

# Some familiar faces in 'Name the Kids' contest

Here are the answers for the "Name the Kids" contest published in the last issue of *Connection 55 Plus*.

These nine photographs of Miltonians in their youth were submitted by local residents for the contest.

Now do these kids look more familiar?

The winner will be announced in next Wednesday's edition of *The Champion*.



**A** June Pinnell



**B** Leona (Featherston) Fidler



**C** Laura Dixon



**D** Edith Joyce and Birdie Heatley



**E** Eleanor Coulter (Coulson)



**F** Helen Jarvie



**G** Verna Callan



**H** Mildred Thomas



**I** Georgina Neave

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## Dig into a new hobby - plant your family tree

By Verna Callan

Be a root tracer. It's the third most popular hobby, surpassed by coin and stamp collecting. Since starting to trace my roots four years ago I now am in possession of my great grandad's birth certificate and his parents marriage certificate dated 1763.

Root tracing is like having the itchy shingles. The rash subsides. You stop scratching. Then a new patch breaks out. In tracing you uncover a new root and the urge to follow that root becomes so intense you find yourself deeply involved all over again.

Researching one's family tree is time consuming and often moves at a slow pace. For me it is sheer enjoyment, a satisfying hobby. It is not necessarily an expensive hobby.

You must learn early to prove your information to be authentic. Many people try to link their roots with those of like names because of wealth, status in the military services or government positions. They are motivated to trace for these frivolous reasons. Not me. My great, great granddad was a shearer in Wiltshire

westbury England and a farmer in Adelaide township, Middlesex County in Canada.

My curiosity was sparked when I visited my 94-year-old father and realized how little he knew of our roots although he came from generations of large families. I find a rich reward in the fact that I will leave for my grandchildren, two in number, the answer to a pertinent question, "Where did I come from?"

As an amateur genealogist you'll become a type of historical detective delving into facts and figures until a true picture of your ancestors emerges. I enjoy all the methods that I use.

Use the following sources to assist in tracing your roots: libraries local and lending, historical groups, archives, birth and death certificates, marriages records and cemetery files.

If your ancestors came across the pond find the nearest genealogical society to the city or town where he lived in Canada. Join that society. You will receive their newsletter and yearly you will be able to make two enquires concerning your ancestor's surname. It is advisable to

trace only one of your root surnames at a time.

To start your family tree:

- Write your name....Kathryn Cardinal
- Your father's name....Thomas Cardinal
- Your mother's name....Jennie Crow
- Father's father....Joshua Cardinal
- Father's mother....Susan Robbin
- Mother's father....Samuel Crow

Mother's mother....Lena Peacock

Your father's father's father (your great granddad) Robert Cardinal

Robert's father was Jack Cardinal (your great great granddad) That is five generations already covered.

When you get along in your hobby, visit the Church of The Latter Day Saints they are helpful in tracing your roots.

### Seniors in demand as housesitters

Senior citizens can keep active and at the same time earn extra money by minding a house.

A company called The Housesitters hires seniors to make visits to vacationers' homes.

Duties vary from daily visits to pet care and babysitting, said Tim Watts, manager of the Oakville/Burlington franchise.

Some seniors become housesitters be-

cause they love pets, children or gardening while others find that housesitting helps them forget or recover from a recent personal loss, illness or accident, added Mr. Watts.

"All our mature adult employees have different reasons for being a housesitter," he said. "Many of our sitters are retirees who aren't ready to stop working yet."

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