



EDNA LEBLANC, centre, was presented with her 40-year pin and a going-away gift by organization convener Julie Conroy, left, and Theresa Matheson, right, respectively at the June meeting of St. Joseph's Chapter of the Catholic Women's League, June 9. Mrs. LeBlanc is moving to Moncton, New Brunswick, to be near her family after living in Acton for 43 years. She has been active in the CWL as social convener for many years. She and her late husband, Art, were residents of Acton since 1955. - Irma Coles photo

Senseless triple tragedy

As family and friends of former Acton residents Wendy Brown and her two children try to make sense of their tragic deaths in a car accident last week, Shelburne police continue to investigate the triple fatality.

While police are confident they'll be able to reconstruct the accident, Trinity United Church Reverend Bob Matton, who conducted the funeral services for Brown, 34 and her children - Melissa, 4, and Johnathan, 2, said we might never be able to make sense of the accident.

"How do you make sense of the senseless?" Reverend Matton asked in an interview on Monday.

"I don't know that we will ever understand exactly why something like this happens. We offer comfort to the family. We offer a sense that they

are at peace and that they are in God's care now."

On June 8, Brown was northbound on Owen Sound Street in Shelburne, heading home with her children, when their Chevrolet Cavalier was pinned under a dump truck hauling a flatbed trailer loaded with stones at the intersection of Susan Street. The children were pronounced dead at the scene. Wendy Brown was pronounced dead at Headwaters Hospital in Orangeville.

At Friday's funeral Reverend Matton said Wendy Brown's family remembered her as a very generous and caring person whom always thought of others and thought the world of her children. Rev. Matton said Melissa and Johnathan, who often came to church with their grandparents, Marg and Don

Dedman of Acton, were bright, cheerful children who loved their family.

Wendy's love of the outdoors was celebrated with the hymn *In The Garden* during the funeral that drew a large crowd of friends, family and co-workers.

More than 60 people attended the graveside service at Fairview Cemetery. Officers from both Shelburne police and Shelburne OPP attended the funerals and Shelburne Police Chief Wayne Squirrel said that mourners continue to lay wreaths at the accident scene.

"All of our witness statements are consistent that for some unknown reason she (Brown) turned left in front of a dump truck," Squirrel explained in an interview on Monday.

Police warn of pills lost here

Halton police are warning the public that a pill bottle containing a narcotic drug was lost by an Acton resident on Saturday. Police report a

Wescott Drive resident told them she had 30 pills of Fiorinal with her when she left her home about 11:45 Saturday morning. The woman shopped at three stores in downtown Acton before she realized that the pills were missing. Police advise anyone who finds the prescription to either turn it in to police or take it to a pharmacist.

Truck taken

The pride and joy of an Acton resident - a 1983 blue, GMC pickup truck - was sto-

len from the driveway of a Greenore Crescent home overnight on May 27. Police report the licence plate of the truck, which has been jacked-up and has a roll bar, is 424 5AS.

Tires slashed

A teacher at Acton High school came out after class on Friday to find that the front tires of his 1989 Chev Tracker had been slashed. The car had been parked at the rear of the school for the day. Damage is pegged at \$200.

LEGION NEWS BRANCH No. 197

As a follow up to an earlier newsletter, the executive of Branch 197 would like to extend a thank you to the members and citizens who helped to plant geraniums on the graves of our deceased comrades in Fairview and Dublin cemeteries and to Comrade Finlay for the coffee and Tim Bits.

Coming on Aug. 15 we will be holding the return to Monkey Golf. Tickets are available at \$25 each which includes 9 holes of golf on the Par 3 course at Blue Springs, a steak BBQ and a dance. This day is set aside as a truly fun only day.

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