

M. P. aids adoption

By Ed Schroeter
STOUFFVILLE — For Magda, her four-year-old daughter, Vanesa, Ercilla and her son Armando, nine months, their new home here is quite a change from their former surroundings.

They're from Nicaragua, the newly adopted family of Jose and Elizabeth Amador, Stouffville Street.

Elizabeth met Jose while she was teaching in Nicaragua, and they moved to Stouffville 13 years ago. The two women were neighbors of Jose's family there.

"We wanted to bring them here to give the girls and their children an opportunity for a better way of life," Mrs. Amador said.

Not only do people in the country have little of our wealth, but because of civil war they have little peace or security, Mrs. Amador explained.

She believes it's important to "share with people" and that "anything you do is returned many times over."

"Our new family has brought a lot of joy into our home."

Contrary to popular opinion, the adoption

process is "long and drawn out," according to Mrs. Amador. It took almost three years to bring the girls and their children to their new home, and caused the Amadors much worry.

The Amadors say they are particularly grateful to federal MP Sinclair Stevens, whose office kept them informed as each step in the process was completed.

The four, who have been here only a week and a half, are suffering from what Mrs. Amador describes as "culture shock."

"They never have been away from home before," she explained. "There are so many changes they are beginning to wonder if anything familiar still exists."

Using Mrs. Amador as an interpreter, the women confessed they're a little "homesick".

Accustomed to a much larger family, they miss all their relatives and worry about their safety.

For them, adjusting to the change in temperature, food and milk is difficult.

As soon as they can get organized, the Amadors will begin



Elizabeth and Jose Amador have recently adopted two sisters from Nicaragua, bringing them and their children to Stouffville to live. The new family consists of (from left to right)

Ercilla, and her infant son Armando; the Amador's own children, Joey and his baby sister Michelle; Vanesa, and her mother, Magda.

teaching the girls English. Spanish is their native tongue.

But for now, if you greet them on the street; or meet them in a store, Mrs. Amador urges you to be "very understanding".

"These people can't communicate. Some get very frustrated and yell at them." She says if you speak slowly, quietly, use simple words and hand gestures, the communication barrier is easily overcome.

Reunion close at hand

By William Giles
Ron Brillinger

What are you planning June 23?

Are you aware that a 25th anniversary reunion is planned for all ex-students of Stouffville Dist. High School?

Have you received a personal invitation?

If your answer is "no" to the latter, then call Linda Wagg at 640-4224 and let the committee know you're coming.

It's essential we hear from you, so we can prepare for the reunion, the dinner and the dance. In one instance, an in-

itation was sent to an address that had changed 20 years ago. The party eventually received it and called all the way from Florida to say he'd be here.

Because our mailing list was incomplete, many former students received no notice at all. For this, we apologize.

A few changes have been made in the

program. Rather than a hamburger barbecue, we are now offering a buffet dinner. Plans for the afternoon and evening follow:

Reunion - 2 to 6 p.m., with the opening ceremony in the gymnasium at 4:30 p.m. Dinner - 5 to 7:30 p.m., in the cafeteria. Dance - 8 p.m. to midnight in the gym.

Prices follow: Buffet dinner, \$4.50 each. Dance

is \$2 single and \$3.50 a couple. A commemorative booklet covering school events of interest from 1954 to 1979 will be on sale at \$2 each.

Remember, for the reunion committee to know in advance of your coming is important. The deadline is Fri., June 1. Please call.

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Late Everett McNelly
Service was held from the O'Neill Funeral Chapel, Wednesday, for Everett McNelly of Stouffville, following his sudden passing, May 21 at the age of 60. Surviving are his wife, the former Kay Herold; two daughters, Barbara Ann Zeller and Brenda; three sons, Bill, David and Randy and six grandchildren. Interment was in Stouffville Cemetery.

D-Day Parade
MARKHAM — The Markham Veterans Association is holding its annual D-Day Parade, Sunday, June 3 from the hall on Washington Street to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. The procession, led by the Highland Creek Pipe Band and Parade Marshal, Tom Clayton, will march off at 2 p.m. The worship, conducted by Rev. Alan Embree, is at 2:30. Markham's Army Cadet Corps will accompany the veterans. Taking the salute will be Brigadier General Graeme T. Gibson, C.D.E., D.S.O., C.D. The A.D.C. is Major Wally West. The bugler is Cpl. Ronald MacDonald. The Association president this year is Charles Mullett.

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