

BIRTHS & DEATHS

CARD OF THANKS, IN MEMORIALS, ENGAGEMENTS.

DIED

DUHAIME, Mark - In Huntingdon on February 24, 1997, passed away Mr. Mark Duhaime, age thirty-two. Beloved son of Hughen Duhaime and Fredericka Demers and brother of Keith, Brent and the late Murray. Funeral service was held at St. Joseph Church, Huntingdon on Friday, February 28 at 2 p.m. Arrangements entrusted to Kelly Funeral Home Inc., 19 Lake Street, Huntingdon.

McCAFFREY, Patricia (née Lawrence) - At the Royal Victoria Hospital on March 3, 1997 in her 65th year. Daughter of Alida Thompson. Wife of James McCaffrey. Mother of Lawrence (Lynn Caza) and Brian. Grandmother of Ann Marie, Margo Louise, Sean Michael, Ryan and Brett. Special Mom to Joyce. Also survived by 4 brothers and a sister, nieces and nephews, family and friends. Resting at the McGerrigle Funeral Home Inc. Ormstown. Visitation Wednesday March 5 from 2-4 and 7-9p.m. Funeral from the Chapel on Thursday March 6 at 1p.m. Internment Bromont Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Women's Auxiliary of the Barrie Memorial Hospital would be greatly appreciated.

ROGERS, Gerald Alexander - In Montreal on February 25, 1997. Gerald Alexander Rogers aged eighty-four years, longtime member of the Chateaugay Valley Historical Society. Beloved husband of the late Marie-Marthe Content. Loving father of George and Jocelyn (Jean-Marie Ferron). Survived by many relatives and loving companion Betty Chalmers and good friend Okill Stewart. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Quebec Heart Fund would be appreciated. Funeral service was held in Montreal on February 28. Interment Notre Dame des Neiges Cemetery.

Peter Dent, 43, dies in V'field

The Valleyfield community was greatly saddened by the sudden and unexpected death of Peter Dent, on Monday, Feb. 10, 1997 at the age of 43.

The funeral service was held at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 15 at Notre-Dame-de-Bellerive Church. Many of his friends and acquaintances attended the service along with family members. He will be laid to rest in the Valleyfield Catholic Cemetery.

Peter was born in Valleyfield and attended Gault Institute, so had many friends in the Valleyfield area.

Although unemployed at the time of his death, he had planned to return to college and fulfill his long-time dream of becoming a teacher.

Deepest sympathy goes to his bereaved family; his dear mother, Amelia Dent Turcott, and his son, 18-year old Mathieu, both of Valleyfield; also his sister, Louise (Gilles Larocque); brother, Richard (Ginete Latour); and his many nieces and nephews.

— E.M.

BORN

It's A Girl! Audrey Gillies is pleased to announce the birth of her first Great Grandchild, Danika Cyndey Victoria was born on February 25, 1997 in Medicine Hat, Alberta. This darling baby girl is the daughter of Jennifer Lillico and Jason Gillies. Great Grandpa Gillies would have been very proud that she was born under his Zodiac sign. We are truly blessed.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Thomas Bye extend sincere appreciation for the many expressions of support and sympathy during our time of bereavement.

The family of the late Darlene Petersen wish to thank relatives and friends for expressions of sympathy at the time of her death. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Norman, Nancy & Robert

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the staff in the Emergency Dept. and on the Third Floor of the Barrie Memorial for the attentive care given to me. Special thanks to Drs. Brissette and Hébert. The dedication and hard work which I saw during my stay have made a lasting impression on me.

Sincerely,
Mary Sherry

Married



Tracy Boon, daughter of Stephen and Gisèle Boon of Hemmingford, and Michael Mesci, son of Frank and Gisèle Mesci of Huntingdon, were married on November 9, 1996 at St. Romain's Church in Hemmingford. The couple are living in Hemmingford.

Obituary

Respected local-history enthusiast Gerry Rogers, 84, dies in Montreal

Gerald A. Rogers, honorary president of the Chateaugay Valley Historical Society, died suddenly at his Montreal home on February 25. He was 84.

A mechanical engineer by profession, Gerry Rogers came to the Chateaugay Valley after the war, as a representative of the firm which bore his name, Merit-Rogers, which specialized in industrial equipment.

Born and raised in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ont. of United Empire Loyalist stock, Gerry became interested in the record of the pioneers who settled this region of south-western Quebec. He became a member of the CVHS in its formative years and served as president in 1970-1971.

His energy and enthusiasm drew many new members to the society, and his particular interest in the preservation of the

record of the first families led to numerous restoration projects of pioneer cemeteries, a work which is ongoing.

Active genealogist

In recent years, interest has grown in family history. Hardly a week goes without a letter received, requesting information about ancestors in the Valley. As C.V.H.S. genealogist, Gerry became increasingly engrossed in tracing lineage, spending day after day in the libraries of the Quebec Family History Society and the Quebec National Archives.

The most recent project of the Society, an investigation of the original settlement at LaGuerre, intrigued him. He attended the CVHS meeting Friday, Feb. 21 in Huntingdon which focused on the findings at LaGuerre. Death claimed him only four days later.

— R.G.



2 x 100 = A super-special birthday party

Mrs. Margaret McNaughton (left) and Miss Eleanor Carson celebrated their 100th birthdays within two days of each other last week (February 28 and March 2, respectively). They were the guests of honor at a joint birthday party on Saturday March 1 for friends, relatives and staff at the Centre d'Accueil in Ormstown where both are residents. The two centenarians were in great form for the celebration; Mrs. McNaughton even played a keyboard selection for the gathering.

(Photo: V.F.)