandies on Tuesday, Aug. 22. Due to other commitments and vacations the

ladies were left with a team of only seven players to take on the Random Car Club who totalled 10. Lady luck was riding on the Ballinafad Ladies shoulders as each ball Random hit to the outfield seemed to go directly to one of the only two outfielders. Marion Lumbers pitched a fantastic shutout game that left Ballinafad with a win of 17-0. The ladies carried on the next evening with a win of 17-6 against Club 21. Vivian Bremner's skill as a hitter shone when she belted out a grand slam. Cathy Martin came up with a homerun also. The ladies have ended the regular season play and will be preparing themselves through practices for the league playoffs beginning Sept. 7.

Parking lot for commuters in Milton

The Ministry of Transportation has good news for Milton and Halton area motorists. A new commuter parking lot has recently opened at Highways 25 and 401, Milton.

The lot is situated on the southeast corner of the interchange and will accommodate up to 60 vehicles a day, meeting the increasing demands of commuter traffic.

The use of this let is free and will greatly assist those motorists commuting to and from the Metro area in carpools or share-a-ride programs.







