Vincent Darby of Arnaudville is the artist of the 1991 official Church Point Buggy Festival Poster. There are 300 limited edition posters to be sold. Anyone wishing to purchase a poster may call the Acadia-St. Landry Hospital at 684-5435.

(The following was written for the 1991 Buggy Festival Poster by Jean Murphy)

Oh, if the walls of this old house, built many years ago, could talk, what happy and sad memories it could tell us! Pierre and his wife Pelagie lived in this home with their ten children, Armina, Arzella, Lezla, Louisa, Moise, Armand, Stephen, Caroline, Homer and Pierre.

In the early days of our loved ancestors, the wife did not have a job outside the home. Her job was rearing the children and making a home for them -- a very important job I might add. The children amused themselves after helping Mama and Papa with the chores. Imagine, if you can, Moise and Stephen involved in a game of marbles, while Armina and Lezla in a homemade rope swing, swinging back and forth in the cool breeze of the mighty oak tree, daydreaming of what their lives might be like in years to come.

Pierre would return home after a hard day of work in his buggy to find an aroma filling the air of fresh baked bread and a good home cooked meal which Pelagie and the girls had prepared. A smile would light his face as he greeted each one of his lovely family and thanking God for letting him spend yet another day with them. Families were so close, even if the hardships were many. This was a special bond that lived in their hearts.

The old Bellard home is located on Highway 35, just a few miles from Church Point. No one has lived in the old homestead for many years, but it still stands under the mighty oaks with all its memories captured within. The artist, Vincent Darby, has visualized and recaptured, in his Buggy Festival Poster, the true beauty of this old home of long ago, and has managed to capture on canvas “A Journey In Time”.

The 1991 Buggy Festival Poster is truly a beautiful work of art, for it allows us to see what this home looked like many years ago, before it stood the test of the years.