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Wedding anniversary surprise party

By KAY WILSON "A Complete Surprise Party" caught Doug and Marie Mc-Callum off guard on their 40th wedding anniversary.

Formerly of (Whaleys Corner) R.R.2 Streetsville, and now of Cameron, Ont., they thought they were going_to a company party in the neighbourhood, but were really bowled over, when they realized the people were there for their 40th wedding anniversary.

The evening was planned by the family, and was held at the Chris Gibson Recreation Centre, Brampton, when around 200 relatives, friends and neighbours attended.

The McCallum's have been retired now for six years but when in business, their door was always open for many commuters with driving problems. "Winter Storm" some 15 years ago, that blocked all roads. found around 100 people stranded overnight, who drank coffee and soup, until Marie's cupboards were bare.

Dancing was enjoyed during the evening, as well as a lot of visiting. A lovely buffet salad lunch was served by the family.

. Cards were received from Scotland, Florida, P.E.I. and Saskatchewan, and many other local areas extending their best wishes.

Many family members from the Ritchie and McCallum families attended as did neighbours from their home now at Cameron, as well as couples from Tara and Port Elgin.

Maple Lodge Family members all enjoyed the evening as did the



old Town Line Euchre Club still playing cards for 60 years.

Doug and Marie thanked all for coming, as well as their family for planning the surprise party. They introduced their daughter Lynda and husband Wayne McHugh of R.R.5 Milton, and five sons, Ken of Toronto; Don and Rose of Brampton; Paul and Shirley of R.R.4 Georgetown; Stephen an Gail of Georgetown and David of R.R.5 Milton.

The McCallum family finished off the celebrations with brunch out on Sunday morning at the Herigate Inn at Milton.

Farmer of the Year

Halton Region Federation of Agriculture Annual Outstanding Farmer of the Year Banquet and Dance at the Acton Legion, Friday, Nov. 30. Social hour 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. Tickets \$15 per person. For tickets call · 877-6620 or 878-2314.

> Report of Brampton West Institute Meeting, Nov. 6

Remembraace was the theme of the Brampton West Women's Institute meeting held at the home of Isabelle McClure on Tuesday, November 6.

Before the official opening of the meeting we enjoyed delicious desserts, and wished both Isobel McKay and Doris Sharpe a happy birthday.

Doris Sharpe played

background music while Isobel McKay read "O Valiant Hearts," then Lois Fraser read poetry by Lorna Hilliard Little, reminding us at what great price our peace was purchased. Let us guard and defend it!

As a roll call, those present brought memories or mementos of their pasts.

The highlight of the day was a talk and display by Marjorie and Margaret McLeod, long-time genealogists, who gave a very interesting and informative capsule comment on tracing family roots, and recording a family history. They began their family search with their father in 1929, and were able to share many helpful ideas and displays, along . with our own Tweedsmuir Histories.

They spoke of the preciousness of one's family name, of the stability of children knowing their roots. They told of origins of some surnames, and of the unfortunate ways some get changed. They invited us to participate with them in regular meetings of Peel Halton Genealogical Society on the fourth Sunday of most months at Chinguacousy Library in Bramalea.

Volume Two of our local history is nearly full, and we have voted funds to continue this valuable work. Microfilms of these local histories are available through our local libraries.



Pictured above, a happy newlywed couple who were married recently at St. Stephen's Anglican Church in Hornby. Formerly of Norval, bride Carole Anne (nee Early) Clifford and husband John Clifford of Brampton. (Photo submitted)

4-H Club activities

By BETTY SOJKA

The 4-H has completed their session. On Monday, December 3rd, starting at 7:30 p.m. the club will meet with other 4-H Clubs in the district at the Bishop Reding School in Milton. Here Ballinafad's chapter will have a display depicting all they have learned in this session of breadmaking. The starting time, and topic of the next 4-H Club has not been determined at this time.

The U.C.W. had a special guest join them at their November 20th meeting. Bringing along her photographs to aid her descriptions, Jennifer Mitchell gave a most entertaining account of the Erin District High School Choir and Band's trip to Germany.

The ladies found Miss Mitchell's recollections most interesting, and the photos showed of some wonderful places. The Devotion was given by Edith Volmar and Linda Mitchell who also provided lunch for the group. Plans are in the works to have their December meeting as a visit to a restaurant for dinner.

Both the Senior and Junior Church choirs are meeting weekly to practice a selecction of special hymns for Christmas. By joining forces with their sister church, St. Andrew's in Georgetown, a wonderful cantata is planned for December.

At their Tuesday, November 20th meeting the Hall Board voted Carl Volmar into the position of Maintenance Coordinator. This will end delays of having work done around the Community Centre. If som thing needs to be addressed it does not have to wait for the Hall Board to meet, before it can be dealt with. Carl's first job was to see that the locks were changed on a couple of doors that had been broken.

Mabel Hoare came to the meeting and presented the Hall Board with the earnings from the recent Craft and Bake Sale. The Hall Board thanked her for her ardious labours. Mrs. Hoare was quick to acknowledge Marlene Burnett and Katherine French, whose collective efforts made the event a rousing success. The monies earned will be put with the Business People's Dance earnings. New tables will be purchased and old ones reconditioned with the earnings. Jim Balley

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also attended this meeting, and gave the Board an update on the work going on at the park.

A gate is to be replaced by the children's playground to prevent cars from entering the park, and some grading has been done on the perimeters of the ball diamond to smooth out the land making it easier to retrieve lost balls. A large portion of the meeting was taken up with planning the New Year's Dance. After comparing various menus and prices it was decided to have hot and cold buffet. Other items discussed were ticket prices, bar prices, and types of party favours. The Hall Board will meet again on Tuesday, December 4th.

Tickets for the New Year's Eve Dance are now available at the Ballinafad General Store at a cost of \$15.00 per person. There will be a cash bar, and D.J. George will delight party-goers with music complete with his light show. The tickets will be sold on a first come basis and there will be no reserving tickets. The dance will start at 9:00 p.m. at the Community Centre on December 31st, and party favours are included with admission cost. A grand door prize of \$100 will be drawn during the evening's festivities, as well there will be other door prizes and spot prizes. Get your tickets early, as a sellout is being forecast.

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