

Around Town

By Bob Ruggiero



Patty and Charlie Swertz receiving blessing from Father Long.

Patty and Charley Swets were given a wedding anniversary blessing by Father Bill Long after mass recently. Afterwards they celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with friends at Nicola's restaurant. Recently Patty and Charley vacationed at Las Vegas and Grand Canyon National Park with their son, Richard, and his wife, Marge, from New York and their daughter, Sharon, who lives in New Zealand. Charley, did you bring back some of the casino's money?

Dorothea and John Riso's son Brian, a retired Major in the Marine Corps, married his sweetheart, Kerri Marine in the Chapel at Cherry Point. Brian, a graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, was stationed at Cherry Point as a CH-46 Helicopter pilot. Since retirement Brian has been employed as a Foreign Military Sales Case Manager at Cherry Point.



Mr. & Mrs. William and Elizabeth (Bill & Betty) Filan celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on September 18th at a surprise party given in their honor at the Royal Pavilion Resort in Pine Knoll Shores. Bill & Betty were married in Newark, NJ on September 26, 1964. Their three daughters, Kathy, Sue, and Joanne joined good friends and family in planning the event, with relatives traveling from around the East Coast to attend. New Jersey natives, Bill and Betty permanently relocated to Pine Knoll Shores in 1995 after Bill retired from the East Orange (NJ) Fire Department and Betty retired from the Prudential Insurance Co. in Newark, NJ.

Doe and Tom Martynowski of Ash Court marked their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary August 14 at a party hosted by Frank and Trish Wallace at their home. Family and friends in attendance included the Martynowski's daughter, Mrs. Edward (Lorraine) Plantone and grandchildren Kate Marie and Paul Plantone. The Martynowski's also have a son, Tom Jr., whose work prevented him from attending with his wife, Carolyn, and their son, Brock. Tom and Doe, the former Dolores Florence Sorrentino, were married on August 14, 1954, in St. Hedwig's church in Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Marilyn and Andy Smetana's daughter and son-in-law, Tracey and Jeff Clements, recently adopted fraternal twin boys from Lithuania. The three and a half

Party goers: the Ruggieros, Poits, Lindblads, Barbara Evans and mother Lindblad and the Swetz.



Ron and Dot Manion and Bill and Betty Filan also celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary.



Loving Couple Bill and Barbara



Long-time friends Norm and Grace Meyers gave a lovely party to celebrate the fiftieth wedding anniversary of Bill and Barbara Milhaven