

Hunting Accident Seriously Injures 17 Year Old Boy

Jack Sills, 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Sills of R.R. 2, Stirling was seriously wounded by a 22 calibre rifle last Saturday afternoon in Marmora Township.

The incident took place along the Old Mine Road south east of the Village of Marmora about 2 p.m. on Saturday afternoon.

Several of the boys had been camping in the area over night and the following day were on a hunting excursion.

Robert Derry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Derry of Marmora was walking along the roadway with the rifle when he tripped or stumbled and the rifle discharged. The bullet ricocheted off a rock or some such object striking the Sills boy just below the right eye.

He was brought to Dr. Par-kin's Office and then rushed by ambulance to Belleville General Hospital and then on to Kingston where his condition is list-

ed as fair.

The O.P.P Detachment at Marmora investigated and have ruled the incident as accidental.

MARMORA HERALD

27 MAY 1970

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Marmora Family Has Narrow Escape

Considerable excitement was stirred up at the Laundromat building apartment on Sunday around noon, when Mr. Cecil Bennett heard cries for help at the back of the Laundromat building.

He went down the driveway to see what was wrong and looked up to see Mr. Myers lying half-way out the door on the second floor landing calling for help.

At the same time Harrison Steenburgh heard the cries, and arrived on the scene. Bill MacKenzie was just on his way home from church when he noticed the commotion and arrived on the scene. Mrs. Myers and her three children were found in a semi-conscious state throughout the apartment.

Dr. H. G. Parkin was called and the victims were moved to the back room on the kitchen

floor and the door kept open to let the fumes out.

Marmora Fire Dept. answered the emergency call and oxygen was rushed to the victims to aid their recovery.

The 3 children, Sharon Bobby 4 and Gordy 8 along with Mrs. Myers were carried out by rescuers down the back stairs and over to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill MacKenzie where after they had more oxygen a rest soon started to recover.

Upon investigation, it was found that the furnace pipe was out of the wall and had allowed the carbon monoxide fumes to seep upstairs.

It was indeed fortunate that Mr. Myers was able to reach the back door and cry for help; it could have been much more serious.

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6 DEC, 1972
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Man Making Recovery

A Marmora Township man, Vic Neal, 50, is making a satisfactory recovery in Belleville General Hospital from injuries suffered on Thursday evening about 5 p.m., when he became entangled in some farm machinery.

Mr. Neal was working alone at the time when somehow he became caught in a power take-off and would have been drawn into the machine if his clothes had not given way. He managed to free himself and staggered to his home where

his wife and daughter Penny ran to help him.

Mrs. Neal wrapped him in a sheet and drove with him to Dr. H. G. Parkin's office in Marmora, then on to Belleville General Hospital, where he underwent a three hour operation which included some skin grafting.

With the assistance of kind friends and neighbors, Mrs. Neal and the children have been able to cope with the farm chores.

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22 AUG 1973

SECTION 2

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Teen remains in serious condition

Douglas Shipman, 18, remains in serious condition in Belleville General Hospital after suffering third degree burns to his legs and second degree burns to his back and hands in an accident at his brother-in-law's garage on Highway 7, in the east end of Marmora Village on Saturday evening, Oct. 7.

In order to make repairs to a car about 11:30 p.m. that evening Stan Madigan, the garage owner, drained the gas from it into a container on the floor. Somehow the gas was spilled, some of it splashing into the pants and shoes of Douglas who was standing nearby. An unknown customer, who later disappeared in the confusion, lit a cigarette and dropped the match in or near the puddle of gas which ignited and Douglas became a flaming torch.

Because the family moved recently to Marmora they were not aware of the nearest hospital facilities until they contacted the O.P.P. in Madoc. An ambulance was dispatched and Douglas was taken to Belleville Hospital where he was in the Intensive Care Unit for most of last week.

It is expected Mr. Shipman will have to undergo large areas of skin grafting later.

Mrs. Madigan, his sister, reports this is the third accident in the past two years for Douglas.

Suffers facial burns

A Marmora woman received severe facial and other burns in a freak accident a few days ago.

Attending an after-wedding party in honor of Jim and Grace Wakely at the home of Cec and Teresa Bell, Evelyn was watching while one of the guests demonstrated how to set fire to alcohol.

Evelyn turned to walk away when the guest put the cap (which somehow was still on fire inside) back on the bottle, causing the bottle to explode. It severely burned Evelyn's face and left side.

She was taken to Campbellford Hospital and was later transferred to Peterborough General Hospital for skin-grafts.

MARMORA HERALD

17 Oct 1973

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Youth, 17 shoots himself

A 17-year-old Marmora youth accidentally shot himself in the shoulder Friday around 1:30 p.m.

Pierre Murphy, of Lot 11, Concession 9, Marmora Township, just north of Deloro.

He had been enroute from his residence to a boy friend's house, and was carrying a loaded 22 repeater rifle. He stumbled and fell, the gun going off in the spill, and the bullet lodging in his left shoulder.

He managed to make it to his friend's house, was taken to Dr. H. Parkin of Marmora for first aid, and was then taken by ambulance to Belleville General Hospital where the bullet was removed.

Pierre, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Murphy, said he hadn't realized the gun was loaded. He had it with him because he and his friend were going to go hunting Saturday morning.

The boy's father, Clarence Murphy, reported to the Marmora Herald, Monday evening that his son was a very lucky boy and was making satisfactory progress. He expected his son would be home from hospital in two or three days.

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28 Nov 1973

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Lightning hits man at bottom of mine pit

A Havelock man was struck by lightning last week at the Marmoraton Mining Co., near Marmora.

Ray Foster, of 22 Ontario St., was operating a bulldozer at the bottom of a 600 foot mining pit when the incident occurred.

According to Mr. Foster, the bolt resembled a broken wire falling. It struck the blade of the bulldozer and travelled through the machine to the hoist lever. Some of the energy was absorbed by the ground as the blade was down when the lightning struck.

He was thrown back into the seat and, after being unconscious for a short time, drove the bulldozer to the mining office to report the occurrence.

He was immediately taken to Dr. Don Holdcroft in Havelock and is still under his care.

Although Mr. Foster was not burned, he did suffer the symptoms of severe shock and is now being treated for pressure behind his eyes.

Mr. Foster counts himself as a very lucky man, as this is the second time he has been struck by lightning and lived to tell the tale.

The first time was when he was a small boy and a bolt struck the home of his parents. It was discharged through the refrigerator just as he opened the door. He was thrown across the kitchen and received a severe burn to his side.

MARMORA HERALD

9 APR 1975

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Trenton youth falls to death

A 19-year-old Trenton youth plunged 25 feet to his death in the open pit at the Marmoraton Mining Company on the outskirts of Marmora last Thursday morning.

Dead is Gerald Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mills, of Trenton.

The youth was engaged in the dismantling of a rail line formerly used to guide ore cars from the bottom of the mine to the surface when the mishap occurred.

No one appears to have seen what caused him to slip while clamping a rail to a cable for hoisting to the surface by a crane.

He was pronounced dead at the scene of the mishap by Coroner Dr. H.G. Parkin, who said an inquest will likely be held, but no date for the inquest has been set.

Mr. Mills is survived by his parents and four brothers--Brian, Douglas and John, of Trenton, and Bill, of Toronto.

He was employed by Quinte Marine and

Salvage Co., of Belleville.

Capt. George Swaddling, of the Salvation Army, conducted the funeral service from the Weaver Funeral Home in Trenton. Interment was in St. George's Cemetery, Trenton.

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28 MAY 1975

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Marmora man shot in foot

An RR 2, Marmora man was taken to Campbellford Memorial Hospital with foot injuries Sunday after the shotgun he was carrying accidentally discharged.

Kenneth Gordon Bonter was walking south on the Crowe Lake Road, 1.5 miles west of Marmora, when the accident occurred.

He was accompanied by Gary Ralph Thompson, also of RR 2, Marmora.

Bonter was later transferred to Peterborough Civic Hospital where surgery was performed late Sunday evening.

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24 SEP 1975
PG 1

Two accidents

On Wednesday, October 5, at 7 a.m., the village of Marmora truck was involved in an accident at the corner of Matthew and Forsythe Streets.

Leonard Lotto of RR 2, Newmarket, was eastbound on Matthew Street in a 1978 Kenworth tractor pulling two trailers when the village

truck, driven by Garnet Brownson pulled out of a private drive in front of Lotto. The village truck then attempted to turn north on Forsythe Street and was struck by Lotto. No injuries were incurred and damage to each vehicle was \$1,000.

Brownson was charged with failing to yield the right of way.

On Saturday night, at approximately 10:40 p.m., Gordon Quinlan of RR 2, Stirling, was apparently southbound in the southbound lane at 70 km per hour in a 50 km per hour zone. He failed to stop at the stop sign on Main Street and skidded through the intersection striking a barrier.

Quinlan suffered minimal injuries and was charged with over .08 blood/alcohol level.

MARMORA

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12 OCT 1983

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Tragic accident

By Beverly Reid

A tragic accident occurred Wednesday, July 9th, at noon, as Charles James Brooker, 62, of R.R. 4, Marmora and Clarence James Duncalfe, 68, of 12 Ranney Street North, Campbellford crashed through the wooden barrier at the swing bridge on Saskatoon Avenue South.

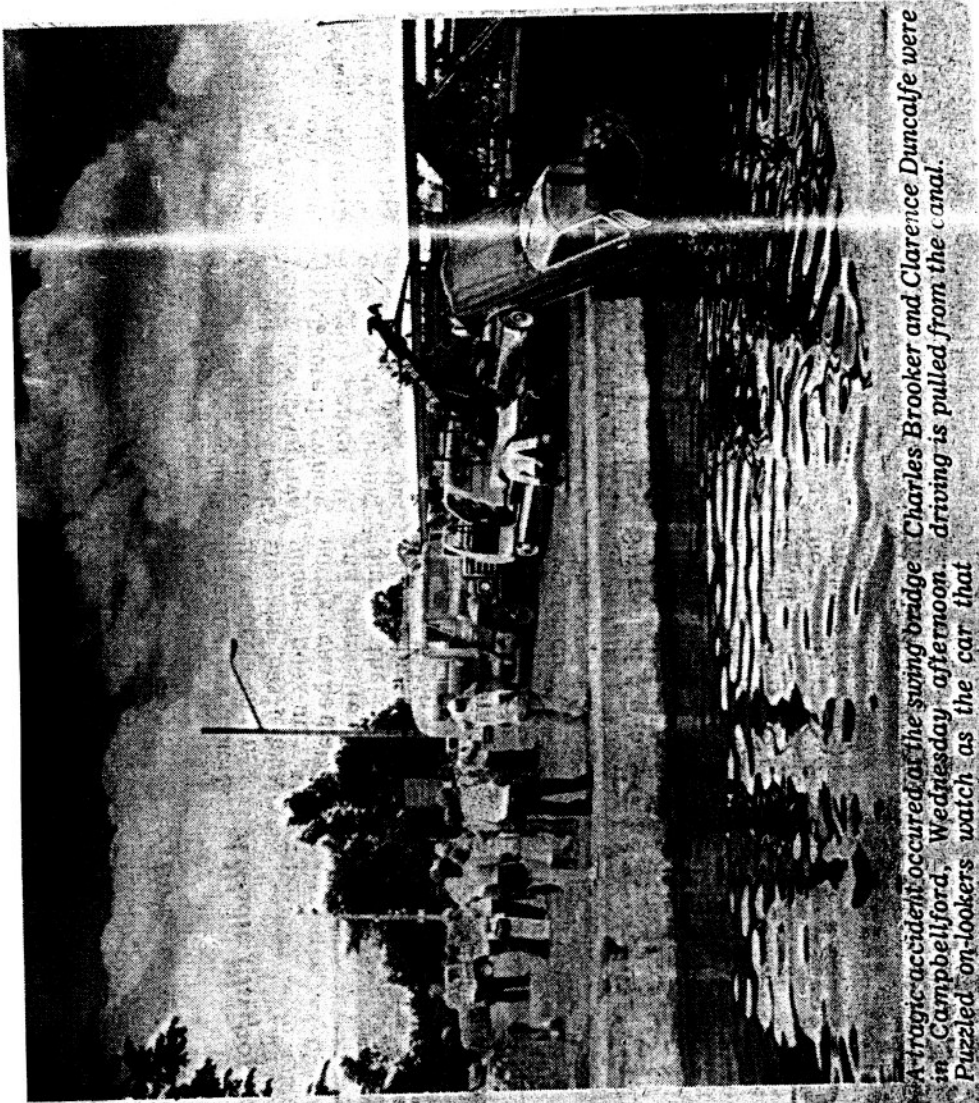
Despite the efforts of all the Trent-Severn Waterway, Southern Area Head Office employees - Brian Wawrykow, Operations Supervisor; Lionel Adair, Maintenance Supervisor; Ken Robertson, Diver; and Suze Bennett (a summer student), who dived in to try and rescue the two men trapped in the submerged car, 8 to 10 feet below water. Both men were pronounced dead on arrival at Campbellford Memorial Hospital.

Brian Wawrykow said he was in his office when he heard the crash. 'It was such a shock that we all ran to the area and jumped in'. Stewart Stanley, a boater from Belleville was passing through Lock 11/12 when he saw this happening and also jumped in the water to rescue the men.

Witnesses at the scene of the accident have told police that the bridge was open to allow boat traffic through, and the two men were driving along watching the boats and they just drove through the barricade (that was working properly at the time).

The bridge area was investigated, but, the police said, 'what else could they have at that location to warn people - there are signs, flashing lights, and a barricade with bells when it is down'.

Some of the older people in town may remember Clarence Duncalfe as 'Knifer' Duncalfe. In the 1940's, Duncalfe was a foot patrolman for the town police, for many years when George Hardy was Police Chief in Campbellford.



A tragic accident occurred at the swing bridge. Charles Brooker and Clarence Duncalfe were in Campbellford, Wednesday afternoon. driving is pulled from the canal. Puzzled on-lookers watch as the car that

MARMORA HERALD

16 JUL 1986

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Single vehicle accident kills Marmora man

A single vehicle accident one kilometre north of the village killed a Marmora man early

Sunday morning, Madoc OPP report.

The fatality occurred around

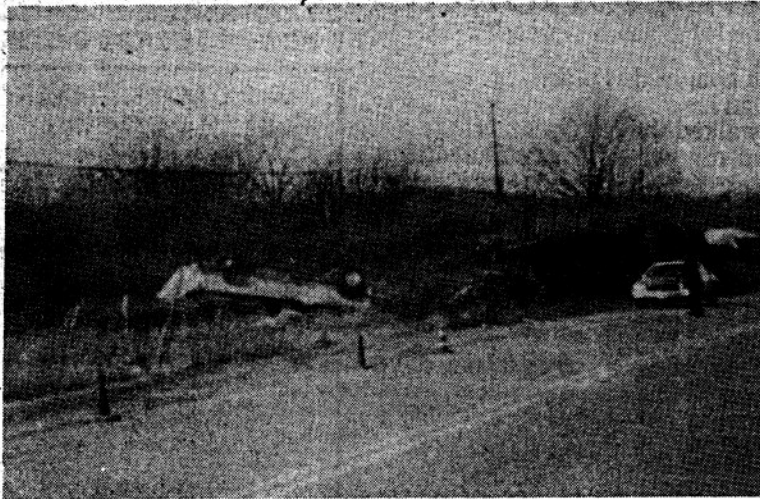
6:30 a.m. when a 1984 Ford Pickup, driven by George Parsons, hit an icy patch on County Road 3, went out of control, landed in the West-bound ditch and rolled over.

The Parsons' vehicle was northbound at the time of the accident.

Parsons, the lone occupant, was not wearing his seatbelt and "was thrown quite hard from his vehicle" explained investigating officer Constable Marie Seed.

Seed further explained that Parsons received no broken bones and "died of a ruptured heart."

Parsons, 30, of RR1 Marmora was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident.



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8 Nov 1989
PC-1

Serious accident involves seven local teachers

by Nancy Powers
 serious multi-vehicle acci-
 dent near Oak Hills involving
 Marmora teachers
 in the loss of one life and
 several serious injuries.

According to Belleville OPP
 accident occurred along
 Hwy 14 south of Stirling
 approximately 4 p.m. on the
 slippery evening of

accident resulted after a
 southbound vehicle driven by
 Bush, RR4 Stirling,
 failed to turn left on to River
 Road. A second north-
 bound vehicle following the
 vehicle then passed on
 the right. A third northbound
 vehicle, driven by the
 deceased, Shirley Wilson, of
 Belleville, braked, lost control,
 crossed the centre line and
 collided with a southbound
 vehicle driven by Gayle Ketch-
 eson of Madoc. The Ketcheson
 vehicle was then struck from
 behind by a second southbound
 vehicle driven by Wendy
 Fox of Belleville.

One of the seven Marmora
 teachers were taken to Belle-
 ville General Hospital (BGH)
 for treatment.

Wendy Fox, a grade one teach-
 er at Earl Prentice was subse-
 quently transferred to Kings-

ton General Hospital with seri-
 ous injuries. She is currently
 listed in serious condition.

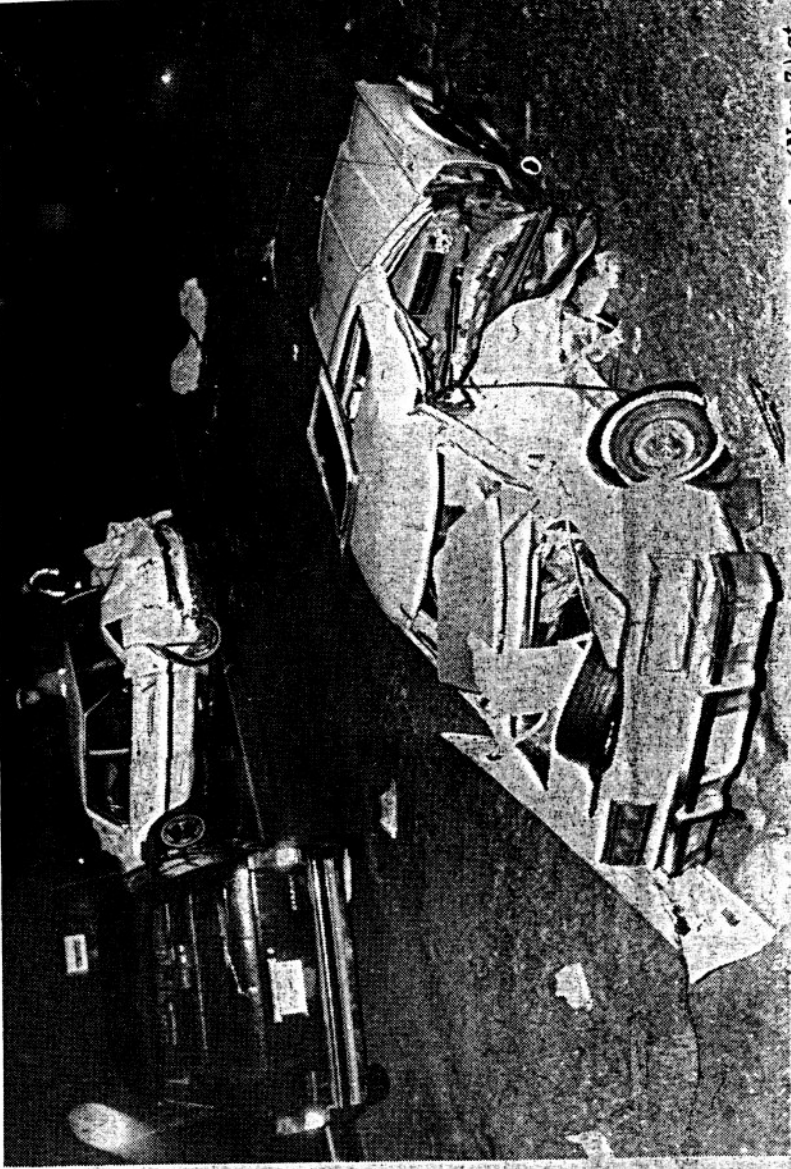
Yola Lynch, of Havelock,
 and also a grade one teacher at
 Earl Prentice, was admitted to
 BGH with a broken collar
 bone, broken ribs and a broken
 pelvic bone.

Treated and released were
 other Earl Prentice teachers
 Jean Shannon (senior kinder-
 garten) and Gayle Ketcheson
 (junior kindergarten). Wendy
 Russell, vice-principal and
 grade eight teacher at Marmo-
 ra Senior School, was also
 treated and released. All three
 teachers are currently
 recuperating at home.

Earl Prentice principal
 Leone Reid and Marmora
 Senior School principal John
 Beard were not injured in the
 accident.

The "Jaws of Life" used by
 the Quinte Rescue squad were
 required to remove Shirley
 Wilson from her vehicle.
 Wilson later died at Belleville
 General Hospital.

Earl Prentice principal
 Leone Reid would like to
 express a warm thank you
 from herself and her staff for
 the "overwhelming" support
 shown by the parents,



A three-vehicle accident, involving seven local teachers, occurred last Tuesday (Nov. 7) at about 4:30 pm on Hwy 14 near River Valley Rd. and claimed the life of Stirling resident Shirley Wilson. Six of the ten people involved in the accident were taken to Belleville General Hospital. Photo by Richard Gleeson.

community and Hastings
 County Board of Education in
 this time of need.

MARMORA HERALD
 15 Nov 1989
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First fatal accident of 1990 takes life of Marmora woman

The first fatal accident of 1990 occurring Jan. 3 has taken the life of a Marmora woman and sent three to hospital.

The two-vehicle accident occurred 7.2 km north of Marmora along County Road 3 (Cordova Rd) after a northbound 1986 Ford driven by Aleta Hartin, 71, of Madoc and a southbound 1983 Ford driven by Chris Brown, 17, of RR1

Havelock collided head on.

Ella Edwards, 77, of Marmora (a passenger in the Hartin vehicle) died as a result of the accident and 11-year-old Nichole Booth, of Madoc (also a passenger in the Hartin vehicle) was taken to Belleville General Hospital with serious injuries. Both Brown and Hartin were also taken to

BGH.

The Marmora, Marmora and Lake Volunteer Fire Department were also called to the scene of the accident with occurred approximately 7:35 p.m.

Unconfirmed reports say the road conditions were slippery, but the accident is still under investigation by Madoc OPP.

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10 JAN 1990
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No charges laid after three vehicle accident

Slippery road conditions along Highway No. 7 resulted in a three vehicle accident, involving one local couple, but no charges were laid.

According to Madoc OPP the accident occurred during the lunch hour on Jan. 11 when an eastbound vehicle driven by 26 year old Juli Abouchar, of Toronto attempted to pass a second vehicle driven by Michael "Mickey" Maloney, of

Marmora.

While attempting to pass the 1976 Ford, the Abouchar vehicle, a 1983 Toyota, went out of control hitting the Ford, crossing into the westbound lane and coming to rest along the guide post (facing westbound).

A third westbound vehicle, a 1986 GMC truck, driven by Andrew Ban, of Brantford, was involved in the accident when the driver was unable to avoid

the Toyota.

The Marmora, Marmora and Lake Volunteer Fire Department were called to the scene, but no fire ensued. Members of the department, however, did place flares along the highway, as conditions were very snowy and slippery.

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Quick action by Marmora woman saves girl's life

by Nancy Powers

The quick action of a Marmora woman is credited with saving the life of a young Norwood girl who was swimming at the boat launch, just north of Marmora, on June 28.

Tanya Sweet, 8 and her sister Sara, 7, were swimming with friend Bill Chard when an undertow suddenly pulled both girls under the water. Bill reacted quickly but was unable to help both girls at the same time.

"I grabbed Sara and threw her to shore, but I could feel the undertow even pulling at me...had it not been for Mary Anne jumping in Tanya would have drowned," said Bill, who was still shaken from the experience.

Still fully clothed Mary Anne

didn't hesitate when she saw the situation unfold.

"She put her own life on the line," said Bill, adding, "and I don't know how to properly repay her." Bill contacted the Marmora Herald last week so Mary Anne could be recognized for her bravery.

Sara and Tanya realize how lucky they are to be alive and Sara told The Herald she immediately expressed her appreciation to Mary Anne for helping to save their lives.

"I went right up to her and said thank you for saving my life," recalled Sara.

These two sisters from Norwood have decided they will do all their summer swimming in a pool from now on and Bill agreed with a smile, adding "We are going to the KOA."

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7 JUL 1993

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Two die in Sunday morning crash

OPP continue to investigate...

Marmora and Lake Twp. - Centre Hastings OPP continue to investigate the cause of a Sunday morning crash that claimed the lives of two Marmora men and sent two people to hospital.

The accident occurred on the Centre Line road at the Goat Hill road at approximately 10:50 a.m. The Marmora Fire Department were the first to attend the scene and extricated the victims.

Deceased are Gerald Alexander Fluke, 38, of Marmora and Brian Stanley Levere, 41, also of Marmora. Both were passengers in a 1994 Chevrolet Cavalier that was being driven northbound on the Centre Line Road by Jeremy Allan Levere, 20, who was taken by air ambulance to Kingston General Hospital with major injuries. The driver of the other vehicle, Megan Chiperzak, 18, of Marmora Township was taken to Campbellford Hospital with unknown injuries. Chiperzak had been southbound on the Centre Line Road in a 1991 Nissan Pathfinder.

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Double fatality throws community into shock

Marmora Twp. - Centre Hastings OPP attended the scene of a head-on motor vehicle collision that claimed the lives of two Marmora men and sent two people to hospital. The accident occurred on the Centre Line Road at the Goat Hill Road at approximately 10:50 a.m. September 26, 1999. The cause of the accident is still under investigation by Centre Hastings OPP assisted by OPP Technical Traffic Accident and reconstruction experts and the OPP Identification unit.

Marmora Fire Department was on the scene and extricated the victims.

Dead are Gerald Alexander Fluke, 38, of Marmora, and Brian Bradley Levere, 41, also of Marmora. Both

were passengers in a 1994 Chevrolet Cavalier that was being driven northbound on the Centre Line Road by Jeremy Allan Levere, 20, who was taken by air ambulance to Kingston General Hospital with major injuries.

The driver of the other vehicle, Megan Chiperzak, 18, of Marmora Township, was taken to Campbellford Hospital. Chiperzak had been southbound on the Centre Line Road in a 1991 Nissan Pathfinder.

Jeremy Levere was later moved from ICU to a step down unit in stable condition at Kingston General Hospital on September 28. The second driver, Megan Chiperzak, was released from Campbellford Hospital with minor injuries. The investiga-

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Four Fatalities On Snow Covered Highway 7 Last Weekend

On December 15th, at 3:40 pm, a collision occurred on Highway 7 approximately 6 kilometers east of the community of Marmora. An east-bound pick-up truck lost control while braking on snow covered roads and sideswiped a westbound Volkswagen Jetta. The pick-up truck continued to spin out of control and was struck head on by a west-

bound Toyota Paseo. All four occupants of the Toyota died on impact.

Killed were:

Nicholas Blackburn, aged 21, of Madoc, Ontario
Jacob Wallace, aged 20, of Oakwood, Ontario
Chantal Joly, aged 19, of Thorne, Ontario
Laurie Keenan, aged 19, of Lindsay, Ontario

All four occupants of the Jetta and two occupants of the pick-up truck were treated at Campbellford Memorial Hospital and released.

The highway was closed for approximately 5 and a half hours while an OPP Accident Reconstructionist conducted an investigation.

No charges have been laid at this time.

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