

# Community

## Excitement mounting for 153rd anniversary

By KAY WILSON

The weekend of June 1 and 2 members of Norval Presbyterian Church are looking forward to a family celebration for the 153rd anniversary.

The events start with a picnic on the church lawn at 2 p.m. Saturday, with races, skits and fun followed by a barbecue at 4 p.m.

On Sunday, June 2, at 11 a.m. Rev. James Farris will be guest minister, along with the "Choralets", a 40 voice men's choir from the Brampton area.

Everyone is welcome.

### Chicken barbeque

The chicken barbeque of Norval United Church was held last Saturday with 743 hungry people attending. Iva Davidson, with her lovely dinner music and Bonkers the Clown, both added to the evening for old and young alike. Many people worked hard for the barbeque including chairman Brian Evans, who along with his wife Pat and two young sons are moving to Parry Sound.

The Evans were presented with gifts along with everyone's "Best Wishes" at last week's church service.

### Sunday School Picnic

Weather curtailed the outdoor activities for the Sunday School Picnic at the Norval School Sunday morning, following the barbeque.

Left-over chicken and salads as well as desserts were enjoyed. Beautiful quiet hymns and music enhanced the classroom, played by Lois Reid, Fred Paul and Walter Thorndyke on their guitars and accordion.

Beth Laidlaw, superintendent of the Sunday School for the up-

coming year, chaired the service, and opened with the call to worship. Old familiar hymns added to the service. A reading "The Windows of Gold" by Helen Steiner Rice was given by Dorothy McLean.

Bible readings were given by Jan Arnold and Brenda Bryce.

Beth extended special thanks to outgoing superintendent Lynda House, also to Doreen Gostlin, Mary Ann Moffatt, Maureen Wilson, Pat Evans, Bonnie Thurlbeck, Fran Herbert, Brenda Bryce and Jan Arnold, all Sunday School teachers.

Hymn, "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" closed the service.

### Hospitalized

Friends of Phyllis Taylor of Brampton, formerly of Norval, will be sorry to hear she is a patient in Toronto General Hospital.

### Unit meeting

Unit 1 of Norval United Church met for dessert luncheon at the home of Dorothy McLean on May 23.

Following the reading of the poem "Fulfillment" and prayer

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the minutes of the last overall meeting were read and adapted.

Business included: the Annual Bus Trip on June 19 was announced when the Unit will travel to the Women's Institute Home at Stoney Creek, and on to St. George. A report was received from the organ committee.

Marian Laird gave the devotional and opened with the 14th chapter of John, and continued by reading the article called "The Things That Count."

We were also given the sad news from Ethel Webb of the sudden death of Leona Fidler of Milton, formerly of Norval.

The president closed the meeting with prayer.

### Sincere sympathy

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Leona Fidler of Milton, formerly of Norval, who passed away at her residence on May 22.

Leona Fidler, loving mother of Ron Featherstone and his wife Marian of Milton. Loved by grandchildren, Sandi of Burlington, David and Donald, both at home. Dear sister of Sheldon Featherstone of Milton. Predeceased by sisters Maude Lawrence, Freda Hunter, and Jane Bell (Bud Gunby). Funeral service was from the McKersie Funeral Chapel on May 25 at 1 p.m.

Interment in Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

Leona Fidler, a dear mother, beloved grandmother and loving friend to many people in Milton as well as Norval, where she lived for over 30 years.

Leona played the organ in the Norval Anglican Church, as well as singing in the choir. She took an active interest in the community and taught for a number of years in Park School, Georgetown. Leona was a member of the Norval Women's Institute.

She and her husband, Walter, farmed on Winston Churchill Blvd., the farm home later lived in by the late Amy Burke.

Some years later they sold and moved to Norval where they opened a grocery store in the former Chris Grimwood Barber Shop.

Ill health forced them to sell and build a new brick bungalow on the north side of the east hill going to Brampton.

Following the death of her husband Walter, she moved to Milton, but enjoyed getting back and keeping in close contact with her friends at Norval, and when you'd meet her and ask "How she was feeling," she would reply - "Well, I'm just fine, and I'm so thankful for my good health."

Leona was a bright star for many people, who would otherwise be having a cloudy day, 'til she came along.

Leona will be sadly missed, not only by her family, but her many friends as well.

Honorary pallbearers were, Paul Gunby, Ross Lawrence, Kenneth Lawrence and Denzil Lawrence.

Pallbearers were Jim Fiddler, Ron Fiddler, Dwayne Gunby, Charlie Hunter, Ron Moffatt and Peter Featherstone.

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