

600 help Thompson celebrate centennial



OLDEST THOMPSON NATIVES attend Saturday's centennial celebration held at the town hall were Clara Sellman Archambeau and Oscar Gundersen. Archambeau, 93, who has spent his entire life in Thompson, were named senior queen and king of the centennial celebration. She along with Gundersen, 88, currently lives in L'Anse and was born in Thompson on March 28, 1889.

A large turnout of approximately 600 people, a day of sunshine, food, plenty of nostalgic conversation plus an entertaining program spelled success for Thompson Township's centennial celebration held Aug. 7 at the town hall.

People came from Arizona, Ohio, Missouri, Illinois, Florida, South Carolina, Wisconsin and both peninsulas of Michigan to meet old friends and relive old memories.

Clara Sellman Archambeau, of L'Anse, who is 93 years old, was chosen senior queen. Oscar Gundersen, 88, was chosen senior king. Gundersen has spent his entire life in Thompson.

Scott Chartier, 5 years old and Lisa Wood, 2½, reigned as junior king and queen.

Winner of the women's centennial dress contest was Irene Grimm. Her husband, Allen Grimm, took first in the men's centennial dress contest. Janet Zentner took best in the children's division.

Chris Glidden won the bearded man cup for best beard and William Belleville took the mustache cup for best mustache.

The log-sawing contest attracted quite a few men who wanted to try their hands at a nearly lost art. Percy Tufnell and Jack Gerro came in first with A.J. Smith and Ernest Hoholik second.

The first door prize went to Elmer Flodin, with second to Dwayne Parrish and third to Bill Pistulka.

Winners of the children's games were:

Sack Race, Girls: Jennifer Sell-

man, Nicole Anderson, Janet Zentner, Vicki Benish, Danielle Kroll, Jenny Godlewski and Darcy Hamill.

Boys: Jack Cornaya, Jafar Medirir, Jason Grimm, Anthony Medirir, James Wines and Eric Kröll.

Shoe Scramble, Girls: Janet Zentner, Vicki Benish, Kelly Andrews, Darcy Hamill, Jenny Godlewski and Danielle Kroll. Boys: James Wines, Anthony Medirir and Jason Grimm.

Three-Legged Race: Guy Herro and Anthony Medirir, Amy Jasmin and Barbara Jasmin, Tom Andrews and John Neadow, Patty Reid and Mark Reid, Vicki Benish and Cindy Wolfe, Janet Zentner and Kelly Andrews, Darcy Hamill and Jenny Godlewski.

Wheelbarrow Race: Jack Courna-ya and Crystal Wickwire, Jason Grimm and Scott Klagstad, Vicki Benish and Cindy Wolfe, Arlene Gannon and Michele Herro, Kelly Andrews and Janet Zentner, Jenny Godlewski and Darcy Hamill.

Running Races, Girls: Angie Neadow, Sara Jasmin, Crystal Wickwire, Lisa Smith, Jennifer Sellman, Jodi Neadow, Amy Jasmin, Colleen Gannon, Arlene Gannon, Katina Slater, Michelle Herro, Vicki Benish, Deana Anderson, Terra Sellman, Darcy Hamill and Jenny Godlewski. Boys: Jeremy Longus, Justin DeMeyer, Jonathan Wickwire, Bruce Slater, Mike Cooper, Mark Reid, Jack Cornaya, Jafar Medirir, Jason Grimm, Guy Herro, Toni Andrews, Mark Turan, Jason Sellman, Kevin Herro, Anthony Medirir, Wm. Parrish, Samuel Burns and Lance Herro.

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