Rose married John Lamb and they lived in B.C. for a short time. They raised two daughters; Lois and Virginia, and two sons; Brian and Billy. John was killed in a car accident and Rose later married Walter Kulchyski and resided in the Cloverdale and then Selkirk area. They had one daughter Pat.

Tillie married Walter Mazepa, settled in Winnipeg, raised two sons, Fred and Walter Jr. and a daughter Maryann.

Johnny was born in 1917, but unfortunately died soon after in 1920.

Mary married John Rudnicki, settled in Winnipeg and raised two sons, Doug and John Jr., and a daughter Shirley.

Sophie married Nick Malegus and settled on the original homestead with Wasyl and Maria where they looked after their aging parents. They raised a daughter, Linda, and two sons Steven and Richard.

Olga married Bill Charney, settled in Rossdale and raised a daughter, Gail, and two sons, Billy and Larry.

Wasyl and Maria enjoyed family get togethers with their children and grandchildren and would have been very proud of their many great and great-great grandchildren had they been given the chance to get to know them. Ukrainian Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Easter brought the entire family together.

Wasyl died on June 30, 1961 and Maria on July 27, 1963. Their two daughters, Annie and Sophie died in 1997, Anne in July at 88 years of age and Sophie in October at 75 years.

The remaining family is indeed blessed to have such a large family who carry on the legacy of Wasyl and Maria Citulski, many of whom continue to raise their families in the R.M. of St. Andrews.

# Clare, Arthur Cummings by Clare Letendre

In 1821 the Hudson Bay Company and the North West Company amalgamated and the surplus and retiring staff from the HBC's northern posts had the option of coming to "Red River" to settle. They were given a river lot to live on and farm. The lots fronted on the Red River running back two miles, later extending to four miles. The width was in relation to their years of service and their positions in the company.

The St. Andrew's Church area was called "The Rapids". The settlement had twofold benefits. It allowed the ex-employees to make a living farming and to provide the HBC with local provisions for their northern posts. They also supplied a labour pool of casual help referred to as "trip men" to man the York boats. Arthur Clare was one of these men who settled at "The Rapids".

Arthur Cummings was the son of James Robert Clare and Margaret daughter of Hudson Bay Company Chief Factor James Sinclair who was born in Camberville, England in 1827 (now part of London). James studied at the Royal Naval School in London and apprenticed as a clerk on September 8, 1845 at the HBC post Moose Factory on James Bay. He subsequently was posted to various forts, including Cumberland House on the Saskatchewan River which was the HBC's first inland fort. He died at the age of 40, in 1867, while on a visit to England. His widow and two sons survived him: James, later of Prince Albert Saskatchewan and Arthur, who later lived on river lot 22 River Road St. Andrew's. A son Stephen died in infancy.

Arthur married Rosalie MacDonald and had a family consisting of: Margaret Inkster (Rochon), Rosalie Susan (Letendre) mother of Clare Letendre, Elizabeth, James Sinclair, Bessie (Sufron), Charlotte (Reid) and Anne (Park).

Arthur farmed lot 22 where he raised his children. He was municipal assessor in 1913-14, was elected to council in 1916 and later municipal constable for many years.



Clare and Helen Letendre.

His son James (Jimmie) was the only member of his family to remain in the district. He married Ivy Ditchfield and later moved to Henderson Highway where his nephew Clare Letendre and his wife Helen presently live. Jimmie Clare remembered his father telling stories of pasturing cattle in Petersfield and Rosser districts. One incident was of riding a young mare with her foal from Rosser to St. Andrew's via "the Bog" and having to spend one night en route with a local farmer.

Clare Letendre's mother (Rosalie), a school teacher, used to reminisce about the summer days she spent with the Beatons and MacDonalds "swimming in the Red" as it was known. Clare Letendre's recollection of his visits to his grandfather was the

awe the Red River inspired in the grandchildren who were forbidden to explore it alone. Arthur Clare's strict demeanor was wasted on his grandchildren, as they had only fond memories of their visits.

Footnote: James Robert Clare's widow remarried a militiaman, John Allen, living in St. Andrew's. Bill Gessner recalls a story his father told him. "Captain Allen served in the Boer War, and while on patrol with two other mounted soldiers, was ambushed. All three men were thrown from their horses. The other horses fled, but his horse remained and he was able to remount and get back to safety. He was the only survivor. Out of gratitude for saving his life, Captain Allen arranged to have his horse brought back to Canada. The horse spent the rest of its days grazing on what was known as the "Red House lot", river lot 59, south of St. Andrew's Church, with hay being supplied to the horse in winter by the Allen family".

Margaret Allen, widow of James Robert Clare, donated the light fixtures in Old St. Andrew's Anglican Church. On the wall hangs a plaque in memory of her son Stephen who died in infancy.

# Clark, William and Mary by Dayna Clark, B.A.

Between the years of 1996 and 1997 my entire immediate family moved to Petersfield, Manitoba. We are a small and very new family to the area, but I suspect we will be here for many years to come.

My parents William Ernest Clark and Mary Linda Clark nee Lauret were both born in Victoria, BC on April 28th, 1944 and January 19, 1945 respectively. Both were "Army brats" and lived all over Canada, and Europe in my mother's case. They were married in Calgary on May 12th, 1964. I was born in Grande Prairie, Alberta on June 2nd, 1969 and my sister Shelley Lynn Thiessen nee Clark was born on August 23rd, 1971 in Edmonton, Alberta. My father worked for United Farmer's of Alberta Co-op and we moved around the Province of Alberta until, in December of 1981, we moved to Winnipeg and settled in St. Vital.

Both Shelley and I graduated from Dakota Collegiate in St. Vital and hold Bachelor of Arts degrees from the University of Winnipeg. My nephew Jayden William Richard Thiessen was born on October 14th, 1994. Shelley and Jason Thiessen bought a home on Edith Avenue in the Town of Petersfield in May of 1996. I moved to Selkirk in February of 1995 to begin a new job at St. Andrews Realty Ltd. and moved to my present home on Murdoch Drive in Petersfield in October of 1996.

My parents purchased a house on Houghton Bay

Road in Petersfield in January of 1997 with the intention of moving in May 1st of the same year. At this time they were living in St. Norbert and with the threat of the flood, they were evacuated in April 1997. As luck would have it their new home was empty at this time, and they got what was possibly the last moving truck available in the city and headed for Petersfield. Within a few hours of arriving in Petersfield, the entire Netley Creek area was put on 24 hour evacuation notice and needless to say my mother was beside herself. I called the Municipal Office to see what was really happening and they told me not to worry, that the evacuation notice was just a precaution and that they did not expect that it would happen. The area was full of army vehicles, tanks and of course lots of sandbags, and they were ready to spring into action if need be. I assured my mother that everything was fine and that they should start unpacking the truck. We were all lucky to be unaffected by the flood of the century and despite a rocky start, my parents both enjoy life in Petersfield very much. I expect that, after a life of moving every couple of years, they will retire right where they are.

Shelley Clark and Jason Thiessen were married on May 31st, 1998 at Petersfield Memorial Hall. At the time of writing, their son Jayden, age four, attends nursery school at DunHartWood Hall, just north of Petersfield on Highway #8, and his mother Shelley is employed there as a teacher's aid. My parents both continue to work in Winnipeg and I am still employed with St. Andrews Realty Ltd.

# Cotton, Stuart and Marie by Marie Cotton

I did not give a history for "Beyond The Gates of Lower Fort Garry", as I considered us to be newcomers to the area, but now I feel that we are old timers

In 1968 we purchased 20 acres, a house and barn as this was Stuart's dream to own a small farm and maybe milk 25 cows. We purchased 18 cows, milk contract and dairy equipment from Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wallace from Petersfield. So now we were in business. Andrew, our oldest son, was still going to school, but he was very interested in cows, so he was our chief asset. Stuart was still working as herdsman at Selkirk Mental Hospital. In 1971 the rest of the farm, 220 acres at SW6-15-4E, came up for sale, so we bought that from Dave Aime. In September 1971, Stuart had back surgery and was only able to do light chores, but by this time Andrew had left school and was running the dairy herd.

Carol married Neil Sawatzky in September 1973. They moved to Winkler and had two children who are both married.

Diane married Craig Schofield in 1978 and they live on the Norwood Road and also have two children.

Bruce married Dawn Atkins and they live in Selkirk and have three children. Bruce works for the Manitoba Rolling Mills.

Ann Marie, our baby, was two years old when we moved to the farm. She graduated from the University of Winnipeg with a Bachelor of Arts degree specializing in Justice and Law Enforcement. She worked several years at Seven Oaks Youth Centre, the Manitoba Adolescent Treatment Centre. She married Phil Hayek in 1986. They have a son Christopher.

Andrew stayed with us. He bought 240 acres out in the bog, which was good for hay and barley. Stuart decided he wanted to retire, so in 1993 we sold the farm to Andrew. In 1995, we built a house in the Schindler Subdivision, but Stuart continued to help Andrew, as it was too much for him to do alone. The farm was sold in May 1996 to the Steinman family from Switzerland. Andrew moved to a more compact farm in River Hills with his partner Trish Chard. Stuart's main hobby is gardening and looking after his yard.

I am kept busy with the Order of Eastern Star and the United Church Women. We look forward to spending many more happy years in the Clandeboye community.

### Cousineau, Gilbert and Audrey

Gilbert Cousineau formerly of Melocheville, Quebec, is one of five children born to Lucien and Anita Cousineau. Gilbert came to Manitoba in 1968. He was employed as a surveyor with Vettle construction in Gillam, Manitoba. There, he met his future wife Audrey, one of eight children of Wasyl and Mary Baysarowich of Zhoda, Manitoba.

Gilbert, being an apprenticed electrician, acquired his mechanical certificate at RRCC and became employed with the City of Winnipeg. The family moved to Lockport in the summer of 1975. It was here that Gilbert decided he wanted to be self-employed.

Together, Gilbert and Audrey purchased the Petersfield Community Store. They owned and operated the business from 1982 -1987. They then took time off to spend more time with their young family. They built a home on Wavey Creek Road.

In 1992 they bought the Clandeboye Store and operated it for five years and they made extensive renovations in both stores with tremendous support from both communities. Presently, Gilbert is retired. Audrey is postmistress in Clandeboye, having obtained the position when former postmistress Betty O'Donnell retired.

They have three girls. Giselle took a sales and management training through the Seine River School Division. She was Valedictorian and won the General Manager's Award. She continued her studies at RRCC in Sales and Marketing, graduating with honours. She was employed at the Crowne Plaza Hotel as sales co-ordinator for seven years. Presently she resides in Calgary. She is sales coordinator for Korite Minerals, specializing in the Ammolite gem-stone and fossils. Vivian is engaged to be married July 3, 1999, to David Desjarlais. She is presently employed at the Hope Centre. She works with young adults with disabilities. Vivian is active as a paramedic fire-fighter, and public education co-ordinator with the Clandeboye fire department. She was one of the driving efforts for the fire department during the spring flood of 1997.

Susanne is a third year student in Civil Technology at RRCC. She is presently employed with Manitoba Highways and intends to acquire her engineering degree at Lakehead University in the future.

#### The Couture Family by Ed Couture; grandson of Antoine, son of George

In 1871 three Couture brothers came west from Levis, Quebec; Antoine, 1847-1931, Louis and Philip Couture. They came to Winnipeg and from there to Selkirk. Antoine Couture settled in Selkirk, Louis went on to Saskatchewan and Philip went on to Seattle, Washington.

Antoine worked at different jobs around Norway House and Warrens Landing on the boats on Lake Winnipeg. He married Kathrine Kennedy at Selkirk, Manitoba, December 7, 1876. They had eleven children, six boys and five girls and settled at the north end of Selkirk town on Taylor Ave. between Main and Eveline. They raised cattle and horses.

In 1908, Mrs. Couture visited her husband Antoine. She was a passenger on board the *S.S. Premier*, a Lake Winnipeg freighter which was fueled by wood. When the ship docked at Warren's Landing to take on more fuel, the wood was piled in such a way as to block the exit of Mrs. Couture's cabin during a fire that destroyed the ship. Mrs. Couture lost her life at 48 years.

In 1913 Antoine Couture bought a homestead 40 acres north and west of Selkirk.

In 1914, Antoine's three sons Alfred, George and Edgar enlisted in the army and served overseas in France. All three returned although Edgar was badly wounded and died of wounds in 1917 at the age of twenty.



Private George Couture ~ 22 yrs of age - 1914.

George 1891-1976 and Elizabeth 1891-1961 were married in 1924. They had five children, three boys George Jr., Robert and Edgar and two girls, Joan and Eleanor.

In 1928, George Jr. bought the homestead of 40 acres and added more land to the farm. He married Angela and they had six children; Doug, Miles, Marc, Oddette, Patricia and Michele. Marc and Oddette are deceased. Most all of the family live in Calgary.

Robert Couture passed away in 1954.

Ed and Irene Couture have four children; Robert and wife Janet, of Selkirk, Terry of Selkirk, Michele and Ron, of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan and Joane and Marc, of Alaska.

Joan Couture married Alex Peers. Joan's son Sandy works in Winnipeg and lives with his wife and family in Selkirk. Joan's daughter Mary Ann lives in California.

Kris and Eleanor Bell have two sons David and Denis, and four daughters Christine, Cindy, Sandra and Susan.

# Curiston, William and Isabel by Betty Erhart, nee Kirton

My grandmother, the former Isabel MacLennan, was left a widow with 11 children with the passing

of my grandfather Norman Gilbert Kirton in 1922. Those 11 children being:

William (killed in an accident in the blacksmith shop where he worked)

Winford (deceased)

Joseph (deceased)

Mary (Mrs. Neil McRae) deceased

Grace (Mrs. Lawrence Corrigal) deceased

Charlotte (Mrs. Oliver Monkman) deceased

Christina (Mrs. Alton Parker) White Rock, British Columbia

Winnie (Mrs. J. Trottershaw), Winnipeg, Manitoba

Sarah (Sadie) Mrs. Goertzen) Selkirk, Manitoba Loreley (Mrs. Cecil Bonner) deceased

Murdoch (married to Phyllis nee Hollender), Winnipeg, Manitoba

Granny also raised Terry and Allen Kirton as her own sons. In the late 1920's Isabel Kirton married William Curiston, and thus began another phase of her life that saw them living in many different locations in the Clandeboye/Petersfield area.

Some of my fondest childhood memories are of times spent with my family at the farm on the creek in Petersfield. The creek being Netley Creek, and the house being located on the southern banks along #8 Highway and directly across the creek from the "old Houndle place". Though small in size, that house held many family members all the time. Sometimes it seemed that the walls would burst from the numbers it contained. No matter how many of us were there at one time Granny always made sure that there was enough for everyone to eat. Homemade bread, bannock and fresh jams and preserves were constant companions to any meal. Amazingly enough, there was always room enough for everyone to sleep when the time came. I sometimes wonder if we slept cross-wise in the bed to make more room for everyone. Grandpa Will was kept busy fashioning horses for us from saw horses, and whatever else he could find to keep us all out of trouble. Of course, this came after he had finished his own chores on the farm. I remember geese, ducks and roosters being plentiful on that farm, and more than once being chased by a nasty rooster or goose, with Granny taking after the poor creature with her broom. Sometimes I believe that the birds were only chasing after us in self-defense and that we deserved it because of the tormenting we did.

Grandpa and Granny lived in various locations in the Clandeboye/Petersfield area, their final residence being on the SE corner of #9 Highway and Robinson Street, in the village of Clandeboye.

Granny, whose family members came to Canada with the Hudson's Bay Company, was known to

many as Auntie Belle. She was an active member of the United Church ladies organization and she had many good friends in the community, among them Ruby Gamache. After Grandpa Will passed away, her cats Maggie and Jiggs (named after the comic strip) and her dog Blackie were her constant companions. She developed glaucoma, and on more than one occasion, Blackie kept her from danger. Sadly, Granny passed away in 1966.

After the passing of William and Isabel, my uncles, Winford and Joe lived on the property when they were not away working for others in the area. Winford lived in the old house and Joe lived in his own house that he had moved from another location. On more than one occasion, after a few too many sips, an argument would break out between these two gents, and someone would come and smooth things over between them. Two kinder gentlemen were hard to find. Uncle Winford moved to Selkirk where he remained until his passing. When Uncle Joe passed away from cancer, his house was moved to Winnipeg Beach where it became my parents' summer cottage.

Christina moved away from the district at a very young age. She is widowed and lives in White Rock, British Columbia near her family.

Winnie suffers from poor health and lives in a nursing home in Winnipeg.

Sadie lives in Selkirk in the Lions Manor.

Murdoch, my Dad, and my mom, Phyllis now live in Winnipeg. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in December 1995. Until three years ago, Dad and Mom enjoyed an active life and would often drive out to visit and see their old haunts and old friends in the district. Unfortunately, in July 1996, Dad suffered a heart attack and other serious heart problems, and underwent an emergency heart bypass operation within the space of one month. Since then his health has deteriorated and it is only on very rare occasions that he is able to return to the countryside that he loves so much.

Allen married Margo (nee Morrison), they are retired and live in Winnipeg. They were blessed with two sons, Jeff (deceased) and Scott.

Terry is married to Fern nee Johnstone and they live in Selkirk, Manitoba. They were also blessed with two sons, Trevor and Chris. Trevor is married to Paula and they have a son Josh. Chris is still single and is a trainee with Manitoba Hydro.

In June of 1983, my husband, Ron and I demolished the old house where Granny and Grandpa lived and began construction of our new family home

See: Erhart, Ron and Betty MacLennan, Murdoch

#### Dawson, Arthur and Irene by Ron, Ken, and Ralph (Jake) Dawson

Art Dawson was born in Prince Edward Island on January 29, 1900. He farmed on his parent's farm until 1926 when he and his younger brother and two friends started out for Western Canada in a 490 Chev Touring car. They travelled some 14 days before reaching Winnipeg.

When Art Dawson arrived in Winnipeg he worked at the Northwest Fur Farms, which were owned by Hilton MacGregor's parents (they had also come from PEI). While working at the fur farm, Art was introduced to a farm family in the Blackdale area by the name of McLeod. Well one thing led to another and Art came to fancy Irene McLeod, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex McLeod. Art travelled out to Alberta and worked on fur farms but eventually returned to Manitoba and in October 1932, he and Irene were married. They returned to Alberta for a year or so and Art continued to work on a fur farm. They returned to St. Andrews in 1934, Art again worked for the Northwest Fur Farms and Mrs. MacGregor (they were cousins of Art's) loaned him the money to buy lots 44 and 45 in the RM of St. Andrews between Main Street and the River Road as we know it today.

Now this was in the depression and times were tough but Art and Irene were determined and hard working. As well as working at the fur farm, Art was able to break the land and, with some help from the McLeods and MacGregors made a start. Art purchased a used boxcar and made a house and a home from it.

Art and Irene had five sons: Robert Dawson born 1934 (deceased 1999), Kenneth Barry Dawson born 1938, Ralph (Jake) Kent Dawson born 1946 (twins), Ronald Keith Dawson born 1946, William Francis Dawson born 1951.

Art worked for the Manitoba Rolling Mills during the Second World War as a blacksmith and also continued to farm. After the War, Art farmed in the summer and worked for Abitibi Pulp and Paper in the Sioux Lookout area of Ontario during the winter months. This enabled them to purchase a John Deere "A" tractor and a plow, which Art used to do custom plowing. In 1953 he purchased a Pull Type Cockshut Combine and started custom combining. With his oldest sons Bob and Ken assisting they were able to purchase a second combine in 1956: a brand new International Combine. They were combining up to 800 acres per year.

Art kept returning to his trade of blacksmithing and between 1957-59 he worked on the construction of the Manitoba Hydro Steam Plant in East Selkirk. Between 1959-1961 he worked as a blacksmith for INCO at Thompson, Manitoba.



Art and Irene Dawson.

Art returned to the farm and again worked for the Manitoba Rolling Mills doing custom work for them from his own shop. During all of these years, Art and Irene Dawson worked shoulder to shoulder and raised five sons who, with the exception of one, live in the RM of St. Andrews. Bill and his family presently live in North Carolina. They instilled a work ethic and strong sense of integrity in their sons, which has served each of them well.

Art continued to farm until his death on October 18, 1982, he never did return to his native Prince Edward Island. Irene passed away March 11, 1985.

#### Dear, Sid and Mary by Helen M. Shewchuk

Sid and Mary Jane Dear purchased land 19-13-4 around 1918. Sid came from England and Mary Jane from Scotland. They met and married in Winnipeg and resided in Oak Hammock raising four sons. Herb Dear married Arlene Bailey. They have resided in Calgary for over 50 years and had four sons.

George Dear was born and baptised March 13, 1919 and died in 1919 (cholera epidemic). We have been told that Sid and Mary Jane were so sick with the epidemic that when their infant passed away Mr. Bill Chamberlain came to the house and removed the baby. The Chamberlains and Dears lived five miles apart.

Samuel Dear married Sigga Bell from Hecla Island in 1941. This was the same year Mary Jane died from diabetes complications.

All of Sam and Sigga's children live nearby. They have one daughter Mary Louise Lazarenko and three sons Eddy, Barry and Laurie. Sam and Sigga are now deceased.

Lorne Wilfred Dear married Margaret Bell from Hecla Island. Note: two brothers Sam and Lorne married sisters Sigga and Margaret. They were married in 1946 at St. Thomas Anglican Church, Lockport.

Lorne and Margaret had nine children. They resided at 19-13-4 until Lorne's accidental death on October 11, 1984. Lightening struck the tractor tire and Lorne died that night. His grandson Doug, was severely burnt and continues to have corrective surgery. Lorne is buried in St. Matthew's Anglican Church cemetery, Cloverdale beside his son Wilfred (Willy) who died in a house fire April 28, 1973 aged 17.

Children of Lorne & Margaret Dear:

Helen Margaret was born in 1946 at Selkirk General and was named 'Helen' for Helen Truthwaite who married Lorne Sutherland. Helen Truthwaite was Lorne and Margaret's maid-of-honour and assisted in the delivery of Margaret's first child, Helen. Helen was baptized at St. Andrews in October 1946 and confirmed at St. Andrew's May 26, 1960. She attended Earl Grey School in Oak Hammock. The poem 'One Room School' describes well the Dear's at Earl Grey School. We had a Dear in every row (every grade). We walked 21/4 miles (one way) to school and ate many a frozen sandwich at lunch. Helen attended Selkirk Collegiate (now Selkirk Junior High)and later married Norman Shewchuk at St. Andrew's on November 17, 1962. Norman hails from Thalberg, Manitoba. We purchased the corner lot at Lockport Road and Highway #8 in April 1965 from Doreen Snell but the property was owned by Sid Dear and we live there still.

We have three children; Dennis born 1963, Lee-Ann born 1964 and Doug born 1965. They all attended Mapleton, Lockport and the Comprehensive Schools. Dennis married Charlynn Seitz in 1983 and has one daughter Charna Ann born 1985. They were divorced in 1989. Dennis was remarried to Cheryl Kreviazuk in 1994. Cheryl had a daughter Jamie-Lynn born in 1985. Dennis and Cheryl have a daughter Amanda Victoria born 1991. They reside in St. Andrew's at 5439 Main Street. Both Jamie-Lynn and Amanda attended St. Andrew's and Lockport School.

Lee-Ann remains single but has active contact in

St. Andrew's with her Real Estate career. Lee-Ann was active in 4-H. Perhaps Irene Foster remembers the horse 'Watson'.

Doug was born in 1965, the year we moved out here. Doug and my dad (Lorne) did everything together over the years. It was a very close bond, right to the end. Doug has lived with Paula Arruda for the last ten years. Paula's daughter Ashley is 11 years old and Doug and Paula have one son Shawn Norman Shewchuk born June 30, 1991. They reside in Winnipeg and Shawn attends Lord Nelson School. When Shawn stayed with us for a few months he attended St. Andrew's Community Club skating.

Helen received her school bus license in 1978 and has driven bus for Lord Selkirk School Division to date. I spared for 2 years – drove Happy Thought catchment area for three years and when Charlie Gessner retired in 1983, I took over his double busrun to St. Andrew's School. I enjoy my job, the bus parents, St. Andrew's staff and school, the bus students and working with the L.S.S.D. Perhaps a good ending to my story is best described in the last verse of the poem 'One Room School'.

"We learned of life, We learned endeavour, But most, we learned to live together."

Lorne and Margaret's youngest son Gary William Dear married Roberta Keller in 1989 and purchased the land described as 19-13-4 from our mother (as she remarried, Gord Smith, and now resides in Winnipeg).

Gary now has a new home at the homestead and two sons: Devren Lorne and Mitchell Adam. His address is 6621 Highway #8. The land has been in the Dear name since at least 1918.

Lorne & Margaret Dear's children: Helen Shewchuk (as listed), Shirley Woycheshen lives in Selkirk, Jayne Dear lives in Winnipeg, Lynda Forman lives near Selkirk, Johnny Dear lives in Manigotogan, Willy Dear died April 1973, Teri Kuindersman lives in New Jersey, Howie Dear lives in Lockport, and Gary Dear lives on Highway #8.

Many thanks to Barbara Gessner for your gifted interest in history. We attended Sunday School together and were confirmed together – our paths went in different directions. Its nice when our paths cross from time to time.

### Dolenuk, Andrew and Maryanne

Andrew and Maryanne Dolenuk originally came from the Tyndall and Beausejour area. Andy built their house on Davidson Road in the spring of 1974 and in September of the same year, he and his family moved into their new home. Kristopher was eight months old at the time. Their second son Matthew

was born in 1983. Both boys attended the St. Andrews, Lockport Junior High and Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary Schools. Kris played baseball and Matt played soccer and basketball through the years. Kris graduated from the University of Winnipeg in June 1997 obtaining his Bachelor of Education degree. In September of 1997, he was a substitute teacher in the Lord Selkirk, Agassiz, Seine River and Seven Oaks School Divisions. In August of 1998, Kris went to Saudi Arabia to teach in an international school. Matt is presently in grade ten. Both boys played in the Junior and High School Music Bands.

Andy worked for the Manitoba Telephone System and Maryanne was, and is still, a homemaker.

#### The Doty Family

After many years of living in Saskatchewan and trying other areas in Ontario, the Doty family, consisting of Robert (Bob) and Marion (Gwen) and their two children, Jeff and Carol-Ann, decided to settle in sunny Manitoba. Our introduction to this life was Winnipeg in the Transcona area. This was not enough of a farm life so the family decided to hobby farm in rural Manitoba. On May 2, 1972 Bob and Gwen and son Jeff, then 12 years of age and daughter Carol-Ann, 15 years old purchased a lovely three bedroom ranch style home on 17.5 acres (NW9-15-4E) in Clandeboye, Manitoba from Mr. Nick Penner. This was the beginning of a wonderful adventure in building, landscaping, and gardening.

Bob's career encompassed most of this time as an owner/operator long haul trucker. Gwen worked at the Petersfield Hotel and as a homecare worker for several years. Gwen was also the primary caretaker of the property and of course of the children. Being truly a pioneer, Gwen in the first year or so in her new home, during a particularly dry season, and being advised by Bob to have no fires outdoors, decided she couldn't stand the buildup of garbage. Being very stubborn by nature, she thought, what could it hurt? If Carol-Ann and her visiting friend could look after a controlled fire, while she gathered things together, she would organize a garbage burn. This pioneer almost burned down the homestead; however, we managed to regain control of a grass fire and garbage fire all at once. With a little help from the neighbors and a little heck for the girls, we saved the day and our home.

Bob and Gwen and the children were involved in the community as members of the curling scene, 4-H-Leaders in Beef Club, St. Andrews AG Society, Horse Club, etc. for a number of years. Jeff and Carol-Ann attended school in the area and in 1975 Carol-Ann married Myron Bell. They are the proud parents of four children: Kenneth, Tanya, Jennifer and Diane. The Bell family reside in Fort McMurray, Alberta. Jeff married in 1985 to Chris Panas and they are the proud parents of two children: Brooklyn and Brandon who reside in the community. In 1998, Bob semi-retired and started a new career path in the community and opened Bob's Tilling and Mowing Service.

After many years in the community Bob and I have noticed changes and development. Many new faces now exploring and living in rural Manitoba. The homestead, after many years and lots of work and tears is like a park to us. The house itself has been substantially upgraded and an inground pool and deck added. This provides much entertainment for friends and family and the grounds, garden, and play areas provide much pride and lots of vegetables for Bob and me and those with whom we share.

#### Dunlop, A. R. (Sonny) and Joan

The A. R. (Sonny) Dunlop family moved to St. Andrew's on April 23, 1973. Sonny and Joan bought the Hardy farm 13-13-3E, a half mile west of #8 highway at 47 Dunlop Drive. We farmed the 220 acre farm for twenty-three years.

We chose this area to live in because we wanted to raise our children, Darin and Dawn on a farm and Sonny could commute to his job at Red River Community College teaching electrical.

We had a mixed farm raising chickens, a few head of livestock, and and growing wheat and barley. We had a large vegetable garden that we enjoyed too.

Joan was a homemaker for the first years on the farm. Since the farm house (built in 1967) was not finished, she helped Sonny design and paint the house. She harvested the garden produce, enjoying pickling and making jams. She also helped Sonny with the farm work, often driving the tractor during hay season.

In 1975 she decided to do some substitute teaching in the Lord Selkirk School Division. Joan went to the University of Winnipeg in the fall of 1976 and began teaching grade one at Happy Thought School in September 1977. The next year she went to teach at St. Andrew's. She has taught children in grades one, two and three at the St. Andrew's School, enjoying the excitement and satisfaction of teaching younger children to read. Joan completed her Bachelor of Education in 1982 and is currently teaching grade one at St. Andrew's.

Sonny and Joan were very involved with the Community Club, holding several offices. Sonny was president and the sports director for several years. While he was president, the organization and construction of the arena was accomplished. He was very involved as a sports director and coach in hockey and baseball. He enjoyed working with the young people very much and spent many hours at the St. Andrew's Community Club. Our family are now honorary lifetime members of the Community Club.

Joan volunteered her time in the canteen and was a member of the Figure Skating Club, helping to get the CFSA established.

Our family are members of the Little Britain United Church, where our children attended Sunday School and a few summer Bible camps. We both held offices on the church Board and the UCW.

Our son, Darin Roy (born March 9, 1967) enjoyed his life on the farm in St. Andrew's. He attended St. Andrew's School, Lockport, and the Regional Comprehensive School in Selkirk, making many close friends with his classmates. Darin played hockey and baseball at the St. Andrew's Community Club and played Junior B hockey with the Selkirk Fishermen. Sports was a big part of his hobbies, including golf as well as enjoying farm life. He learned to hunt ducks and geese with his dad. He still tries to come home every fall to a family goose hunt with his dad and cousins.

During the years 1985-1989 he went to the University of Manitoba and received his Bachelor Degree in Industrial Engineering. During the summer months he held several jobs working at Skinners, Half Moon, Tomczak Enterprises, and refurbishing the Rectory at St. Andrew's with Lower Fort Garry. After his third year of engineering he went to Rimbey, Alberta to work for Chevron Oil as a summer student. After graduation he moved to Slave Lake, Alberta working for Chevron Oil. He has since moved to Edmonton and Calgary working mainly in the Gas area.

Darin married Belinda Morris in June 1991. She worked as a nurse in Slave Lake and Edmonton until their first daughter, Rebecca Josie was born on May 26, 1993, a first grandchild for both families. Their second daughter, Kirsten Paige was born on November 1, 1994. They moved to Calgary in the spring of 1995. They are currently living in Brisbane, Australia where Darin has accepted a three-year position with Santos Oil.

Our daughter, Dawn Marie (born July 7, 1969) enjoyed her years on the farm. She loved the pets; a pony, our two dogs, Sandy and Brandy, and our mother cats and kittens. She attended the same schools as her brother and made many close friends. She played baseball, ringette, and figure skated at the St. Andrew's Community Club. She also skated at Seven Oaks, Selkirk, and the Highlander Summer

Skating School. She enjoyed skating a lot and did some coaching at St. Andrew's too.

During the summer she worked at Skinners Wet and Wild and at the Association for Community Living in Selkirk. After grade twelve she attended the University of Manitoba receiving her Bachelor of Arts and then she attended Red River Community College to receive a certificate in Developmental Service Worker. After graduation she worked with a special child at a Winnipeg Day Care.

She married Mark Pugh in July 1993 and they moved to Killarney both working at Ninette at the Pelican Lake Training Centre. They moved to Ninette and had their first son, Thomas Cooper Moyle on July 5, 1995, a first grandson for both families. A second son, Jackson Maxwell Roy was born on February 14, 1997.

They bought a house in Wawanesa in the summer and made many friends in the community.

Dawn worked in Brandon for a few months. She was offered a full time position in Swan River in October and so her family moved to Swan River in November 1998 where they currently reside.

We sold our farm in the spring of 1996 and built a new home on Thoma Drive in Lockport. Joan continues to teach at St. Andrew's and Sonny teaches at R.R.C.C. He had developed a program for trades training of Hutterite people. We are actively involved in provincial and federal politics.

We have enjoyed raising our children in St. Andrew's. In future we plan to spend our retirement years in the St. Andrew's area because of the friends we have made.

# The Einarson Family by George Einarson

John Einarson was raised by his Uncle John and Aunt Ingoeldur Henry's family. In 1935 he married Clara Jefferson of the Netley district. They farmed north and east of Petersfield along the Netley marsh, just north of the Henry homestead, which is now owned by Alice Fisher. Here is where they raised their five children.

John worked at many jobs besides farming. These included fishing on Lake Winnipeg in winter, on the DEW line, Mental Hospital in Selkirk, and also the Manitoba Rolling Mills. He also served for years on the Petersfield School Board and was chairman of the school board for many years. Both he and his wife Clara were active in community living and activities. Both were honourary life members of the Community Club. They were also very active in the Seniors Club and arranged many trips for them. Clara was also a 4-H leader for years. Their car was always ready to take kids to the beach

for swimming or to baseball, hockey, curling or any other activities their family was involved in.

The oldest daughter Marin married Frank Fryza of the District. They now live in East Selkirk and have raised three boys and have three grandchildren. Anne married Stuart Pruden of Clandeboye and they live along Wavey Creek on the property once owned by Stu's grandfather, Tom Pruden. They have two daughters and two grandchildren. Tom now lives in Cudworth, Saskatchewan and has two children. Paul married Evelyn Smolinski and they have three sons and one grandchild. George now resides in Petersfield and lives in his parents' retirement house in town. George is also very active in the curling and community club. Clare now lives in Tudor House in Selkirk.

## Ellison, Merle and Alice by Alice Ellison

We live on a farm at the NE quarter of 12-17-3E in the RM of St. Andrews. This farm was homesteaded by my grandfather Wasyl Hawrysh. I was born and raised on the farm and then on October 12, 1957 I married Merlin Ellison and we have resided here since then. My Aunt, Mary Lowe nee Chic delivered me on the 2nd of May 1939, right on this very spot. Seems my dad Alex Hawrysh, then councillor of St. Andrews, Ward 6, was at his regular meeting, so it had to be a Tuesday, and couldn't be reached. My Aunt took it upon herself to bring me into this world. Needless to say, we have a special bond.

My mother was one of 12 children whose parents were Fred and Annie Chic. My dad came from a family of six and we often thought of having a family reunion – it boggles one's mind as to how many would attend.

Merle's family comes from Teulon, where the Mill and Hatchery were prime sources of income. Born on the 16th of September, 1937, Merle is the son of Roy and Anne Ellison. His dad was the Mayor of Teulon for many years. We met at High School in Teulon. I was 14 when I left home. I lived with a German family, Leo and Wanda Jeske, for the three years I attended high school. I was Class Valedictorian and received the Readers Digest Award, which at that time was quite a feat.

Merle worked for the Toronto Dominion Bank in Teulon, was later transferred to the St. Vital Branch. I taught school for a year at Union Prairie in Inwood where I lived with Steve and Stella Monaster. I then ventured to Winnipeg to work at the Royal Bank at the corner of Portage and Edmonton. What a change from snakes to sidewalks and glitter.

When my dad became ill in 1962 we made the choice to come back to Melnice and help, if we could. Dad passed away in February 1963 and we suddenly became farmers!! We raised all kinds of chickens, as many as a thousand, including broilers and laying hens. We shipped eggs to the hatchery and some even went to Ontario in case lots to a mining town, usually with only ten or so broken.

On April 30, 1959, our son Blair was born and on January 5, 1963 a daughter Maureen. Dr. Goodwin delivered both children. What a man he was!!

We had many difficulties in our first years of marriage and when I think a generation back, I can scarcely relate the stories to our grandchildren and realize they really did occur. Heating water on the stove for everything, clothes, dishes, bathing, you name it. No toilet facilities, only the famous 'slop pail'. We worked hard, sometimes never seeming to get anywhere and then, in 1971 Merle got a temporary position at the Manitoba Rolling Mills which lasted 26 years and thus changed our lives.

We always looked forward to spring as winters were hard. Once the snow banks were as high as the telephone poles and we walked on top to the Range Line Store owned by Helen and John Wawryk. The road was never opened till spring and we and all the neighbours went through our farm to Highway # 8.

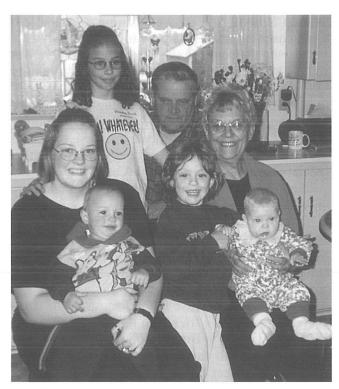
Blair attended Melnice school for his first three years of education. Then the great amalgamation of schools came and the Evergreen Division was formed. Maureen started at Winnipeg Beach and they were both bussed to Gimli for high school.

I sought employment at Winnipeg Beach and a wonderful man, Bill McGregor gave me a job and taught me many life and job skills that you couldn't attain in any business college. Merle retired in June of 1997 and I still work just a day or two a week for Ethel McKenzie-Reykdal at her little shop in the former McGregor's Drug Store building.

Our children live close to us and so our grand-children are close enough to spoil. Blair married Cheryl Johnson in 1984 and they have two daughters; Saveja born September 11, 1994 and Monique born December 21, 1998.

Maureen married Sig Trautwein in 1998 and they have a son Tyler, born July 6, 1998. Maureen also has two daughters from a previous marriage; Chelsey Anne, born February 20, 1984 and Ashley Marie, born June 1, 1988.

The years and community have been good to us. This farm, as I said before, has a very special meaning to me, as I was born on this spot I stand on. We have made lasting friendships and hope to be around for a while. Integrity, sense of humour, commit-



The Ellison Family

ment, honesty are some of the things passed on generation after generation and are a legacy I hope we can pass on to our family.

#### **Erhart, Ron and Betty**

My family and I moved to the village of Clandeboye in August of 1983. We chose to build our home here, at the corner of #9 Highway and Robinson Street, on the property that once belonged to my grandparents, William and Isabel Curiston.

Construction of the house started in June 1983. When I left on a Friday night to pick up our daughter Jan at the International Peace Gardens where she was attending Band Camp, there was nothing but a concrete slab on the ground. When we returned on Saturday evening, all the inside and both sets of outside walls were standing. What a surprise! The following weekend, the roof was sheeted and shingled, and the windows and doors were installed. Since we were doing most of the work ourselves, many long days and nights went into the house, but by August 1983, we were able to move into the house. Jan was able to begin her Grade 8 school year at Lockport School.

Our daughter Janice Marie (Jan), born January 7, 1970, was a true "city girl", and thought that we were the meanest parents on the face of the earth, when she found out that we were going to build in the country. It was so far away from her friends, the roller rink, and everything else she liked to do as a teenager. She had so many excuses for not moving —

nothing to do out here, no friends, no way to get around to do anything. However, she quickly adapted to her new surroundings, and I certainly chalked up the miles those first years. I put more miles on my car than I had the whole time I had been driving in the city. The age of sixteen was very special for her. She got her driver's license, and she met someone who would go on to play a very special part in her future. After a night in Selkirk with girl friends she came home and announced she had met a really cute guy and she would like to see him again. She did, the next weekend, and many more weekends after that. Tim Chanas was that very special someone. They dated for awhile, and then, Tim was hired by Manitoba Hydro. Unfortunately, the job took him to Gillam, Manitoba. It became obvious to her Dad and I that Tim was someone special. In June of 1990, after many weekend visits to the north, Jan moved to Gillam to be with Tim, attend school as a mature student, and complete her Grade 12. We are forever grateful to him for making this important stipulation. Tim worked on the Limestone Generating Station. In June of 1991, Jan graduated with honours. All this time they had been living in Sundance, a Hydro village. The village was shut down and they moved to Gillam. In February 1994, Tim proposed to Jan and in July of the same year, they returned to Clandeboye to be married. They remained in Gillam until 1996 when Tim became ill and they were forced to move back south. When it was determined that the move would be more or less indefinite, they decided to buy a house. They purchased a little house on the corner of Second and Robinson in Clandeboye where they live with Turbo the cat.

Ron's dad, Henry, lived with us for a time, and soon became resident gardener, landscaper, berry picker and preserver – often growing enough to feed the entire village. "God Bless Him", he loved the garden and flowers and we graciously left that to him. He enjoyed his coffee breaks with the other "old-timers" – Harold Thurston, Robbie Aime, Roy McNabb and Frank Philpot, being some of the regular participants in the sometimes-heated discussions in the Clandeboye Coffee Shop. Fall would come, the geese would begin their winter migration, and so would Dad. Off to Texas he would go for the winter. After several years of this routine, Dad met a wonderful lady, Myra Hooper, someone near his own age, and decided that he would prefer her company to ours. They moved to Winnipeg where they resided until his passing in July of 1995.

Ron and I remain in the house in the village with no desire to move back to the city. Ron is extremely busy with his roofing and construction business. At first his work took him to many northern locations where he did work for Hudson's Bay Company Northern Stores, and also on his own. He now tries to remain closer to home. The thought of a year or two away from home at one time no longer appeals to him. He was also part of the construction of the beautiful new kitchen at the Community Hall, and also put in many hours on the last renovations that took place there, as well as having served on the Hall board for a number of years.

I just keep busy at whatever. I returned to school in 1994 to study computer accounting and also obtained my Grade 12 diploma the same year. After being out of school for almost 35 years, it was no small feat and I surprised a few others and myself by accomplishing this.

Fall at the Erhart's brings about the conversion of our garage from a parking place to Santa's Workshop, where the construction of new projects for the annual Christmas yard display takes shape for another year. It has become a challenge to Ron and I, and now Jan and Tim, to see what we can do to improve our display from one year to the next. We are forever on the lookout for new and better ideas. Last year we managed to outdo television's Tim the Toolman Taylor from Home Improvements. When Ron turned on the lights he blew the circuit breaker (too many lights), so it was back to the drawing board. Happily, he solved the problem and the display worked without any further hitches. Our display is constructed as a labour of love and is our gift to the children and adults in the community.

See: Curiston, William and Isabel MacLennan, Murdoch

## Eyolfson, Steven and Sandra by Sandra Eyolfson

Steven Conrad Eyolfson, the youngest son of Wallace and Dorothy nee Page Eyolfson of Riverton, Manitoba, was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba on May 14, 1958. In 1963 the family moved from Winnipeg to Riverton, Manitoba where Steven was raised and attended school. Steven, in addition to helping on the family farm, also worked for Renewable Resources and for Erickson Construction prior to apprenticing in the electrical trade. After receiving his journeyman status as an electrician, he worked for various companies in Winnipeg, Haines Junction, N.W.T., and Bissett, Manitoba before returning to Winnipeg in 1984 and working for C.P. Rail. On November 4, 1985 Steven began working for McCaine Electric of Winnipeg and is still employed there as an electrical foreman/estimator.

Sandra Louise Eyolfson, the daughter of Victor

and Alice nee Bolduc Mc Nabb, was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba on October 19, 1948. The family moved to Berens River, Manitoba in December of 1952 where Victor was employed by the Manitoba Government as a Game Warden. Growing up in Northern Manitoba, going to school by boat in summer and horse sleigh or bombardier in winter and flying with her Dad in his plane, were great experiences that will always be remembered and treasured. In 1961, the Mc Nabb family consisting of Victor, Alice, Linda, Sandra, Nadine, Vickie, and soon-to-be-born Cameron, moved to Bissett, Manitoba were they remained until the next posting to Riverton, Manitoba. Sandra attended school at San Antonio High School in Bissett and then on to Selkirk, Manitoba for Grade 12. After various jobs throughout the years including fire watch on the forestry tower and sundry clerical and banking positions, Sandra has been employed with Revenue Canada for the past thirteen years.

In October of 1969, Sandra married Harvey Kenneth Bostrom (son of Joe and Norma (Meade) Bostrom) of Manigotogan, Manitoba. On April 11, 1972 Damon Roland was born, followed by Michelle Allison Renee on February 22, 1974.



Back row – Brady and Quinn Eyolfson. Front row – Jody, Sandra, Steven Eyolfson and Michelle Bostrom, November 15, 1999.

Sandra later married Steven Eyolfson of Riverton, Manitoba and on June 14, 1979, twins were born; Steven Brady and Joshua Quinn. Jody Vanessa followed on July 24, 1981. In 1984 Steven and Sandra moved from Bissett to Clandeboye, Manitoba and set up their mobile home in the Schindler subdivision. In 1988 we purchased the Mc Nabb homestead at SW4-15-4E in Clandeboye from the Office of the Public Trustee when Roy Mc Nabb

passed away. After renovating and adding on to the old house we moved in and here we remain. All of the children attended and graduated from Wm. S. Patterson, Lockport and Selkirk Comprehensive schools.

Damon Roland Bostrom and Natasha Edna June, daughter of Glenn Herbert and Yvonne Alice nee Rosky Maxon of Selkirk, Manitoba, met in 1992 and were married September 11, 1999. Damon is a journeyman electrician and is currently employed with Comstock, working at different locations in Manitoba. Natasha is employed with Johnston Group in Winnipeg in the disability claims department. They have built a home in Petersfield, Manitoba.

Michelle Allison Renee Bostrom became employed with the Federal Government in 1998 as a Canada Customs Agent and is currently posted to the Emerson Border crossing. She lives in Winnipeg with her boyfriend Marc Raymond Leveque, the son of Raymond Leveque and Heather Zebinski, and commutes to work in Emerson daily.

Steven Brady Eyolfson, after trying out the plumbing trade initially, finally decided to join the electrical trade and is currently employed as a Electrical apprentice for Johnson-Collins Electric in Riverton, Manitoba. He resides at home in Clandeboye between working at Riverton and in various locations in Northern Manitoba.

Joshua Quinn Eyolfson started work in the butcher business at Clandeboye Meats but is now an Electrical Apprentice with Wescan Electric. He lives at home in Clandeboye with his girlfiend, Avery Dawn, daughter of Ronald Vernon and Gloria Ann nee Smith Keats of Winnipeg, Manitoba. Avery was employed by the Selkirk Veterinary Clinic in Selkirk, Manitoba but now works for Puratone in the barns on Petersfield Road.

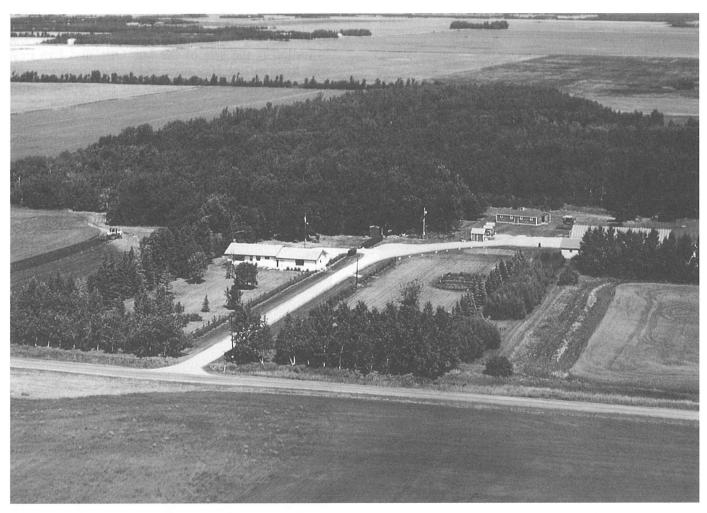
Jody Vanessa Eyolfson graduated in 1999 and resides at home. She has also recently joined the Puratone Farms on Petersfield Road.

#### The Fedoruk Family by George Fedoruk, Vivian Andrews, and Nellie Fedoruk

George and Maria Fedoruk from Rossdale, and Mike and Nellie Fedoruk bought a half section farm (S1/2, 29,14,4E) in 1943 from Ray Ferguson. Mike and Nellie moved to the farm, in Meadowdale, in 1944 with their children Vivian and George.

In 1961 Vivian married Wayne Andrews from Selkirk and they made their home in Winnipeg. They have two daughters, Kimberly and Jaclyn.

George married Darlene Linklater from Cloverdale and they have one daughter, Stacey. In



George and Darlene Fedoruk's Farm - 1999.

1996 Stacey married Brian Harrison from Stony Mountain and they have one son, Sam Fedoruk Harrison. They presently reside in Stony Mountain.

George and Darlene bought the farm in 1976. Mike and Nellie retired that same year but still lived



Fedoruk Farm Home - 1944.

and helped on the farm. Mike passed away in 1982 and Nellie then moved to Winnipeg, where she still resides.



Back row – Brian Harrison, Nellie Fedoruk, Wayne Andrews, Kim Andrews, Darlene Fedoruk. Front row – Vivian Andrews, Sam Harrison, Stacey Harrison, George Fedoruk.

George and Maria Fedoruk.



Mike and Nellie Fedoruk - 1950.

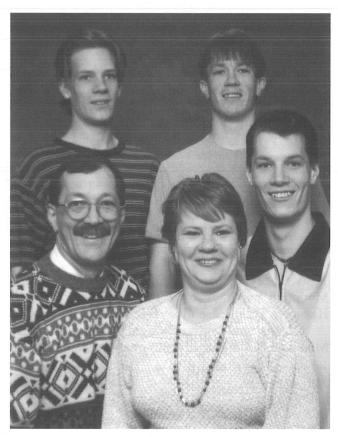
## Fey, Allen and Louise by Louise Fey

Allen is the son of the late Otto and Eva Fey who lived at Lot 103, now 1617 Main Street N., in the R.M. of St. Andrews. They, the Fey family, came to the R.M. in June 1941 from Selkirk, Manitoba.

Allen attended Peguis school from September 1941 to June 1947 when he left school to work in the family plastering and stucco business.

Allen and Louise married July 4, 1953 and we spent the first 21 years living in Selkirk. In 1972 we bought our 160 acre grain farm at NW 12-14-4E from Thomas Linklater.

We have four children; one daughter and three sons.



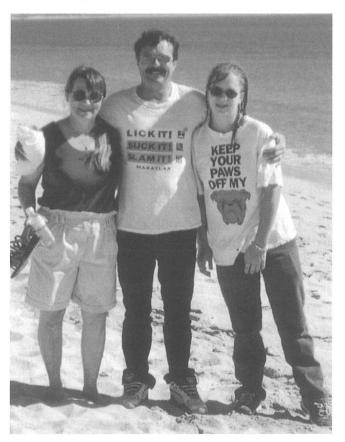
Back – Paul, Matthew & Daniel. Front – Frank and Eva (Fey) Travess.

Eva Mae was born March 9, 1953 in Winnipeg. She received all her education in Selkirk. Eva was a highland dancer; one of the originals taught by Janice Laing. Eva married Frank Traviss September 11, 1973 in Selkirk, Manitoba. They have three sons; Daniel, born 1975, Matthew, born 1978, and Paul, born 1982. All the boys were born in Edmonton. Eva works as a night auditor for three hotels in Spruce Grove, Alberta and Frank works for a company that services oil rigs.

Bryan Wayne was born June 1, 1954 in Selkirk

and educated in Selkirk. On August 4, 1973 he married Agnes Lavalle. He has worked at Mandak (car crushing Company)for 25 years. They have one son and one daughter; Gary Ian, born 1974 in Selkirk. Gary and girlfiend Leah Pichon have two sons, Cameron Andrew Otto Fey born October 3, 1993 and Adam Allen Fey born May 7, 1997. Nancy Dawn, born 1977 in Selkirk. Nancy and boyfriend Destrey Loutit have a son Sean Wayne Loutit born May 20, 1998 and a daughter Kaitlin Dawn Louise Loutit born May 16, 1999.

Gordon Allen, our middle son, was born June 3, 1956 in Selkirk. He also received his education in Selkirk. Gordon works for Molsons Brewery as a brew master. He has worked there for twenty years and before that he worked for Selkirk Linen Services as a mechanic. Gordon was the first male highland dancer in Selkirk. On January 23, 1982, he married Nadine Jenkins and had a daughter Toni Marie born October 18, 1982 in Edmonton. In 1984 he divorced and raised Toni. In 1986 they moved to Millet, Alberta where he met his girlfriend Leona Madison. This is where they now live.



Toni Fey, Gordon Fey, Leona Madison - Mexico - 1999.

Robert John was born August 23, 1957 in Selkirk where he was educated and graduated from school in 1975. At age 9 he became a bagpipe student under teacher Neil Sutherland. Robert was an



Back row – Robert & Kathy Fey, Frank and Eva Travess. Front row – Kelly, Travis, Sheena Fey. Celebrating Frank & Eva's 25th Wedding Anniversary.

original member of the Kiwanis Pipe Band. Life is strange because Neil Sutherland was the piper in W.W.II in the same unit that his two great uncles served. On July 4, 1981, Robert married Kathy Traviss. They have three children; Sheena, born July 20, 1985, Travis, born August 11 1987, and Kelly Robert, born July 5, 1990. All were born in Edmonton, Alberta. Robert is a journeyman in ReBar and works for a construction company in Edmonton. Robert still pipes for various functions in and around Edmonton. Kathy works for London Drugs.

In 1990 we first met Allen's American cousins, Leroy and Idella Fey of Ashley, North Dakota. As I was searching for Fey relatives, we had come across the name – Fey Inc. John Deere dealer – in Ashley, North Dakota. Allen's sister, Wanetta Abbott, and her husband Jerry asked me to make a family chart of all the ancestors I had and send it to them as they would go and investigate this Fey Inc.. They arrived in Ashley and walked into the dealership and asked for Mr. Fey. Now Leroy said he could not be related as he had found all his relatives, but Wanetta was not to be put off and produced the chart where, upon close inspection, Leroy found the Feys common ancestor. The poor man was blown away. Within 48 hours, Leroy and Idella were sitting in our kitchen inspecting our books, etc. The next day my other family researchers, Lenore Dodds and Alfred Kuhnle, were here plus other family members.