

Community

Milestone reached by Ellen Shipp

By KAY WILSON

The many friends of Mrs. Ellen Shipp of Essex, Ont., will be happy to know she celebrated her 105th birthday on Feb. 1st.

However, Mrs. Shipp has been in the Westminister Hospital, Windsor, with pneumonia, for the last couple of weeks, but returned to the nursing home in Essex on Saturday last. Prior to that, Mrs. Shipp moved 10 months ago from her own home in Essex to the nursing home, and has been enjoying life there. When she was leaving her home, she said, "Remember, if I don't like it, I'm coming back."

Mrs. Shipp, along with her late husband Fred Shipp, were farmers in the Hornby area, some 40 years ago, and made many friends both with young and old alike. Mrs. Shipp coached Norval Junior Farmers plays for the drama competitions. She, along with the late L.M. Montgomery, who was the Presbyterian Ministers wife in Norval, jointly coached the Old Tyme Concerts that were held annually in the Parish Hall at Norval.

Local church people entertained in all types of musical numbers, including step-dancing. Their costumes were the oldest of fine vintage fashions. Those were the days people made their own fun and entertainment.

Congratulations Mrs. Shipp and best wishes for lots of good health to enjoy your next birthday.

First child

Congratulations to Don and Carolyn Crawford of R.R.2 Norval, on the birth of their little daughter, Heather Mary Lyn, 8 lbs., 9 oz. at Peel Memorial Hospital, Brampton, on Sunday, January 27. Proud first time grandparents are Lloyd and Barbara Cook, R.R.2 Brampton, and ninth grandchild for Jack and Mary Crawford of R.R.2 Norval. Proud first time great grand-

Open Door sessions

The closed sessions of the Georgetown Open Door program, which first ran in the fall starts up again this evening (Wednesday) and Open Door Executive Director Vanessa Bell-Smith expects it to be better than ever.

Open Door is a community service group for area teens. It is comprised of two programs, a drop-in centre and a Young Mothers Program.

The closed sessions offer a more structured environment and are an off-shoot of the teen drop in program. As happened in the fall, said Ms. Bell-Smith, the closed sessions which happen Wednesday's 4-7 p.m. will centre on preparation of dinner by the participants followed by a discussion on teen-related issues led by Ms. Bell-Smith.

In addition, Ms. Bell-Smith said the upcoming sessions will also include outings. "The kids are interested in visiting a prison, the Toronto Science Centre and Queen's Park," she said.

The closed sessions, which run out of St. George's Anglican Church provide an opportunity for teens to talk about issues that concern them, and to share how they really feel about things, explained Ms. Bell-Smith.

Topics of discussion during the fall session included living on the street, alcohol and drug abuse and communication within the family, said Ms. Bell-Smith.

The fall program was so successful that the sessions had to be split into two groups, she said. Instead of 15 teens participating 22 became involved, explained the executive director.

For more information concerning any of the Open Door programs call Vanessa Bell-Smith at either 873-2966 or 853-3669.

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parent is Mrs. Evelyn Breadner of Brampton, and 18th great grandchild for Mrs. Verna Somerville of Brampton.

Sympathy extended

Sympathy is extended to the Feikema family on the death of their mother, Marie Feikema, who passed away at the Holland Christian Nursing Home on Jan. 22, 1991.

A Ninth Line neighbor for over 38 years, Mrs. Feikema was born in Achlum, Holland, on Sept. 12, 1927. Following the war, she and her husband Ronald, and two sons emigrated to Canada, and in 1953, settled on Lot 4, 9th Line of (Old Esquesing Township), now Halton Hills.

They farmed until 1962, when they retired to the Holland Christian Homes at Brampton. Mrs. Feikema was a devoted member of the Second Christian Reformed Church, Brampton, and was the oldest member, in her 94th year.

Mrs. Feikema was predeceased by her husband, Ronald, in 1987. Surviving are her two sons Dick and his wife Anne, and Sidney and his wife Hillie, both of R.R.1, Norval. Also survived by six grandchildren, Glenda and her husband Ravi; Ronald; Marilyn; Karen; Joan and her husband Glenn; and Heather. Also one great grandchild, Kate.

Visitation was at the Ward Funeral Home, Brampton, on Jan. 23. Interment was at the Meadowvale Cemetery, Brampton, on Jan. 24 at 1 p.m. A memorial service followed at the Holland Christian Home, Ebenezer Centre. Rev. Homer Sampsonius conducted the service. The sermon was based on Psalm 42. "Hope in God, I will yet praise Him." Pallbearers were

Ronald Feikema, Ravi Aranyasundarin, Henry Dykstra, Glenn Hofland, Siebren Postma, and Henk Westerveld.

Annual meeting

During the morning service at Norval United Church on Feb. 3, Allyson Warner, representing the Halton Adolescent Support Services, spoke on Emergency and Long Term Housing Registry. Allyson went on to say that even in Georgetown, there is a need for kids on the street with no place to go. These particular young people are not on drugs, but because of conflicts in the home are not able to cope. Anyone able to help out for a short time, would be appreciated.

Rev. Walter Beecham conducted the service and inducted the new elders, Fred Paul and Bill Laidlaw. He was assisted by Jean Dunlop, clerk of Session.

Following the service a pot luck lunch was enjoyed followed by the annual meeting chaired by Bruce Reed with secretary Gwen Laidlaw.

Positive reports were heard from all the groups, and a bright outlook is anticipated for 1991. New secretary for the churches fund "In Memorium" is Agnes Miller.

A date to remember - Norval's Annual Pancake Supper at the church on Feb. 12, 6:00-7:30 p.m. sponsored by the Friendship Group.

Enjoyable evening

Ruby and Hardy Barnhill entertained the Norval Women's Institute in their Brampton home on January 25. A most enjoyable evening was had by everyone, playing euchre and Scrabble.

Ruby served a delicious Valentine's desert lunch. A video on the Royal Family was most enjoyable that took in the Queen Victoria era, their families, entertainment, castles and palaces. Many thanks to the Barnhills for their hospitality.



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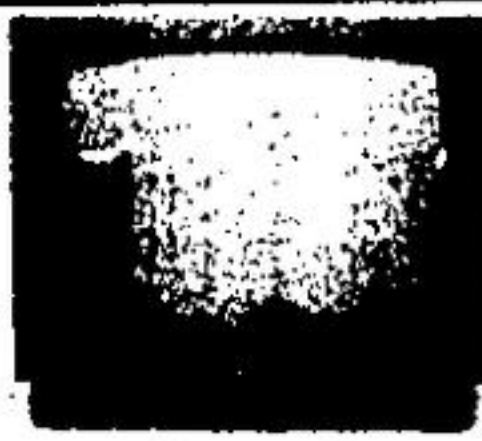
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