

Norval News

Farmer Louisa Alexander dies

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Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Louisa Alexander who passed away at the Halton Centennial Manor, on April 13. Dear wife of the late Mac Alexander, formerly of R.R.1, Norval, loving mother of Jean and her husband Gordon Reid of St. Pauls, Jessie and her husband Joel Zuest of Milton, Ernie Alexander of Norval, Margaret and her husband Ron Duncan of Brampton, and Bill and his wife Susan Alexander of Norval. Predeceased by her daughter Mary Lou Robinson-Solechi and her son Douglas. Also survived by 14 grandchildren, and 11 great grandchildren. Dear sister of Frank, Jack, Fred and Newton Ruddell, all of Georgetown, Ann Klaham of California, and the late Jessie Stark.

Louie was in her 80th year, and had not enjoyed good health for the last few years. Following their 50th wedding anniversary in May 1985, and the sudden death of her husband Mac the following December, she continued to live with her son Ernie for another 1 1/2 years before retiring to the Halton Centennial Manor.

However, in earlier years, Louie was a busy homemaker, assisting her husband with their Jersey cows and dairy operation, and was keenly interested in her community and all farm organizations.

She was a member of the old Farm Radio Forum, later Pinegrove Community Club, and hosted week-long Folk Schools for 10-12 young farm people.

Louie could see the value of goats milk for health purposes, and acquired a herd of Saanen goats. Within no time she was selling goats milk to health-conscious people. Her name soon became known throughout the province and northern U.S. as a judge for goat shows.

Louie had an apiary, again for the value of honey as a health food, and opened her own Alexanders Health Food Store in Brampton, which she managed for many years.

Louie, along with her late husband, were members of the Georgetown Agricultural Society, Federation of Agriculture, Jersey Breeders, Brampton Senior Citizens, and always enjoyed a good game of euchre. She was a member of Norval United Church.

Funeral service was from the J.S. Jones and Son Funeral Home in Georgetown, on April 16. Rev. Stephen Bemrose Fetter conducted the service. Interment was in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

Pallbearers were her grandsons, Gary Zuest, Randy Zuest, Donald Reid, Ian Reid, Kevin Duncan and Michael Duncan. Flower bearers were grandsons Brian Zuest and Bill Reid.

Euchre winners

Grace May, a long-time member of Pinegrove Community Club and president elect, was honored at their Monday night euchre party. Vice-president Bill Brander chaired the presentation and with a few well chosen words, called on Kay Wilson to read a short address. Grace will be moving to Sundridge, after spending over 50 years on their farm at Steeles Avenue and the Ninth Line. Grace has been an ardent supporter of the club, and best wishes were expressed by all to a true friend and neighbour.

Prairie Bessey and Irene Hunter presented Grace with a couple of high-back deck chairs with water repellent foam cushions.

Grace's son Dwight, his wife Diane and family Jason and Jenny will be moving to their new home on Highway 24, west of Rockwood Road. Their 1 acre lot adjoins Bill and Sylvia Brain's farm, who were former Ninth Line farm people.

Winners for the seven tables of euchre that preceded the presentation were, Mable Brownlow, Anne Wilson, Irene Hunter and Keith Webb. Lucky draw was Bill Brander, courtesy of Webb's Flowers. Lunch concluded the presentation evening.

Music scholars

Students of Joyce Hutton Studio won four scholarships in the vocal section of the Peel Music Festival, held at Cyril Clark Theatre in Brampton last week.

Holly Verhaegen of Georgetown and Andrea Skeen of Brampton shared the scholarship for the most promising intermediate soloist.

Stephen Teves of Brampton won the St. Lawrence Starch Company Scholarship for the most promising soloist in the age classes. Merry Anne Hutton of Norval won the Lions' Club scholarship for the best Junior Vocalist 14 years of age and under. Congratulations to these promising vocalists. They will be presented with their scholarships on Sat., April 28 at the final concert.

Three-week trip

Hyatt and Charlotte McClure of R.R.2 Norval, have returned home from a three-week motor trip to the west, where they visited with Derek and Carol Reid of Gem, Alberta, and motored on to Calgary to visit with their daughter Mable and her husband Jim Lebo and grandchildren Alaister and Nicole.

Sympathy extended

Lynda Shaw of Huttonville, whose well-being is on the minds of people across a wide area of the province, had prayers said for her and her family at Huttonville United Church last Sunday.

Lynda was last seen when she left her Huttonville home on Easter Sunday night to motor back to Western University at London. When she did not arrive for exams on Monday her classmates phoned her home. Her car was found by police on Tuesday along the 401 near Woodstock.

Her family were anxiously awaiting word on the discovery of a woman's body in a farmers field near the Dorchester Road at press time.

Sincere thoughts are with her parents Carol and Murray Taylor, Windermere, Muskoka, brother Graham and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Collins, both of Huttonville.

Baby girl

Congratulations to Derek and Carol Reid of Gem, Alberta, formerly of R.R.1 Norval, on the birth of their daughter Elisa, on April 9 at the Brooks Hospital, Alberta. A sister for Matthew.

Florida vacation

Bruce and Vera Thatcher and Edgar Thatcher and a friend of R.R.1 Norval, have returned from a weeks' vacation at Bradenton, Florida.

Get well wishes

Get well wishes to Kate Laidlaw of Norval, who is spending a few days in Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton.

Back home

Wilson and Isabelle Fraser of Huttonville, have returned home after spending three weeks at Daytona Beach, Florida.

POWER sale

Don't forget - giant garage sale, Sat., April 28, Public Works Yard, Trafalgar Road. Help P.O.W.E.R. stop the dump. Volunteers needed.

Garage sale

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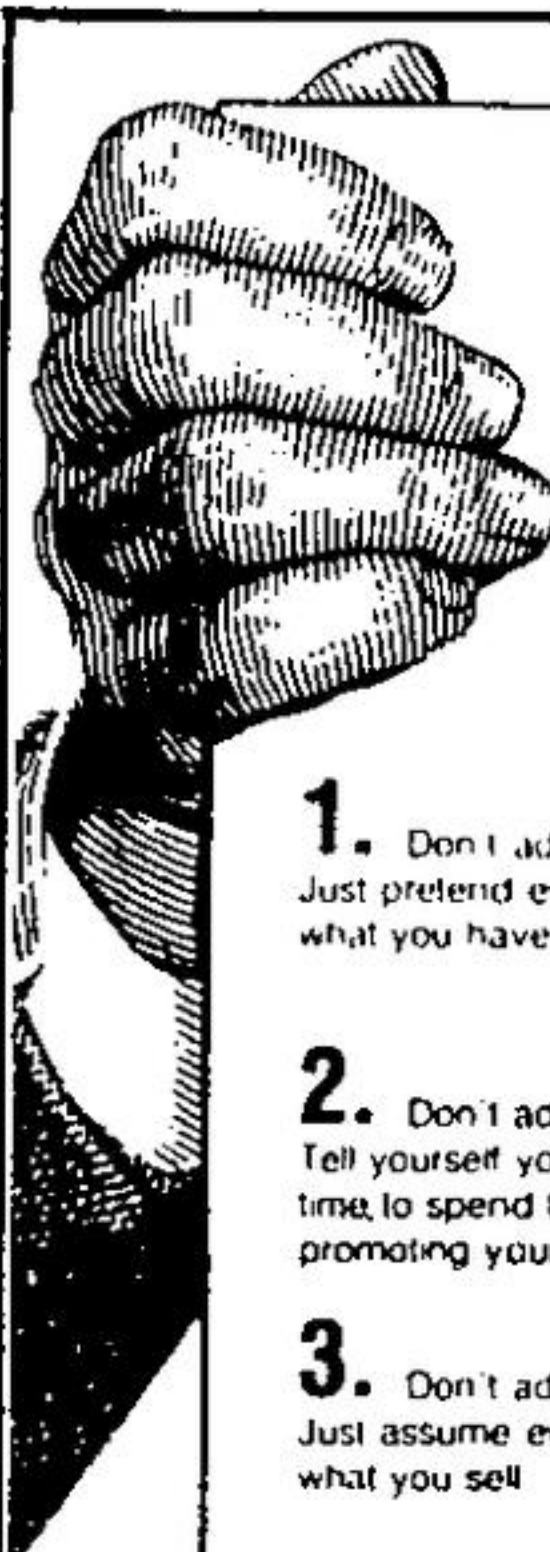
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