

Community Special presentation party

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A presentation party was held at the home of Don and Gwen Brander, R.R.1, Norval, on May 27.

The evening was held in honor of Tracy Whitworth and her husband, George Epitropou, now living in Georgetown, who were married earlier this year.

Tracy and her parents Barry and Karen Whitworth have been a part of the Pinegrove Community for a number of years and are now living on the former McGee Farm.

In honor of the bridal couple's recent marriage, close neighbours presented the couple with a set of four oak T.V. trays.

Attending were Barry and Karen Whitworth, Gertrude McGee, John and Jean Brander, Lou and Linda Ricci, Claude McLaughlin and Spencer and Kay Wilson. Unable to attend were Randy and Helen Ricci and Gordon and Peggy Early. Following a thank-you from the couple, lunch was served by the hostess and a social hour followed.

Wedding anniversary

Congratulations to Charlie and Catherine Forsyth of Georgetown who are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on June 15, with an open house, 2-5 p.m. at 20 Hall Road, Georgetown.

Service of Celebration

St. Stephens Anglican Church,

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Hornby, held their Service of Celebration for the Annual Cemetery and Memorial Day on June 9.

Rev. Margaret Murray conducted the service. Rev. Dr. Richard Ruggles of Norval was guest minister, whose sermon dealt with the forefathers of worshippers who rest in the adjoining cemetery.

Rev. Ruggles went on to compare their primitive living conditions with that of today. The lack of medical treatment and doctors, was the cause of many deaths at a very young age.

A lone white tombstone bears witness and tells it all, of the young mother who died in childbirth along with her infant child along a fence line on the old Wilson Farm.

Rev. Ruggles went on to say when relatives came to visit in the olden days, they stayed for days, weeks or even months as they didn't expect to be back for some time. The old kerosine lamps and horse and buggy days have been replaced by the telephone, hydro and motor cars, along with the latest in medical attention. As well, we now take all of this for granted, and abuse our environment.

Mrs. Jay Hogarth was organist and choir leader and led the choir in singing "The Lord Will Be My Shepherd."

The service concluded with the Procession to the Lych Gate of St. Stephens Cemetery, with the hymn "This is My Father's World." Following prayers of Thanksgiving and Remembrance, the closing hymn "Unto the Hills" finished off a beautiful service. A social hour followed.

Baby boy

Congratulations to Jack and Cathy Hamilton, R.R.2 Norval, on the birth of their baby boy, Thomas James Murray, at Peel Memorial Hospital on June 6.

A little brother for Shamon. Ninth time grandparents for Lloyd and Ella Laidlaw, and third time grandparents for Murray and Roberta Hamilton of Lindsay and 15 great grandchildren for Catherine Laidlaw.

Huttonville

Strawberry Festival

Huttonville Strawberry Festival is being held this year in conjunction with the opening of the Brampton City Hall this Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Gage Park, Brampton.

The strawberries are being supplied by the Huttonville Strawberry Growers. The shortcake is being supplied by the United Church, as well, the church members will be tending the booth.



Wedding bells

Brenda Christine James and Clarence Roy (Guy) Spence were married May 8, 1991 in a ceremony that took place at the courthouse in Milton. Brenda is the daughter of Barry and Chris James. Guy is the son of Bill and Betty Spence, all of Georgetown. (Photo submitted)

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Disabled initiatives

The Ministry of the Attorney General and the Ministry of Government Services have initiated a program of converting the province's courts to ensure barrier-free access for people with disabilities. As part of the government's commitment to ensuring accessibility to the courts, new facilities will be sought and existing courtrooms will be renovated. Consultations will be held with organizations for people with disabilities, in determining the necessary renovations.

"The government is committed to protecting the rights of people with disabilities by ensuring their freedom from discrimination in the province's courts," said Attorney General Howard Hampton. "This initiative will enable the ministry to meet its obligations under the Human Rights Code to accommodate the needs of persons with disabilities."

A toll-free number will be promoted this fall to provide information on barrier-free accommodations. The Ontario Office for Disabled Persons will operate the information line and will refer callers to appropriate Ministry of Attorney General staff, responsible for scheduling accessible court arrangements. As well, the Ministry of the Attorney General is seeking the participation of law enforcement agencies in providing notice of the toll-free number and services.

"These initiatives are being undertaken to improve accessibility to the justice system and to respond to the needs of all members of society," said Mr. Hampton.

The Ministry's modernization program is being announced as part of the government's focus on National Access Awareness Week. The week promotes the social integration of people with disabilities, through better access to employment, transportation, education, housing and recreation.

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