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F.W.I.C. Convention
London, Ontario, June 1985

**Federated
Women's
Institutes of Canada**



Tenth National Convention
June 16th to 20th, 1985



Theme:
"women~unlimited potential"

**University of Western Ontario
London~Ontario**

Clackan N.I. members who attended were

Shirley Johnston

Hilde Mordex - recording sec.

Day visitors were

*Doris McIntyre
Kathy Johnston*

*Lois Hoalner
Willa Johnston
Betty Russell*

*Florence McIntyre
Marion Fleming*

MARY STEWART COLLECT

Keep us O Lord from pettiness; let us be large in thought,
word and deed.

Let us be done with fault finding and leave off self seeking.

May we put away all pretence and meet each other face to face,
without self pity and without prejudice.

May we never be hasty in judgment and always generous.

Let us take time for all things: make us grow calm, serene,
gentle.

Teach us to put into action our better impulses straight forward
and unafraid.

Grant that we may realize that it is the little things that
create differences; that in the big things of life we are one.

And may we strive to touch and know the great human heart common
to us all, and

O Lord God let us not forget to be kind.

TENTH TRIENNIAL CONVENTION

FEDERATED WOMEN'S INSTITUTES OF CANADA

SUNDAY JUNE 16, 1985

7.00 p.m.

OFFICIAL OPENING ALUMNI HALL

Presiding Mrs. Bernice Noblitt, President
Federated Women's Institutes of Canada

"O Canada"

Flag Ceremony

Message Her Majesty The Queen

Welcome Mrs. Charlotte Johnson, President,
Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario

Mr. A. K. Adlington, Acting President,
University of Western Ontario

Mr. Al Gleeson, Mayor, City of London

Greetings Dr. Ellen McLean, President,
Associated Country Women of the World

Senator Martha Bielish, Area Vice President,
Canada, Associated Country Women of the World

The Rt. Hon. Brian Mulroney, Prime Minister
of Canada (written)

Hon. John Wise, Minister of Agriculture, Canada

Frank Miller, Premier of Ontario

Reply Mrs. Beatrice Reeves, President Elect,
Federated Women's Institutes of Canada

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Choir Special Selection

Speaker To be announced

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS Mrs Lois Neabel
Mrs. Bette Ballhorn

"God Save The Queen"

RECEPTION FOR ALL University Community Centre
Courtesy of The Ontario Women's Institutes in Subdivision 23

MONDAY, JUNE 17th

8.40 a.m. Choir

9.00 Presiding Mrs. Bernice Noblitt, President
 Mary Stewart Collect
 President's Address on theme and report
 Memorial
 BUSINESS SESSION 1
 Reports
 National Office Mrs. Alice McLaggan
 Finance Committee Mrs. Emmie Oddie
 Federated News Mrs. Alice McLaggan
 Constitution and By-Laws Mrs. Bernice Noblitt
 Nominations Mrs. Emmie Oddie
 Announcements

10.30-10.50 Break

10.50-12.00 Presiding Mrs. Gwen Parker, Quebec
 Reports of Educational Committees
 Agriculture Mrs. Gwen Parker, Quebec
 Canadian Industries Mrs. Kathy Sheldon
 Citizenship & Legislation Mrs. Beatrice Reeves
 Education & Cultural Activities Mrs. Bette Ballhorn
 Home Economics & Health Mrs. Lois Neabel
 International Affairs Mrs. Jennie McInnes
 Public Relations Mrs. Alice McLaggan
 Northern Canada Mrs. Jacquie Linde
 Canadian Unity Mrs. Beryl Burgess
 Safety Mrs. Jacquie Linde

12.00- 2.00 Lunch Great Hall

2.00- 4.00 Presiding Mrs. Beatrice Reeves, President Elect
 ACWW SESSION Senator Martha Bielish
 Dr. Ellen McLean
 Mrs. Jennie McInnes,
 International Affairs Convener
 Contributions to Water and Sanitation Project

4.30- 5.30 Film "This Borrowed Land"
 Dinner

7.30 p.m. Presiding Mrs. Beryl Burgess
 PROVINCIAL TWINNING PROGRAM

TUESDAY JUNE 18th

8.40 a.m. Choir

9.00 Presiding Mrs. Bette Ballhorn
 BUSINESS SESSION 11
 Ontario Junior Women's Institute Program
 Adelaide Hoodless Homestead Presentation
 Mrs. Nancy Dodsworth, Curator
 FWIC Tweedsmuir History Report
 Mrs. Jennie Morgan, Curator

10.30-10.50 Break

10.50-11.45 Mrs. Bernice Noblitt and Mrs. Emmie Oddie
 Speaker Hon. Flora McDonald, Minister
 Employment and Immigration

11.45- 2.00 Voting (Official Delegates only)
 Lunch

2.00- 4.45 WORKSHOP SESSIONS SOCIAL SCIENCE BUILDING
 Each person may attend two.

No 1 Room 3024 Charter of Rights and How it Affects Women
 Professor Katherine DeJong, Faculty of Law
 University of Western Ontario

No 2 3116 Quality of Life for Seniors - Frances McHale
 Chairman, Provincial Advisory Council on Aging

No 3 3014 Child Abuse and Incest - Ross Dawson, Executive
 Director, Family & Children's Services, Oxford
 County

No 4 2024 Water- Endangered Vital Resource - Dr. Irene Spry
 Professor Emeritus, Ottawa University

No 5 3108 Women, How to Protect Yourself - Sergeant John
 Gale, Persons Squad/Criminal Investigation
 Division, London Police Force

No 6 3102 Health Education - Heather Boon, Program Co-
 Ordinator, Home Care Community Health Programs
 Branch Ontario Government.

No 7 3026 Microwave Cooking - Roxanne McQuilkin,
 National Home Economist, Panasonic

No 8 3018 Financial Management, Dollars & Sense, Sandra
 Burns, Consultant, McLeod, Young, Weir, London

No 9 2028 Pornography - Maude Barlow, Consultant, Ottawa

No 10 3028 Effective Speaking, Expressing Yourself with
 Confidence- Patricia Ferraro, Consultant, Guelph

- No 11 Room 3006 The Family, Family Violence- Valerie da Costa
Citizens Concerned with Crime Against Children,
London
- No 12 2020 Potential of Technology for Women- Linda Zimmerman
President, Software Design, London
- No 13 2032 Child Care- Dr. Fredelle Maynard, Consultant,
Toronto.
- No 14 3010 Planning a Co-ordinated Wardrobe - Nancy Baldwin,
Jodi Fashions, London.

Dinner

- 8.00 p.m. Presiding Mrs. Jacquie Linde
Twin City Harmonizers, Kitchener
Election Results Mrs. Bernice Noblitt

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19th

ONTARIO DAY -ALL BUSES DEPART SAUGEEN
MAITLAND, COMMENCING 8.00 a.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20th

- 8.40 a.m. Choir
- 9.00 Presiding Mrs. Bernice Noblitt
BUSINESS SESSION 111
Resolutions Mrs. Emmie Oddie
New Business
Unfinished Business
- 10.30-10.50 Break
- 10.50-12.00 Presiding Mrs. Lois Neabel
Provincial Reports on Theme (5 minutes each)
Workshop Summaries
- 12.00- 2.00 Lunch
- 2.00 Presiding Mrs. Kathy Sheldon
Workshop Summaries continued
Recommendations for future action
Installation of Officers Mrs. Emmie Oddie
- 6.30 Banquet, Wonderland Gardens
Shuttle bus service provided
Presiding Mrs. Bernice Noblitt,
Mrs. Charlotte Johnson, President FWIO
Mrs. Margaret Zoeller, Co-ordinator
FWIO Planning Committee

Thursday (Continued)

St Mary's Bell Ringers

Speaker Dr. Pierre Turgeon, University of Ottawa
"Positive Thinking Under Stress and Strain"

CLOSING CEREMONIES

"This officially concludes Convention Proceedings"

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Women's organization founded in 1897

holding its own



Flags flying for women

Sam McLeod of The Free Press

June Bell of Fruitville, B.C., presents the British Columbia flag at opening ceremonies for the 10th national convention of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada in London Sunday night. About 700 women from across Canada gathered at Alumni Hall at the University of Western Ontario for the ceremony. The convention ends Thursday. Extreme right is A. K. Adlington, acting president of UWO.

In the modern world of working women and instant information, the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada is holding its own, says Bernice Noblitt, president of the 45,000-member organization.

Although the organization has lost some numbers, it hasn't lost as



BERNICE NOBLITT

--- handles all issues of day

many as other older organizations, she said Monday. This, despite the fact many more women are working outside the home today and that the FWIC has to compete with many newer, single-issue groups.

Started in 1897 as a vehicle for the education and support of rural women in Canada, women's institutes played an important role in their lives and still do, she said.

"It's more relevant than other organizations because it handles all the issues of the day and it's bringing those issues to 45,000 women."

The issues are evident in the resolutions being considered by about 1,200 delegates to the 10th national convention of the FWIC at the University of Western Ontario this week.

Wife battering, pornography, acid rain, nuclear disarmament and video violence will be discussed Thursday, while the Charter of Rights, quality of life for seniors, child abuse and technological change are the subject of workshops this afternoon.

By submitting briefs to the federal government on these and other issues, Noblitt said, she has been able to raise the visibility of the FWIC during her three-year term. Living in Ottawa has made it easier for her to get the government's attention and to make the organiza-

tion an effective lobbying group.

Although the better education of women and easier access to information has made the traditional educational role of the FWIC less important, Noblitt said women's institutes still provide a necessary social support for rural women.

"The great bond of friendship amongst our members is very strong. They support each other in their communities. You don't get that in an organization that forms overnight and springs up for one issue."

The theme for the convention,

which ends Thursday, is Women — Unlimited Potential. It was chosen to encourage women to take a more active role in the development of their communities — something rural women should do, said Noblitt, who has been active in women's institutes for more than 45 years.

"Women are now a driving force in the agri-food system and more and more becoming the farm managers themselves," she told convention delegates Monday.

"We are in the front line of social action and we have the numbers in members to back it up."



ELGIN WI EXECUTIVE -- Elgin West District Women's Institute annual meeting was held recently at Paynes Mills WI hall. The organization's 1987 executive are: Eleanor McMillan (left), first vice-president from Dutton; Mary Lip-pold (second left), secretary from West Lorne;

Sally McIntyre (centre), president from Wallacetown; Geraldine Campbell (second right), past president from Iona Station and Hilde Morden (right), treasurer from Rodney Clachan
(Staff Photo - Heather Buchanan)

Clackan W. J. visited Fairfield Museum June 1985
Present curators are _____

THE STORY OF FAIRFIELD

By ELMA E. GRAY, Historian
London, Ontario

On this park-site stood Old Fairfield, a refuge for Indians persecuted because of their acceptance of Christianity. For 21 years the town was a centre of hospitable and cultural influence, but was destroyed by American forces in 1813.

The story of Old Fairfield begins in Pennsylvania and is the outcome of a noble experiment by Protestant Moravian missionaries who came to America in 1735 seeking a safe home. The Moravians were members of the Episcopal Church of the Unity of the Brethren (Unitas Fratrum) from Bohemia and Moravia. They lived simple, pious lives impelled by missionary zeal toward all neglected peoples of the world. In America their philanthropic aspiration was to love the Indians as brothers and to bring them the gospel of the Cross.

By 1742 the Delaware Indians inhabiting the Delaware River Valley near the Moravian towns of Nazareth and Bethlehem were almost reduced to starvation by the loss of their ancient hunting grounds to the relentless advance of white settlements. The Delawares accepted the Moravians' offer to form Indian mission towns where they could live without fear and learn enough European skills to enable them to live successfully as Indians in the white man's world. They would also learn to know and to love God. Many able Moravian men and women devoted their lives to this work. Brother David Zeisberger, the best known, spent 62 years in remote Indian outposts as their teacher and leader, accepting no salary from his church.

The flood of European immigration into Pennsylvania and the relentless white advance westward pushed the Indian mission towns every few years farther into interior wildernesses. By 1772 they had built what they hoped would be permanent sanctuaries on the Muskingum River in Ohio. Their three prosperous towns were the first in Ohio and their church ordinances are considered to be Ohio's first civil code.

When the repercussions of the Revolutionary War were felt in Ohio, the warpaths of the Indians and the British, from Detroit to Pittsburgh, ran through the Moravian missions. To remain neutral and at peace surrounded by warring tribes incited by British scouts, was impossible. As atrocities against them increased and their lives were threatened, the Christians were forced to abandon their towns and unharvested fields, valued at \$17,000, and were led as captives by the non-Christian Wyandots toward Lake Erie where they applied to the British at Detroit for protection. Meanwhile starvation drove some of the Christian Indians back to their fields to gather grain. Here, 90 of them, men, women, and children, were ruthlessly murdered by American militia.

In the next nine years the Indian converts moved, built, settled and moved again six times. Near present Mount Clemens, Mich., after a stay outside Detroit, they lived for a time but returned to Ohio in 1786. However,

they were not able to return to the Muskingum due to Indian unrest and war threats in the Ohio country. Finally after giving up their towns near Bedford and on the Pettiquoting River, close to present Milan, they sought aid of the British and returned again to their protection, living for a period near present Amherstburg. But the Moravians wished a home for their converts more removed from the evils of the white man's world and so were granted, by the Upper Canada Government, 51,000 acres on the Thames River. In 1792, the mission town was built at Fairfield, Upper Canada.

Through all their trials and wanderings Brother David Zeisberger had remained the Indians constant friend and inspiration. Fairfield's predominance, her peaceful, prosperous Indians and the important town they built and maintained in the following years were due to the gospel workers who devoted their talents to the Indians and white neighbours and cast the mold of early Protestant religion in western Upper Canada.

Fairfield became a town of 50 homes with a two-storey church, two schools, carpenter's shop and barns. The Indians cultivated many acres and sold annually in Detroit 5,000 bushels of corn and 5,000 pounds of maple sugar. They were said to write better than many Detroit mercantile clerks. Their Easter dawn services of song and prayer and their Christmas Eve love-feast attracted all settlers and Indians to their doors and were the first of their kind in Canada.

Across from Fairfield in a clump of trees was the cemetery they called "Hutberg" (Little hill under the Watch of the Lord) where by 1813 had been buried 126 of Fairfield's residents. The bodies of Moravian missionaries were later removed to Bothwell Cemetery, Highway No. 2.

When the war-paths of the 1812-14 conflict brought victorious American soldiers to Fairfield's door, after the battle of the Thames, in which Tecumseh was killed October 1813, the Indians fled eastward in terror. Their town was pillaged and burnt to the ground. Seventeen raft-loads of plunder were taken by river to Detroit and the loss to the Indians was estimated to be \$12,000. Brother C.F. Denke and his wife followed the Indian refugees to Burlington where they lived until hostilities ceased. In 1815 they brought the Indians back to build New Fairfield, across the Thames, where some old mission buildings still stand on the Moraviantown reservation.

The work so well begun by the Moravians was entrusted to the Methodist Church in 1902 and is now the responsibility of the United Church of Canada.

Old Fairfield, long forgotten, was excavated by Dr. Wilfrid Jury in the 1940's, and purchased by a Christian philanthropist, the late W.A. McGeachy, and in 1959 the Museum was built by the Home Missions Board of the United Church. Now maintained by visitors admission fees and by income from a Fairfield Museum Trust established jointly by the McGeachy Executors and The United Church of Canada, the Museum is operated by the Fairfield Committee of London Conference.

Christmas in Clackam 1985



Five "Little People" members perform on stage at the hall to music by Roy and Betty Alderton.

The "Little People" also paraded in Rodney's first Santa Claus Parade and entertained at local nursing homes

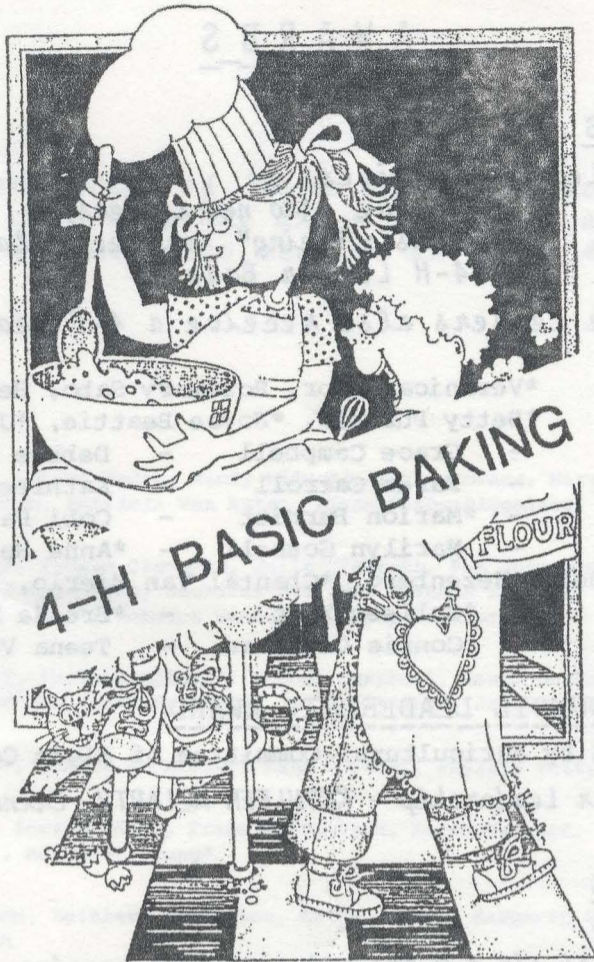


Do you recognize them?

June Purcell, Louise Verhoeven, Joyce Wright,
Alma Johnston, Lois Wobur

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THE 4-H MEMBERS AND LEADERS WISH TO THANK YOU
FOR SUPPORTING THE "Basic Baking" BAKE SALE.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1985

9:30 A.M.

WEST ELGIN SECONDARY SCHOOL
WEST LORNE



AWARDS

LEADERS' AWARDS

Each 4-H Leader receives:

- a Plaque (to new leaders)
- a "Basic Baking" project plate
- a 4-H Leader Badge

First-time leaders also receive a 4-H Leader Pin*

CHURCHVILLE	*Veronica Fodor, Rosemary Sabo, Helen Kovacs	
CLACHAN	*Betty Purcell, *Joyce Beattie, *Janice Mann	
COWAL	- Grace Campbell	- Debbie McCallum
CRINAN	- Karen Carroll	- Kathleen McLarty
IONA STATION	- *Marion Burritt	- Cobi Paton
LARGIE	- Marilyn Gosnell	- *Anne Henderson
NEW GLASGOW	Betty Mezenberg, *Chantal Van Mierlo, Brigitte Wiehle	
TYRCONNELL	- *Colleen West	- *Brenda Ford
WALLACETOWN	- Connie Dieleman	- Teena Vanderploeg

CANADIAN 4-H COUNCIL LEADERSHIP AWARD

Frames provided by Agricultural Committee of Elgin County Council

5-Year Leadership - KATHLEEN McLARTY, Crinan

MEMBERS' AWARDS

6-PROJECT AWARD

For completion of six 4-H projects, members receive a 4-H Trillium Pin.

PETER FORD, Wallacetown
JANICE MANN, Clachan
JENNIFER NEWPORT, Clachan
KAREN VERAART, Iona Station

12-PROJECT AWARD

For completion of twelve 4-H projects, members receive a 4-H Desk Set.

Laurie McLeod, Wallacetown
Cheryl Vanderploeg, Wallacetown

24-PROJECT AWARD

For completion of twenty-four 4-H projects, members receive a limited edition print.

LAURA HATHAWAY, Cowal
MARGARET MCPHERSON, Cowal
BETH PETERNEL, Cowal
BRIGITTE WIEHLE, New Glasgow

For completion of "Basic Baking" project, each member receives a project plate and a Plaque to all new members. First-time members also receive an Elgin 4-H Pin*.

CHURCHVILLE

Brenda Fodor, Sherry Fodor, Wendy Hidvegi, Kathy Kovacs, Mary Kovacs, Lori Sabo, Hedwig Van Asten, Patricia Van Asten, Diane VanDenBiggelaar, Krista Willie

CLACHAN

Sharon Beattie, Andrea Clements, Julie Clements, Pam Johnston, Mary-Evelyn Lather, Rhonda Long, Janice Mann, Jennifer Newport, Shannon Newport, Marta Schneider, Chantelle Van Acker*, Rebecca Vanderydt, Judy Woolner

COWAL

Carla Campbell, Paula Campbell*, Rhonda Campbell, Laura Hathaway, Debbie McCallum, Margaret McPherson, Lisa Patterson, Beth Peternel, Jennifer Snow, Julia Snow*

CRINAN

Miranda Joyce*, Norine McMurchy*, Lisa Mortier, Phyllis Tait,

IONA STATION

Laurie Giles, Lorrie Paton, Francine Veraart, Karen Veraart, Susanne Veraart, Tammy Veraart, Margaret Young*

LARGIE

Karen Henderson, Kathleen Henderson, Cathy Leitch, Margaret Robinson*, Peggy Smith, Lori Williston

NEW GLASGOW

Ronda Badger*, Linda Donkers, Tracy Grant, Vicki Mezenberg, Trisha Peters, Melanie Van Acker, Vicky Van Acker, Chantal Van Mierlo, Tina Van Oirschot, Wendy VanDerZanden*
Brigitte Wiehle

TYRCONNELL

Brenda Ford, Debra Ford, Valerie Paton, Erin Robertson, Andrea Van Kampen, Colleen West

WALLACETOWN

Anita Dieleman, Karen Dieleman, Nancy Dieleman, Peter Ford, Sandra Lunn*, Jennifer McIntyre, Laurie McLeod, Wendy McLeod, Michelle McMillan, Cheryl Vanderploeg, Donald Vanderploeg

AH Basic Baking

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Janice Mann

- Julie Clements
- Marta Schneider
- Beckie Vanderyde
- Andrea Clements



Shannon Newport
Judy Woolner



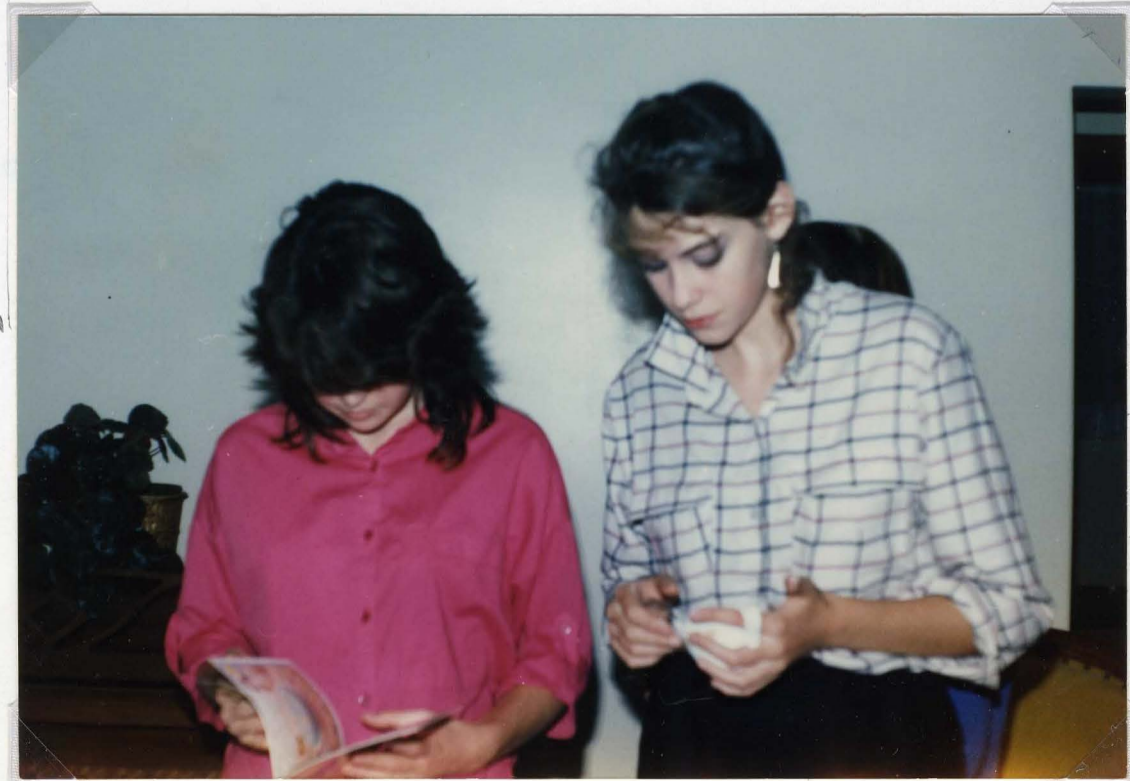
Judy Woolner
Sharon Beattie



Mary Evelyn Kather
Mrs. James Beattie
Becky Vanderyde



Marta Schneider
Julie Clements
Mary Evelyn Kather



Andrea Clements
Jennifer Newport.



- making choices
- looking after your clothes
- getting around

SEWING PLUS April-June, 1987

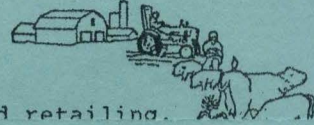
This project is aimed at 4-H members who have already learned to sew, have made at least one garment, and know how to operate a sewing machine.

Shirts are a popular wardrobe item for all teens and members will learn to sew a shirt with interfacing and a collar from a cotton or cotton/polyester blend fabric.



FROM FARM TO TABLE September-November, 1987 (Senior Member Project)

Members will learn about food processing, marketing, distribution and retailing.



Milk Makes It! Let's see how much you know.

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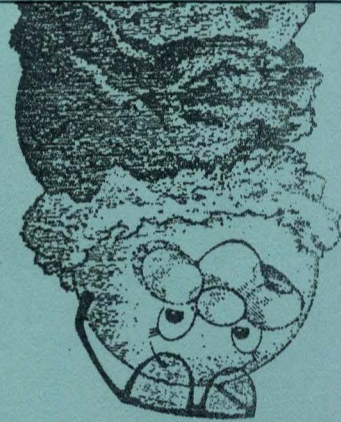
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November 29, 1986

West Elgin Secondary School

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

MILK MAKES IT



AWARDS

CLUB PRESENTATIONS - SKITS and EXHIBITS

WEST ELGIN SECONDARY SCHOOL, APRIL 5, 1986 - 9:30 A.M.

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM



ETIQUETTE FOR THE 80'S

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ETIQUETTE FOR THE 80'S

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM



WEST ELGIN SECONDARY SCHOOL, APRIL 5, 1986 - 9:30 A.M.

CLUB PRESENTATIONS - SKITS and EXHIBITS

AWARDS

WELCOME

COMMENTS ON PROJECT - *Bonnie Wilson, Rural Organization Specialist*

PRESENTATION OF LEADERS' BADGES AND PLAQUES

Churchville - Veronica Fodor, Helen Kovacs & Hedwig Van Asten
Clachan - Mary Vanderydt & Betty Purcell
Cowal - Grace Campbell & Rena Campbell
Crinan - Karen Carroll & Laurie Lotz
Iona Station - Marion Burritt & Cobi Paton
Largie - Marilyn Gosnell & Anne Henderson
New Glasgow - Judy Peters, Chantel Van Mierlo & Betty Mezenberg
Tyrconnell - Brenda Ford & Colleen West
Wallacetown - Connie Dieleman & Anita Dieleman

CLUB PRESENTATIONS

COWAL (Skit) - "Mom - We Have Company"
CRINAN (Exhibit) - "Menu Mysteries"
TYRCONNELL (Skit) - "Got Company, Mom"
Churchville (Exhibit) - "Etiquette at Home"

- INTERMISSION -

NEW GLASGOW (Skit) - "Graduate of Etiquette"
CLACHAN (Exhibit) - "What Shall I Take"
LARGIE (Skit) - "Before & After"
WALLACETOWN (Exhibit) - "How to Pack a Suitcase"
IONA STATION (Skit) - "Etiquette Gone"

CLUB PRESENTATIONS - SKITS and EXHIBITS

AWARDS

LEADER'S PIN

Rena Campbell, Cowal
Anita Dieleman, Wallacetown
Laurie Lotz, Crinan
Judy Peters, New Glasgow
Hedwig Van Asten, Churchville
Mary Vanderydt, Clachan

LEADER'S CERTIFICATE

Grace Campbell, Cowal - 20-year

COMPLETION OF FIRST 4-H PROJECT - Elgin County 4-H Pin

Suzanne Alderton, New Glasgow
Chrisie Donkers, New Glasgow
Mark Fisher, Churchville
*Kelly Girling, Clachan
Lisa Jarvis, New Glasgow
Sara Kearns, Clachan
Wayne Liepmann, Churchville
Kelly McMillan, Wallacetown
Jenny McRoberts, Clachan
Shelley Schnekenburger, Crinan
Teresa Sturdy, Crinan
Tracy Van Dyk, New Glasgow
Carrie Wood, Cowal



COMPLETION OF 6 4-H PROJECTS - Ontario 4-H Trillium Pin

Cathy Leitch, Largie
Freda Noorloos, Wallacetown
Margaret Young, Iona Station

COMPLETION OF 12 4-H PROJECTS - 4-H Desk Pen Set

Kathy Kovacs, Churchville
*Laurie Lotz, Crinan
Ashlynn Nethercott, Churchville
Tammy Veraart, Iona Station
Lori Williston, Largie

COMPLETION OF 18 4-H PROJECTS - 4-H Travel Alarm Clock

Hedwig Van Asten, Churchville

COMPLETION OF 24 4-H PROJECTS - Framed Print

*Jean Campbell, Cowal

*catch up

INDIVIDUAL COMPLETION OF "ETIQUETTE FOR THE 80's"

CHURCHVILLE - Mark Fisher, Brenda Fodor, Robert Fodor, Sherry Fodor, Wendy Hidvegi, Kathy Kovacs, Mary Kovacs, Wayne Liepmann, Ashlynn Nethercott, Lori Sabo, Hedwig Van Asten, Patricia Van Asten, Diane VanDenBiggelaar, Krista Willie

CLACHAN - Sharon Beattie, Andrea Clements, Julie Clements, Kelly Girling, Pamela Johnston, Sara Kearns, Mary-Evelyn Lather, Rhonda Long, Jenny McRoberts, Jennifer Newport, Shannon Newport, Marta Schneider, Chantelle Van Acker, Rebecca Vanderydt, Judy Woolner

COWAL - Jean Campbell, Paula Campbell, Rhonda Campbell, Laura Hathaway, Anne Schultz, Carrie Wood

CRINAN - Lynn Auckland, Laurie Lotz, Lisa Mortier, Shelley Schnekenburger, Teresa Sturdy, Phyllis Tait

IONA STATION - Laurie Giles, Lorrie Paton, Valerie Paton, Erika Van Tyghem, Francine Veraart, Karen Veraart, Susanne Veraart, Tammy Veraart, Margaret Young

LARGIE - Karen Henderson, Kathleen Henderson, Cathy Leitch, Erin Robertson, Margaret Robinson, Peggy Smith, Jennifer Snow, Julia Snow, Lori Williston

NEW GLASGOW - Suzanne Alderton, Ronda Badger, Chrisie Donkers, Linda Donkers, Tracy Grant, Lisa Jarvis, Tony Mezenberg, Vicki Mezenberg, Trisha Peters, Melanie Van Acker, Vicky Van Acker, Tracy Van Dyk, Chantal Van Mierlo

TYRCONNELL - Brenda Ford, Debra Ford, Andrea Van Kampen, Colleen West

WALLACETOWN - Anita Dieleman, Karen Dieleman, Nancy Dieleman, Wendy McLeod, Kelly McMillan, Michelle McMillan, Sandra McPhee, Freda Noorloos, Teresa Noorloos, Wendy Vander Zanden

AWARDS

1986 4-H PROJECTS

SUMMER CLUBS - Seed to Shelf, Beef, Dairy, Swine, Field Crop, Dairy Goat, Horse, Conservation, Judging, Tractor, Plowing - all begin in April. Check your March newsletter for more details on these projects. If you don't know who the leaders are for these clubs, contact the Agricultural Office (631-4700, or if long distance, dial 1-800-265-4377).

FALL CLUBS

"QUEST FOR SUCCESS" - a challenging new 4-H project, aimed at giving senior members, 16-21 years of age the edge on career planning. Emphasis is placed on career selection, creative job search techniques, and rights and responsibilities in the workforce.

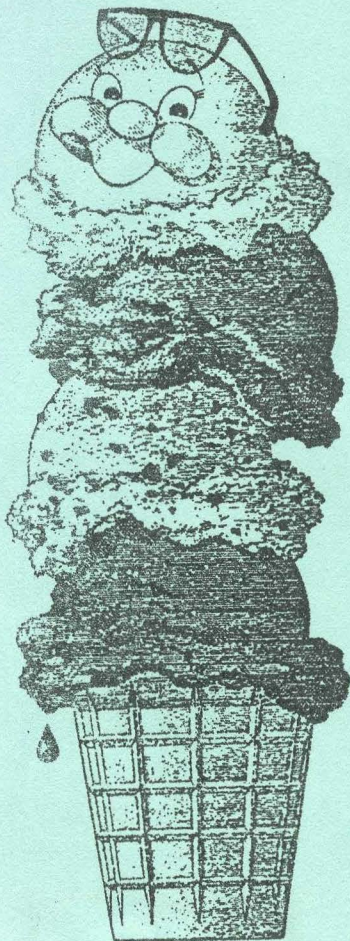
"MILK MAKES IT" - dispells some of the myths surrounding dairy products. You will learn how dairy products are made, the importance of dairy products in the diet, and how to shop for, store and cook them.



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MILK MAKES IT

ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

West Elgin Secondary School

November 29, 1986

9:30 a.m.

•Welcome - Bonnie Wilson,
Rural Organization Specialist, Elgin

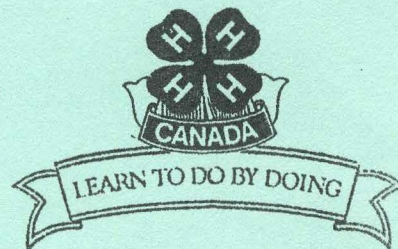
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•Leader Presentations

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•View Displays
(4-H members will
evaluate each display)

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CLUB	TOPIC	LEADERS	MEMBERS
Churchville	Cheeses	Helen Kovacs	Sherry Fodor, Kathy Kovacs, Mary Kovacs, Hedwig Van Asten, Patricia Van Asten.
Clachan	Cheeses	Joyce Beattie Mary Vanderydt	Sharon Beattie, Andrea Clements, Julie Clements, Pamela Johnston, Sara Kearns, Mary-Evelyn Lather, Sharon Lather, Rhonda Long, Jenny McRoberts, Nicole Miller, Jennifer Newport, Chantelle Van Acker, Beckey Vanderydt, Sherry Vanderydt, Judy Woolner
Cowal	Cow to Table	Beth Peternel Debbie McCallum	Andrea Boqart, Wesley Bogart, Paula Campbell, Rhonda Campbell, Laura Hathaway, Jeremy Lilley, Michael McCallum, Dean Murray.
Iona Station	Dips	Cobi Paton Marion Burritt	Lisa Barry, Laurie Giles, Lorrie Paton, Erika Van Tyghem, Vivian Van Tyghem, Francine Veraart, Karen Veraart, Susanne Veraart, Margaret Young.
New Glasgow	Dips	Betty Mezenberg Judy Peters	Suzanne Alderton, Lynn Auckland, Ronda Badger, Chrisie Donkers, Linda Donkers, Jenny Hanley, Lisa Jarvis, Vicki Mezenberg, Lisa Mortier, Erica Pashley, Trisha Peters, Colleen Riley, René Schneider, Carla Staddon, Melanie Van Acker, Tracy Van Dyk.
Tyrconnell	Cheesecakes	*Jeannie Leitch *Grace Ford	Brenda Ford, Debra Ford, Valerie Paton, Erin Robertson, Andrea Van Kampen, Colleen West.
Wallacetown	Mexican Food	Connie Dieleman *Deet Lock	Michelle Crawford, Karen Dieleman, Nancy Dieleman, Jennifer Lock, Wendy McLeod, Kelly McMillan, Michelle McMillan, Kerry McNie, Sandra McPhee, Wendy Vander Zanden.

* receiving Plaques
* receiving Leader's Pin

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Milk Makes It! Let's see how much you know.

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4 H

1987

Quest for Success



ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1987

7:30 p.m.

WEST ELGIN SECONDARY SCHOOL
West Lorne

Welcome -- Bonnie Wilson, Rural Organization Specialist

**SURVIVING
WITH
STYLE**



ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

WEST ELGIN SECONDARY SCHOOL

9:30 A.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1987



*"A Taste of Ontario
Fruits and Vegetables"*

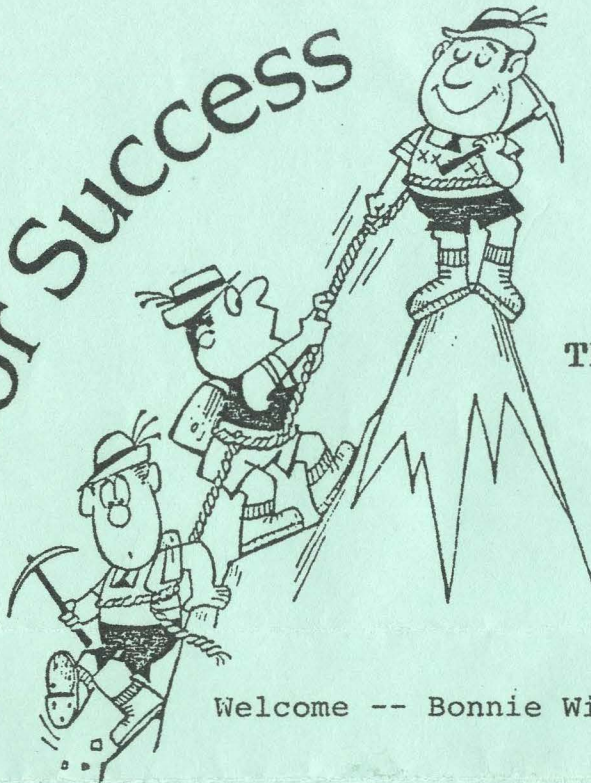
Fall 1987

Leaders:

Mary Vanderydt

Mary Morrisox

Quest for Success



ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1987

7:30 p.m.

WEST ELGIN SECONDARY SCHOOL
West Lorne

Welcome -- Bonnie Wilson, Rural Organization Specialist

Film -- "Don't Take It Personally"

View Displays

Guest Speaker -- John Rider - "Finding Summer Employment"

Awards Presentation

12-Project (desk pen set) - **RHONDA LONG** (Aldborough)

1st Project (Elgin 4-H pin) - **OWEN BOUGHNER** (Southwold)

ALDBOROUGH: Hilde G. Morden
Andrea Clements, Rhonda Long, Jill Morden, Julie Morden,
Carolyn Quinton, Edwig Van Asten

SOUTHWOLD: Gayle Bogart
Allan Barfett, John Beunen, Owen Boughner,
Beth Clutterbuck, Debra Guest, Barb Hutchings



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ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

WEST ELGIN SECONDARY SCHOOL

9:30 A.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4, 1987



•Welcome

Bonnie Wilson, Rural Organization Specialist

•Recognition of Volunteer Leaders

Churchville - Veronica Fodor

Clachan - Lois Woolner & *Alma Johnston

Cowal - Debbie McCallum & Grace Campbell

Iona Station - Marion Burritt & Cobi Paton

New Glasgow - Betty Mezenberg, Judy Peters
& *Josina Donkers

Wallacetown - Connie Dieleman & Joy Westelaken

*Leader's Pin

•Presentation by Club Members

WALLACETOWN - Skit: "The 4-H Carol - Surviving Through
The Change of Time"

Michelle Crawford, Karen Dieleman, Nancy Dieleman, Wendy McLeod,
Michelle McMillan, Kerry McNie, *Krista McNie, Sandra McPhee,
Freda Noorloos, Teresa Noorloos, Andrea Van Kampen, Wendy
Vander Zanden.

CHURCHVILLE - Skit: "When The Cat's Away,
The Mice Do Play"

Robert Fodor, Sherry Fodor, Kathy Kovacs, Mary Kovacs, Wayne
Liepmann, Lori Sabo, Hedwig Van Asten, Patricia Van Asten,
Chantal Van Mierlo, Krista Willie.

Youth Leader: Sherry Fodor.

NEW GLASGOW - Skit: "Stylish Survivors To The Rescue"

Suzanne Alderton, Lynn Auckland, Ronda Badger, *Jenny Bechard,
Chrisie Donkers, Linda Donkers, Jenny Hanley, Lisa Jarvis,
Tony Mezenberg, Vicki Mezenberg, *Denise Miller, Lisa Mortier,
*Jenny Nethercott, Erica Pashley, Trisha Peters, Rene Schneider,
Carla Staddon, Melanie Van Acker, Vicky Van Acker, Tracy Van Dyk.

CLACHAN - Skit: "To Go Or Not To Go"

Andrea Clements, Julie Clements, Pamela Johnston, Sara Kearns,
Mary-Evelyn Lather, Sharon Lather, Rhonda Long, Jennifer
Newport, Shannon Newport, *Lisa Swain, Chantelle Van Acker,
Rebecca Vanderydt, Sherry Vanderydt, Judy Woolner.

IONA STATION - Skit: "Independent, at Last!"

Laurie Giles, *Michelle Taylor, Erika Van Tyghem, Maryke
Van Tyghem, Vivian Van Tyghem, Fran Veraart, *Frank Veraart,
*Jamie Veraart.

COWAL - Skit: "Cowal's Survivors Clean-up"

Andrea Bogart, Wesley Bogart, Dave Campbell, Paula Campbell,
Rhonda Campbell, *Meme Lavell, *Andrew Lilley, Jeremy Lilley,
Steve Lilley, Michael McCallum, Dean Murray.
Youth Leader: Dave Campbell.

Youth Leader Exhibit - Dave Campbell

*Elgin 4-H Pin

•Quiz Bowl

Game #1 - Churchville vs. Clachan

Game #2 - Cowal vs. Iona Station

Game #3 - New Glasgow vs. Wallacetown

•Award Presentations

Leader's Certificates

5-Year: Debbie McCallum, Cowal

Frame provided by Agricultural Committee
of Elgin County Council.

6-Projects (4-H Trillium Pin)

Karen Dieleman, Wallacetown

Wendy McLeod, Wallacetown

Kerry McNie, Wallacetown

Vicki Mezenberg, New Glasgow

Melanie Van Acker, New Glasgow

Rebecca Vanderydt, Clachan

12-Projects (Desk Pen Set)

Lynn Auckland, New Glasgow

Judy Woolner, Clachan

18-Projects (Travel Alarm)

Sherry Fodor, Churchville

24-Projects (Framed Print)

Hedwig Van Asten, Churchville

•Individual Completions



LEARN TO DO BY DOING

SUMMER CLUBS

Plan to take part in a summer 4-H project.

BEEF - "Herd Health and Marketing"

CONSERVATION - "Habitat"

DAIRY CALF - "Herd Health and Marketing"

FARM MACHINERY/PLOWING

FIELD CROPS - "Marketing"

FROM FARM TO TABLE (Senior Project)

HORSE - "Management and Training"

JUDGING

SEWING PLUS

FALL CLUB

A TASTE OF ONTARIO FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

The surest test of a good chef is the fruits and vegetables he or she serves.

This 4-H project offers you the opportunity to obtain the knowledge and skills that will help you transform ordinary meals into colourful, tasty gourmet delights.

4-H PLEDGE

I Pledge: My **HEAD** to clearer thinking,

My **HEART** to greater loyalty,

My **HANDS** to larger service,

My **HEALTH** to better living,

For my club, my community, and my country.



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ST. THOMAS - Elaine Pratt & Sue Beaudry

Nora Beattie, Dorothy Dykstra, Malinda Dykstra,
*Angela Hamlyn, Debbie Haskell, *Kathleen Somerville.

St. Thomas will be doing a skit: "The Choice Is Yours", following Cowal.

There will be a 15-minute intermission
prior to the Quiz Bowl.

4 H 1988



ENCOUNTER THE OUTDOORS



PROVINCIAL 4-H HOMEMAKING
-- Club conference was recently held on the University of Guelph campus. A conference guest was Mrs. Clarence Diamond, president of the F.W.I.O. (Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario), third from left. Pictured are Karen McNeil, R.R. 2, Dalton; Penny

Crabe, R.R. 1, St. Thomas; Mrs. Diamond; Michelle Evanitski, R.R. 3, Iona Station; Carol Morden, R.R. 1, Rodney; and Anne Longford, R.R. 1, Belmont.

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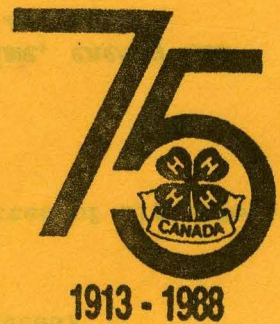
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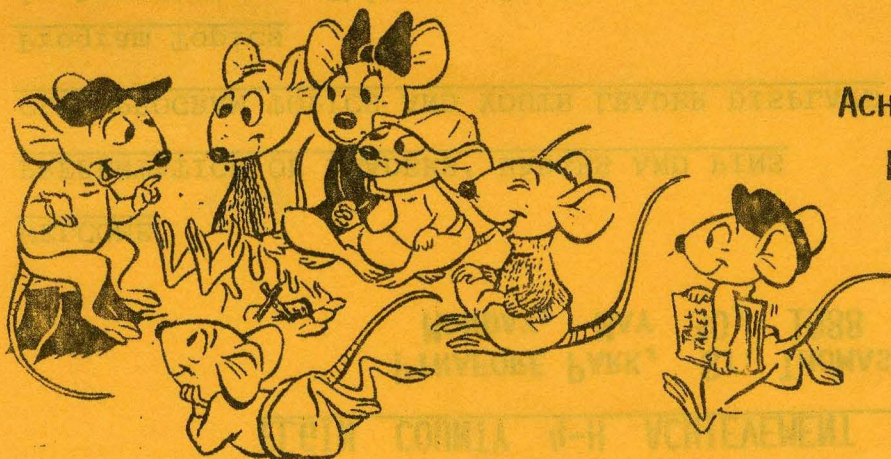
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IN ELGIN COUNTY**

4-H LEADERS

AYLMER	- Sylvia Cerna	- Teresa Cerna	- Sissy Cerna
BELMONT #1	- Ann Thomas	- Lori Smith	
BELMONT #3	- Edith Cook	- Susan Hutchison	
CLACHAN	- David Clements		
CORINTH	- Sally Beard	- Angela Cull	
COWAL	- Grace Campbell	- Debbie McCallum	
DEXTER	- Joyce Pfeffer		
IONA	- Anne De Vries	- Ginny Barfett	
IONA STATION	- Marion Burritt	- Alice Veraart	
JUNIOR W. I.	- Carole Brown		
LAWRENCE	- Elsie Hutchings	- Ruth Lunn	
LYONS	- Jackie Van Ryswyk	- Joan Colley	
NEW GLASGOW COUNTRY	- Josina Donkers	- Betty Mezenberg	
RODNEY #1	- Judy Peters		
RODNEY #2	- Joan Miller		
RURAL ROUTES	- Pat McLellan	- Jane Snyders	
ST. THOMAS	- Elaine Pratt	- Janet Lumley	
SHEDDEN	- Wanda Schram	- Dianne Uitvlugt	
SPARTA #1	- Marilyn Smith		
SPARTA #2	- Helen Roloson	- Jeana Roloson	
STRAFFORDVILLE	- Sandra Causyn		
TALBOTVILLE	- Dawn Clinton		
WALLACETOWN	- Connie Dieleman		



ENCOUNTER THE OUTDOORS



ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM
MAY/JUNE, 1988
ELGIN COUNTY

ELGIN COUNTY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

PINAFORE PARK, ST. THOMAS
MONDAY, MAY 30, 1988

I. WELCOME

II. PRESENTATION OF LEADERS' BADGES AND PINS

III. CLUB PROGRAM TOPICS AND YOUTH LEADER DISPLAYS

Program Topics

1. Lawrence - Skit - "Lawrence Goes To Camp"
2. Rural Routes - Skit - "An Imperfect Outing"
3. Belmont #3 - Skit - "The Teddy Bear Picnic"
4. Lyons - Group Activity - "Oh Deer"
5. Clachan - Skit - "A Camping Experience"
6. St. Thomas - Skit - "A Suspenseful Ending..."

Youth Leader Displays:

1. "Our Club Camping Trip" - Dorothy Dykstra (St. Thomas)
2. "Leadership" - Barb Hutchings (Lawrence)
3. "Promoting 4-H" - Jennifer Foster (Rural Routes)
4. "Basic Needs of Survival" - Marlene Reymer (Lyons)

V. PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL AWARDS

6-Project Completions (trillium pin)

Sharlene Hiemstra (Lyons)
Dennis Lunn (Lawrence)

12-Project Completions (desk pen set)

Jennifer Foster (Lyons)
Sheila Lyle (Lawrence)

18-Project Completions (travel alarm)

Barbara Hutchings (Lawrence)

Leaders' Certificates (frames provided by Agricultural Committee of Elgin County Council)

10-year Leadership: Jackie Van Ryswyk, (Lyons)
5-year Leadership: Jane Snyders, (Rural Routes)

VI. PRESENTATION OF PLAQUES AND PROJECT PLATES

Elgin 4-H Pin provided to new members by Agricultural Committee of Elgin County Council.

VII. CLOSING

A special thank you to all 4-H club leaders for the time, energy and knowledge they have given to make these clubs a success.



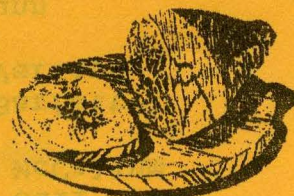
GROW WITH US

"MUCH ADO ABOUT MEAT" - coming in September, 1988

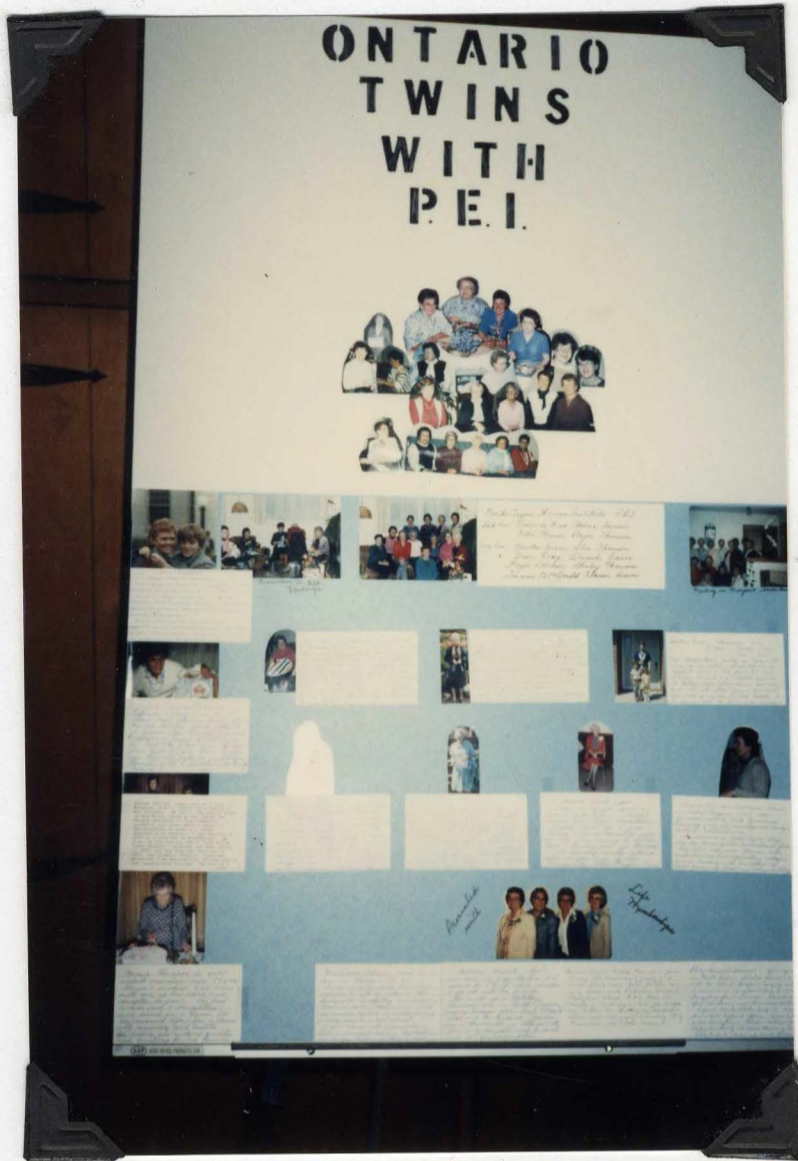
... Honey-Garlic Spareribs, Surprise Burgers, Sausage Roll-Ups, Pizza Soup, Potato Skin, Terrific Tacos... all these and more to be featured at club meetings.

Here's your chance to learn how to buy, store and cook beef, veal, pork and lamb. Through games, field trips and other fun activities, you will also learn how meats can play an important part in making your life healthy.

If you're between 12 and 21 before July 1st, 1988, you can become a 4-H member. Come and be a part of it all!



Swimming with North Tryon N.I., P.E.I. in 1987.



Meet our twins from P.E.I.

E EDWARD ISLAND

INSTITUTES TWIN BRANCH

Board Pass Name Tags

Program & Recipes

**Stewardess
Stewardess**

Clachan Women's Institute President

**Women's Institute Twin and W.I. History
North Tryon W.I. P.E.I.**

Prince Edward Island Information

Scenic Drives

Lady's Slipper

Fox Fur Boom

Gathering Irish Moss

The Blue Heron

Sand Dunes

Line Of Green Gables

On March 23, 1987, Clachan N.I. entertained branches from Elgin West at Clachan Hall. Discovering the history, customs, landmarks, stories and recipes of North Tryon P.E.I. made an enjoyable evening program.



Betty Van Patter, Board Director; Shirley Johnston, District P.R.O.; Betty Alderton, Clachan President, and Julie Morden dressed as Anne of Green Gables.



Jill Morden - stewardess, ushered travellers to their seats on the imaginary flight to P.E.I.

DISCOVERING PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

HOME OF ONTARIO WOMEN'S INSTITUTES TWIN BRANCH

Shirley Johnston

Julie Morden

Shelley Fleming

Jill Morden

Betty Alderton

Shirley Johnston

Willa Johnston

Hilde Morden

Jill Morden

Marion Fleming

Margaret McDougall

Shelley Fleming

Florence McIntyre

Julie Morden

Kathy Johnston

Lois Woolner

Hilde Morden

Betty Alderton

Willa Johnston

Lunch

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Anne Of Green Gables

Lobster Suppers

Lighthouses

Slide Presentation - The Island Attractions

Back to Ontario

Social Recreation

This program was prepared by the Clachan Women's Institute executive committee with the help from all members. Our secretary-treasurer, Louise Verhoeven did the art work on the Name Tags, posters were made by Hilde Morden, Julie Morden printed the program and recipes.

We invite you to visit with all our guests for this evening and Clachan Women's Institute. thank you for coming!!

RECIPES FROM PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Scalloped Clam Casserole

1 can minced clams (broth too)
2 eggs (beaten)
1 cup milk
1 cup mushroom soup
1/4 cup margarine
26 small salty crackers (coarsely crushed)

Method: Mix all ingredients in casserole putting crushed crackers in last. Stir. Bake 1 hour at 350°. (Tuna may be used instead of clams.)

Hot Mulled Cider

1/2 cup brown sugar
1 Tsp. whole allspice
1 Tsp. cloves
1/4 Tsp. salt
dash of ground nutmeg
3" stick cinnamon
2 qts. cider or apple juice
red food colouring

In a large saucepan combine all ingredients. Slowly bring to a boil, cover & simmer 20 minutes. Strain. Serve over clove-studded orange wedges in mugs. OR place all ingredients except juice and colouring in coffee perk. Use juice instead of water and perk like coffee. Serve hot. A nice Christmas beverage for Institute or refreshing after cross country skiing.

Cheesy Potato Casserole

7-8 med. P.E.I. Potatoes cooked and cubed or 1 pkg. frozen hash brown.
1 can cream of mushroom soup
1 cup sour cream
1 cup grated cheddar cheese
1/3 cup onion (chopped)
salt & pepper to taste
grated parmesan cheese
1/2 cup crushed cornflakes
1/4 cup melted butter

Mix first 7 ingredients together and spread in a large greased casserole. Sprinkle with parmesan cheese. Top with cornflakes, drizzled with butter. Bake at 350° for 45 to 60 min. Serves 6-8 people.

"P.E.I. Strawberry Pie"

1 qt. fresh strawberries
1 cup White Sugar
1/2 cup water
3 Tbsp cornstarch

Take 1 cup berries & add 1/2 cup water. Cook until berries break then strain. Add sugar, cornstarch or 1/4 cup water. Bring to boil stirring constantly for one minute. Pour this glaze over remaining berries which have been arranged in cooked pie shell. (Graham Cracker shell can be used also) Chill 2 hours
Serve with whipped cream & decorate with berries.

Vegetable Dip

Heat - 1 can tomato soup
Add - 1 sm. lemon jello
Let cool

Cream: 1 sm. pkg. cream cheese
16 oz. miracle whip
Add: 1 cup fine chopped celery
1 cup fine chopped onion
chives, parsley, salt as desired.
Mix all and chill.
Serve with raw vegetables or crackers.

Romance Square

Rub together well:

1 cup flour
2 Tbsp White Sugar
1/2 cup butter - Press firmly in greased 8"x8" pan. Bake at 350° for 15 minutes.

Topping:

1 1/4 cup Brown Sugar
2 beaten eggs
3 Tbsp flour
1/2 Tsp Baking soda
1 cup chopped nuts
1/2 cup coconut
1/2 Tsp vanilla

Bake for 20 minutes at 350° oven. Ice with soft icing, almond flavouring.

Swimming with Eden N.I. 1987



Clachan and West Lorne
N.I. met with their
twix branch Eden N.I.
on April 13, 1987.



Celebration '88



Certificate of Merit
Dec. 29, 1987

Part of Olympic flame ceremony for Aldborough Township



W.I float in Rodney Fair Parade
- "Canada - A World of Cultures"

Clachan W.I. celebrates 75th 1914-1989

Clachan WI celebrates 75th

Over 90 enjoyed a potluck supper and celebration of the Clachan Women's Institute's 75th Anniversary, held at the home of Shirley Johnston.

We were pleased to have Mrs. Roy (Kathleen) Downie, daughter of the first president, Mrs. James Trestain attend. Kathleen took the minutes at the first meeting.

Also in attendance were the Twin Branch, North Yarmouth and the district officers.

Mrs. Gordon (Norine) Woolner was honoured with a 50-year membership pin for her valuable contribution to the Clachan Women's

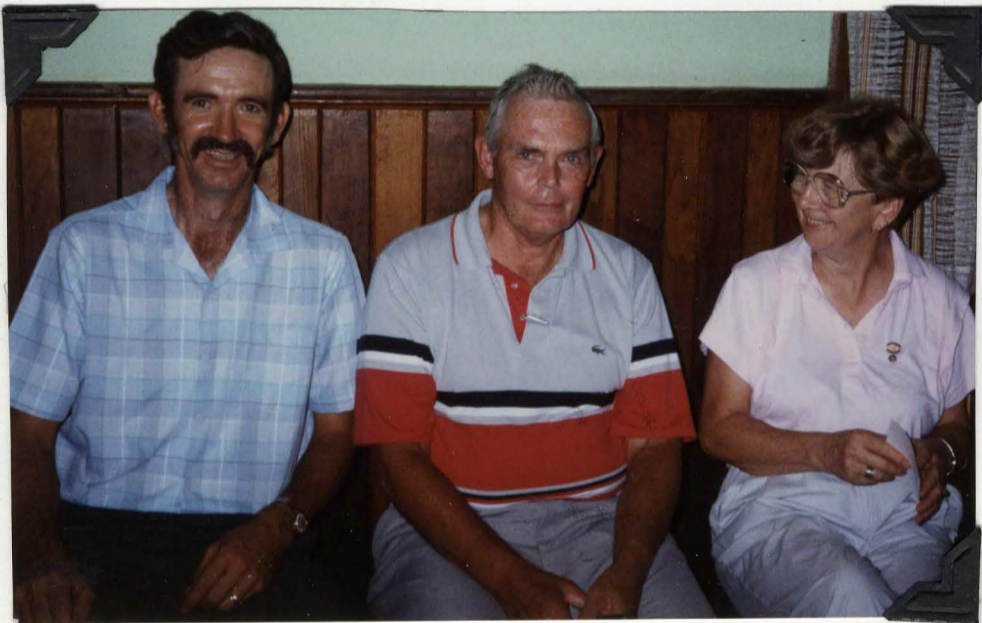


Norine Woolner

Institute over many years. Lyle Mann gave an interesting and humorous dialogue of people and community events of the past.



Norine Woolner with daughter Marion Wright to her left and daughter-in-law Lois Woolner



Jim Verhoeven took a video of the celebration, Lyle Mann and Shirley Johnston - hostess.



Jill Morden Branch PRO, Julie Morden sec., Betty Alderton - Pres.



The crowd gathers for a buffet supper



Norine Woolner with Kathleen Downie

Clackan Branch always willing to help



Willa Johnston
Clackan W.I.

Plenty of strawberries here

Strawberries have been hard to come by because of this spring's cool weather, but last week's Strawberry Social at the Elgin County Pioneer Museum went off without a hitch.

Bertha Bickerman, left, and Willa Johnston served up bowls of strawberry shortcake at the social sponsored by the Elgin County Women's Institute, and the five IODE chapters in St. Thomas.
-(T-J Photo)



Cathy Johnston, Louise Verhoeven and Lois Woolner resting after working in the tea room at Beattie Haven Rest Home.



Bazaar and Tea held at Beatty Haven

Last Wednesday, October 27 a large number attended the Annual Tea, Bazaar and Bake Sale at Beatty Haven, Wardsville. Baked and canned goods, as well as many types of hand work, sewing, knitting and embroidered items were sold by the Auxiliary Ladies in charge. The Clachan W. I. ladies served tea and cookies to the residents and their guests. Pictured above, left to right are Mrs. Una McQuarrie, Thamesville; Mrs. Ron Alderton, #1, Wardsville, President of Clachan W. I.; Mrs. Earl Morden, #1, Rodney, tea room convenor; Mrs. Lena McCain, 92, a resident at Beatty Haven and her daughter, Mrs. Ruth Jackman of Thamesville.

Hilde Morden



Hilde G. Morden
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Education: Business College, Seminars In Human Resources, Communicat
O.A.T.I. - Participative Training Techinques, Negotiating
and Museum Studies.

Employment: H. J. Heinz Company, Leamington
Aldborough Township Office
Social Services, Aldborough Township
Secretary-Treasurer, Pork-Land Farms

Active Women's Institute member for twenty-eight years.

Positions held: Branch - Sec.Treas. Vice-President, P.R.O. & Convene
District - Sec.Treas. & Convenships
County Rally - P.R.O.
Area - London Area President
F.W.I.O. Secretary-Treasurer, Erland Lee (Museum) Home Sec. Treas.
F.W.I.C. Recording Secretary - 1985 Convention Program Co-ordinator
A.C.W.W. Contributing member New Branch Co-ordina-
F.W.I.O. Negotiation Team member tor

Positions held in other organizations:

Founding member of Ontario Agricultural Hall of Fame, Milton
Advisory Committee member, Niagara Escarpment Committee
Chairman, West Elgin Minor Variance Committee
Chairman, Turning Point Conference 1984
Delegate to 1st, 2nd & 4th Farm Women's Conference
Adviser to Southwestern Women for the Support of Agriculture
Adviser to Neighbour Network Group
Adviser to Swine Conference, Ridgetown
Chairman, Elgin County Pioneer Museum General Committee
Chairman, District #4, London Presbyterial Women's Missionary Society
Co-chairman, London Presbyterial Retreat
Adviser to Sharing Approaches that Work, I.C.A. 1986
Adviser on Building Together Conference 1988
President - Women's Missionary Society Group
Sunday School Teacher
Chairman, & Co-ordinator - Lay Pastoral Care Ministry
Sec.-Treas. Community Outreach Seminars
Member, Advisory Committee - Farm Life - Farm & Country Magazine
Member, Advisory Committee - Ridgetown College of Agriculture & Tech.
4-H Club Leader

Recipient: The Ontario Bicentennial Medal - 1984
Bicentennial Certificate of Merit - 1984
Ontario Ministry of Agriculture & Food Centennial Award - 1988
Women's Institute Certificate of Merit - 1991

Hobbies: Free lance public speaker and seminar facilitator - Human Relations,
Communications, Museum Interpretation & Parliamentary Procedure

Author of: "Ways to Develop; Talents & Strengthen Organizations"
"How to Invite a Guest Speaker"
"Keeping Employees Happy"
"The Art of Delegating"
"The Art of Negotiating"
"Museum Decorum & Interpretation"
"Spreading Out The Work"
"Platform Presence"
New Branch Organizers Workshop

Feb. 17, 1992
Hilde G. Morden

Rodney Fair / 85

SHIRLEY JOHNSTON

A WELL-RESPECTED MEMBER OF THE CLACHAN COMMUNITY IS SHIRLEY JOHNSTON. AMONG HER INTERESTS ARE:

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE - SHIRLEY HAS BEEN A VALUED MEMBER OF CLACHAN W.I. FOR MANY YEARS. SHE WAS THREE TIMES PRESIDENT OF THE CLACHAN BRANCH AND ALSO ACTED AS SECRETARY-TREASURER. SHE IS A PAST VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE WEST ELGIN DISTRICT.

CLOVERLEAF NURSERY SCHOOL - SHIRLEY IS A MEMBER OF THE CLOVERLEAF AUXILIARY AND HAS ACTED AS A VOLUNTEER HELPER FOR SOME TIME.

CANCER SOCIETY - SHE HAS BEEN TEAM CAPTAIN FOR WEST ALDBOROUGH AND SERVED AS A VOLUNTEER DRIVER FOR PATIENTS NEEDING TREATMENT.

CHURCH - SHIRLEY ATTENDS THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT KINTYRE. SHE IS ACTIVE IN W.M.S. AND HAS PREVIOUSLY TAUGHT IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

OCCUPATION - ALTHOUGH NOW RETIRED, SHIRLEY WAS A POPULAR GRADE 1 TEACHER AT ALDBOROUGH PUBLIC SCHOOL. SHE ALSO TAUGHT AT BOTHWELL AND HIGHGATE. HER HOME IS NEAR CLACHAN WHERE SHE KEEPS BUSY DOING COMMUNITY WORK, TENDING A LARGE GARDEN AND TRAVELLING WHENEVER POSSIBLE. HER HOME IS FREQUENTLY AVAILABLE FOR MEETINGS AND FUNCTIONS. IN YEARS PAST SHE HOSTED COMMUNITY CARD PARTIES DURING THE COLD WINTER MONTHS.

WHEN RECOGNIZED FOR HER GENEROSITY OF TIME AND TALENT SHE REPLIES,

"I JUST ENJOY DOING THINGS IN THE COMMUNITY, WORKING WITH MY NEIGHBOURS. THE MORE EFFORT I PUT FORTH, THE MORE PLEASURE I RECEIVE."



Crinan hold Elgin West W.I. 85th Annual Meeting



HELP CELEBRATE 85TH ANNIVERSARY – Elgin West District Women's Institute marked this special occasion last Wednesday evening with a program at Argyle Presbyterian Church, Crinan. Taking part were, from the left, Eleanor McMillan, past president;

Pauline Lindsay, Board Director Sub Division 22; Jean Leitch, president; Margaret Carroll, secretary-treasurer, and Willa Johnston, first vice-president.

Jean Leitch, assisted by Margaret Carroll, conducted the 85th annual meeting of Elgin West District Women's Institute at Argyle Presbyterian Church, Crinan. A gracious welcome was given by Annie Isabel Tait, president of Crinan Branch. Pauline Lindsay ratified District Directors from the 11 Branches in Elgin West.

Cowal W.I. conducted the Memorial Service with scripture readings and prayer.

London Area President Margaret Dale, brought greetings and said London area annual meeting will be October 14th at Mt. Brydges Community Centre. A Call to Order workshop will be held at Centralia on June 2nd for presidents and members.

R.O.S. Valerie Clark discussed the Scholarship rules and suggestions from the floor were given to be considered to encourage more applicants. 4-H members age bracket is now 10 - 21 years of age. Applicants must continue their education and have completed 6 projects, 3 of which are in Family Consumer related clubs and presently in 4-H.

Sally McIntyre, in her Tweedsmuir History report, reviewed the beginning of the District, a London Area Tweedsmuir History workshop will be held August 10th at Kirkton.

Greetings were given by Tina Zomer, Oxford South District; Betty Van Patter, Elgin East District; Eleanor McMillan, Elgin Rally and Hilde Morden, New Branch Organizer F.W.I.O.

Anniversary cake was served during the refreshment break.

Provincial Board Director Pauline Lindsay brought greetings from F.W.I.O. and informed that the Pass It On

pilot project is being discontinued and sub-divisions or districts encouraged to organize an Educational committee to offer seminars or workshops relating to life skills and community needs. The surplus from Conference '92 has been donated to the Provincial headquarters fund.

At the Erland Lee-W.I. days are June 4th and 5th, Victoria Tea, August 28th; Harvest Festival Luncheon, September 28th and 29th; Fall Heritage Day, November 4th (crafts for this day are Battenburg lace, silk ribbon embroidery, beading hardinger and basketry). The centennial committee announced that the plate can be ordered prior to October 15th.

Reports from New Branch co-ordinator committee member, Elgin County Pioneer Museum representative saying the Strawberry Social will be June 23rd. The scholarship presentation will also take place. Other reports from Elgin Manor Auxiliary, the Public Relations officer and Farm Safety delegate were heard. The Program co-ordi-

nator urged the Branch co-ordinator to use the printed form to complete the Personal Growth and Renewal Course which she took this past year.

Roll call was given with each Branch telling one item of history. Tyrconnell extended an invitation to host 1994 district annual. Executive officers for 93-94 are:

President, Jean Leitch; 1st vice-president, Willa Johnston; 2nd vice-president, Anne McLean; secretary-treasurer, Margaret Carroll; Program Co-ordinator, Grace Campbell; Tweedsmuir His-

tory Curator, Sally McIntyre Public Relations Officers Dorothea Jewell; Resolutions Eleanor McMillan; Representative to Elgin Pioneer Museum, Rena Campbell.

The 1993 Halloween Party

On Saturday, October 30, at 5:30 p.m. over ninety goblins, witches, black cats and many other characters met at Clachan Hall for the annual Halloween party.

The hall was very attractively decorated and it added to the freshly painted walls and new curtains. On stage was the spook house. The committee of Joann Johnston, Christine Johnston, Mary McWilliams, Attie De Witt and Anne Mieke Laeters had a good party planned.

While the spooks were promenading the hall, the Clachan Women's Institute were in the kitchen cooking 180 hot dogs and warming 180 buns. Mc Donalds drink was served and rice krispie cookies.

This annual event has been sponsored by the Women's Institute for at least fifty years.



Laura
Ford
Andrew Ford
Natalie Ford
Brilly Johnston
Cortney Cross
Alex
McIntyre

The Institute Gives a Course 1994



In Wallacetown
over fifty women
met to applique their
sweat shirts. The
teachers were Grace
Campbell and Pauline
Lindsay showing off
their accomplishments are
back row - Mary Dickson
Jill Morden Hilde Morden
front row - Willa Johnston
Florence McIntyre and
Julie Morden. 1994



So popular was the
course that another
was held at Kintyre
Church. Working on the
shirts are Lois McIntyre
Mary Dickson, Lois Woolner,
Marion Fleming and Marie
Van Lith 1994.



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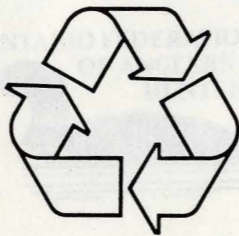
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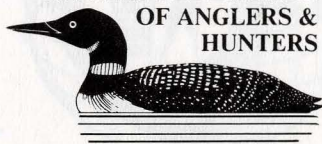
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Elgin West W.I. hold first annual meeting at night ¹⁹⁸⁹

For the first time ever, the Elgin West District Women's Institute Annual meeting was held in the evening. The turnout indicated that perhaps today's busy women find this more convenient than the former day-long format. The meeting was on Wednesday, May 17th, 1989, at Wallace-town Hall, with Cowal branch as hostess. Officers were installed as follows:

Past president, Mrs. Ivan Beecroft; president, Mrs. John McIntyre; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Bruce McMillan; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Ron Leitch; secretary, Mrs. Nelson Johnston; treasurer, Mrs. Horace Jewell; Public Relations Officer, Mrs. John Hauser; Program Co-ordinator, Mrs. Leonard Palmer; Resolutions Convener, Mrs. Dorothy Robson; Pioneer Museum delegate, Mrs. Garnett Cowell; Farm Safety delegate, Mrs. Ivan Beecroft; auditors, Mrs. Gordon Attridge

and Mrs. James Lawrence; Nominating Committee, Mrs. Winfrid Liepmann, Mrs. Gordon Gow and Mrs. Ralph Auckland.

In her address, President Sally McIntyre referred to the meeting's theme, "Women on the Move". She mentioned Elgin County's own Mrs. Futch, as well as, Adelaide Hoodless, as influential women of the past; Queen Elizabeth and Margaret Thatcher as women of the present, and predicted women of the future will have a significant role to play.

Betty Walther, Provincial Board Director, by flip chart and printed report, brought everyone up-to-date on happenings at the provincial level. Of special interest are essay competitions, one for grades 7, 8 or 9 pupils, and one for W.I. members, details available from branch members.

Valerie Clark, Rural Organization Specialist, by adding an "N" to the letters "W.I.", brought all to a "win" situation. Pat Palmer, Program Co-ordinator, and her committee, presented a humorous skit. A photo of the W.I. founder, Adelaide Hoodless, was presented to the district by Middlemarch branch, and will be displayed in the Wallace-town Hall.

The meeting adjourned in good time, showing that a successful evening annual meeting is possible.



ELGIN WEST W.I. OFFICERS – The annual meeting of the Elgin West District Women's Institute was held at Wallace-town Hall last Wednesday evening with Cowal branch as hostess. In attendance were these ladies, from the left, Jeannie Leitch, 2nd vice-president; Willa Johnston, secretary; Sally McIntyre, president; Eleanor McMillan, 1st vice-president; Shirley Johnston, public relations officer, and Pat Palmer, program co-ordinator.

Clachan WI's 75-year history; celebrates anniversary Aug. 28

For 75 years Clachan and surrounding community has benefited and enjoyed the Women's Institute.

"It all began in February 1914, when Mrs. James Trestain of Clachan General Store, became the first president, 41 members paying 25 cents to become members.

At the time, members learned about the Red Cross as World War I had broken out and the Institute wanted to give its best efforts to bring comfort to soldiers and others who suffered because of the war.

In 1920 the horse and buggy was the popular mode of travel and as there was no shelter near the hall for Dobbin, the ladies decided a shed was very necessary. After canvassing the surrounding countryside, a shed was built and used for 10 years. The automobile replaced the horse, so the shed was auctioned for \$57. The money helped install electricity in the hall, so the gas lamps were taken down.

The rising generation has benefitted greatly because of the interest the W.I. had in the community. Public speaking contests were sponsored in public schools, starling hunts gave boys a little money and reduced the bird menace noticeably. Bird houses added interest to their skills and the annual Hallowe'en party still is a 'must' for every child.

In 1952, Elgin's Centennial year, the community spirit was very evident as old and young gathered at the Fleming Cemetery for a clean-up bee. There lie the first white settlers on the land the owner cleared by the Thames River. The history of this brave man and his family was read at a memorial service at the cemetery during the centennial.

This is only a little of the history recorded in the Clachan Women's Institute Tweedsmuir History Book.

Monday, August 28, 1989 at 6:30 p.m., the community is invited to a potluck picnic 75th celebration of the Clachan Women's Institute

Clachan W.I.

80th Anniversary

Alma Paterson

Bertram Byrnes

Shirley McIntyre
Margaret Waite

Alma Johnston

Kathy Johnston

Betty Russell

Marlene Boss
Julie Rogradi

Shelley Fleming

Marion Fleming

Margaret Dale

Arthur Lather

Eunice Paterson

Brenda Lather

Kelly Morden

Sharon Lather

Krista Coleman

Jackie Fleming

Jennifer Fleming

Marcy Ford

Natalie Ford

Lynda Ford

Katherine Dyle

Corbett Dyle

Nick Dyle

Cornelia Dyle

Ruth Johnston

Marg. Dickson

Rosemary Clement

Janet Johnston
Joanne Johnston

Judy Clark

Dona Waite

Phyllis Jaffards

Mary A. Thridge

Alice Manning

Isabelle Lethbridge

Marg. Fenton

Bea Reinhardt

Marie and David Clements

Louise Johnson

Eileen Ashton

Eleanor McMillan

Maureen Knight

Margaret McNaugale

Attie de Wit

Edith Fleuren

Annemiek Loeters

Simone Loeters

Betty Rederton

Janeke Fleuren

Monique Pottus

Kristal de Wit
Christine Johnston

Dana Zegers

Milla Johnston

Lesley Zegers

Lois Stooler

Nicole Loeters

Amy Champigny

Hilde G. Morden

Julia McFadden

Shirley Johnston

Alice Fleuren

Catherine Paterson

Anne Rogradi

Paula Lindsay
Bea Johnston
Pat 22



80 YEARS OF COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

by Julie Morden

Clachan Women's Institute celebrated their 80th anniversary, hosting special guests, Highgate Women's Institute, previous 4-H leaders and 4-H ers.

Lois Woolner, president gave a warm welcome to all.

Greetings were brought by Willa Johnston, West Elgin District President, Eleanor McMillan, West Elgin District Secretary, Margaret Dale, London Area President, Pauline Lindsay, F.W.I.O. Provincial Board Director, Beatrice Reinhardt, Highgate Women's Institute and Barbara Bijker, Rodney /Aldbrough Fair Board.

A lively Sing Song was conducted by Hilde Morden and Madeleine Cross.

Program - skit by The Snappy Snappers, exploring photography club and Clachan Classic Cluckers,

Chicken and Egg Club.

Awards were given to Youth Leaders Rosemary Clements and Sharon Lather. The 6th project recipients were Cindy DeWilde, Jennifer Fleming, Brenda Lather and Katie Morden. The 12th project recipient was Rosemary Clements. All previous 4-H leaders received a 4-H memento.

Florence McIntyre, Kathy Johnston, Betty Purcell and Willa Johnston gave "Bits From The Past", noting that in 1914 the Highgate Women's Institute were present to assist in the organizing of Clachan Branch.

Shirley Johnston's reading, "Life Must Be Lived As We Go Along", closed the meeting.

Fellowship was enjoyed with a beautifully decorated anniversary cake, made by Karen Carroll and punch.

PRESIDENTS

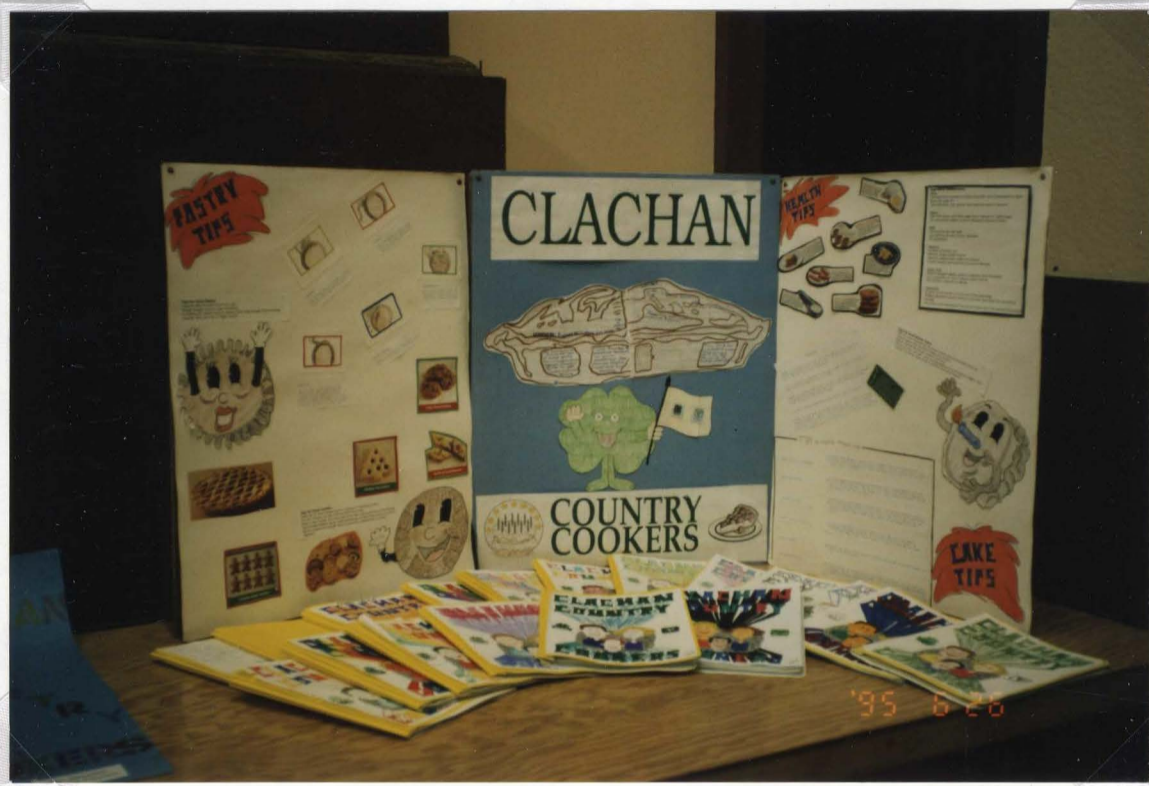
SECRETARIES

	PRESIDENTS	SECRETARIES
1914	Mrs. J.H. Tristain	Cassie McLarty
1915	Mrs. H. Meyer	Lena Ashton
1916-1917	Mrs. H. Meyer	Lena Ashton
1917-1918	Mrs. P.L. Ashton	Lena Ashton
1918-1919	Mrs. J.L. Wright	Lena Ashton
1919-1920	Mrs. J.H. Tristain	Miss Jessie Colquhoun
1920-1921	Mrs. Albert Johnston	Miss Jessie Colquhoun
1921-1922	Mrs. Geo. Wood	Miss F. Johnston
1923-1924	Mrs. Geo. Wood	Mrs. D. Lindsay
1924-1925	Mrs. Geo. Wood	Miss Francis Johnston
1925-1926	Mrs. R.J. Spence	Mrs. A.E. Johnston
1927-1928	Miss F. Johnston	Mrs. W. Turk
1927-1928 ³⁰	Mrs. H.H. Johnston	Mrs. J. Colquhoun
1928-1929	Mrs. A. Griffith (book missing)	Mrs. W. Turk
1936-1937	Mrs. G. Woolner	Mrs. D. Lindsay
1937-1939	Mrs. G. Woolner	Mrs. D. Lindsay
1939-1942	Mrs. Mint Leitch	Mrs. D. Lindsay
1942-1945	Mrs. Garnet Long	Mrs. Gordon Woolner
1945-1948 ⁵	Mrs. M. Leitch	Miss John Purcell Mrs. A.E. Colquhoun Mrs. C. McWilliams (Alma)
1949-1951	Mrs. Garnet Long	
1951-1952	Mrs. Harold Johnston	Mrs. Ruth Johnston
1952-1953	Mrs. Edgar Ashton	Mrs. Gordon Woolner
1953-1957	Mrs. Gordon Woolner	Mrs. Ruth Johnston
1958-1959	Mrs. G. Long	Mrs. Alice Paton
1959-1960	Mrs. Alice Paton	Mrs. Ruth Johnston
1960-1963	Mrs. Harold Johnston	Mrs. Ruth Johnston

PRESIDENTS**SECRETARIES**

1964-1966	Mrs. Gordon Woolner	Mrs. Neil McPhail
1966-1967	Mrs. Jim Purcell	Mrs. Neil McPhail
1967-1968	Mrs. Gordon Teare	Mrs. E. Johnston
1969-1970	Mrs. Allan Woolner	Mrs. Nelson Johnston
1970-1973	Mrs. Beulah McWilliams	Mrs. E. Johnston Mrs. E. McIntyre
1974-1976	Mrs. E. McIntyre	Mrs. H. Johnston
1976-1978	Mrs. Ron Alderton	Mrs. Ken Okolisan
1978-1980	Mrs. B. McWilliams	Mrs. E. Morden
1980-1981	Mrs. Harold Johnston	Mrs. Roy Alderton
1981-1983	Mrs. E. McIntyre	Mrs. Roy Alderton
1983-1985	Mrs. N. Johnston	Mrs. Gordon Teare
1985-1986	Mrs. E. Morden	Mrs. Jim Verhoeven
1986-1989	Mrs. Roy Alderton	Miss Julie Morden
1990-1992	Mrs. Harold Johnston	Mrs. Jim Verhoeven
1992-1994	Mrs. E. Johnston	Mrs. Jim Verhoeven
1994-	Mrs. Allan Woolner	Mrs. Jim Verhoeven

4 H W.I. Programme - May 1995



1995

4 H display



Mrs. Allan Carroll
and 4H members
demonstrated
cake decorating.
Jennifer Fleming, Julie
Nogradi, -



- Jennifer Fleming
- M^cPhail
- Mrs. Carroll
- Catherine Schneider
- Jackie Fleming
- behind Jackie -
- Natalie Ford
- Marcy Ford

The Voice of the **FARMER**

Second Section -- Nov. 28, 1995.



PICTURE PERFECT — Marg Harris, the newly elected president of the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario, resides with her husband Arnold (Bud) just east of Arkona in Middlesex County. Their back door opens up on a lovely view of Adelaide Township.

New FWIO president Marg Harris brings a wealth of volunteer & business experience

By Jeffrey Carter

Marg Harris brings a wealth of experience to the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario. The newly-elected president of the FWIO plans to work with the other members to improve the communications of the organization in a number of ways.

Harris wants to see the FWIO blow its own horn a little louder for more people to recognize the contributions of the organization. And she wants to further strengthen the two-way communication lines within the organization — between the executive body of the FWIO and the grass-root, districts and branches.

"I like the idea that the WI would become a household word. The WI has done many good things but what we have not done well is market our organization," Harris says. "We don't picket, protest or placard; what we have done is see the needs and fill them."

The WI has already taken steps to strengthen its communication lines, such as by creating new look for the organization's news releases. The organization has also moved its headquarters to a new location, just north of Guelph to a stone house located in the conservation area on Marden Road.

Harris says there's both "strength and weakness" in the WI's diversity. It's a large group which requires a good deal of organizational skills to run. Harris hopes to help bring about a certain amount of streamlining to the procedural aspect of the group while maintaining the democratic, parliamentary approach.

Harris says that there's room for women from all walks of life and cultural backgrounds in the WI. She says the WI is "an organization that is sensitive to an image drawn from ethnic, cultural, rural and urban diversity."

"One of the strengths of the WI comes from the diversity and opportunities offered in so many fields. The blending of all the age groups is an attribute to our personal lives as well as to our WI lives," she says.

Harris would like to see a greater number of "younger" women become involved with the WI but

at the same time she recognizes that society is changing and there are time restraints. "I am convinced that many of our young people are now time-bogged," she says. "But the point comes when the individual woman needs for her own self something she enjoys and that she feels has worth."

This attitude is reflected in the WI mission statements which emphasizes "personal development and community involvement".

Harris will need all the knowledge and energy she possesses over the course of her two-year term as president.

"Anyone who has had six children and gets them to Sunday School on time is a good organizer," Harris says. "And that's not a joke."

Harris has been a member of the South Lobo WI for over 20 years. She says the branch is an excellent training ground.

"I was never president of the branch. I was going to be president but then I became a provincial board member and we moved here (to Adelaide Township) and I didn't feel it was fair to be a president and not live in the area."

Harris did serve as the president of Middlesex North District and she's held a wide variety of other positions at the branch, district and provincial levels. Harris has also been active in the First Lobo Baptist Church.

She started as a teller with Canada Trust in London in 1972 and eventually rose through the ranks to become a senior administrator before she retired from the banking business in 1984. She was the office manager for C.S. Vine and Sons Shell from 1985 to 1989 before joining her husband as an equal partner in Bud Harris and Company Building in 1990.

Harris and Bud believe that family and good health are the most important things in life. The couple have enjoyed travelling to different locations around the world in the past few years. Marg values Bud's support as she embarks on her two-year term as FWIO president. Together, the couple have eight children and a number of grandchildren, most of which they will see over the coming Christmas holidays.



Willa Johnston, Clackan W.I. hands over gavel to incoming President Ann McLean.

W.I. district annual

The 88th annual district meeting of Elgin West Women's Institute was hosted by Clackan Branch in Kintyre Presbyterian Church.

President Willa Johnston welcomed everyone urging us to Come Let's Celebrate. It was noted that Mrs. J.R. Hutchen of Middlemarch Branch was a president of F.W.I.O. from 1947 to 1950. Wallacetown is the oldest branch in Elgin West District.

Board director Margaret Armstrong ratified 11 district directors. River Road branch conducted the memorial service. Greetings were received from London Area W.I., Oxford South and Elgin East presidents and Elgin County Rally chair.

Entertainment was provided by Kintyre young people and West Lorne branch peeked into the future.

Elgin County will host London area convention on October 24 at St. Anne's Centre, St. Thomas. Each branch is asked to provide one dozen buttered muffins for coffee time.

Upcoming events are a strawberry social on June 19 in Elgin Pioneer Museum; August 2-11 Country Quilt Fest at the Ontario Agricultural Museum; August 13, Tweedsmuir Curators workshop at Wallacetown; Elgin Plowing Match on September 7; car rally on October 6; W.I. Rally social evening, October 8; London Area Convention October 24 and Daffodil Coffee Break, 9:30 to 12 noon on October 26 in Shedden.

Slate of officers for 1996-97

is as follows:

President, Ann McLean; 1st vice, Faye Thorn; 2nd vice, Rena Campbell; past president, Willa Johnston; secretary-treasurer, Grace Campbell; public relations officer, Eleanor McMillan; program coordinator, Lynn Huffman; resolutions, Willa Johnston; Tweedsmuir history curator, Sally McIntyre, with assistant, Helen Van Brenk; auditors, Mary Lippold and Catherine Attridge.

Courtesy remarks were expressed by Faye Thorn. Gifts of appreciation were given to board director Margaret Armstrong and retiring president Willa

Johnston. O Canada concluded the meeting.

(1996)



Madeline Lois Hilde Gill Cathy Hilde
 Cross Woolner Johnston Morden Johnston Morden



June 1996

Lois Woolner & Louise Long planting
 Centennial Rose

1897-1997

Clachan W.I. marks 100th anniversary

Clachan Women's Institute enjoyed a special 100th celebration of the founding of the Women's Institutes at Clachan Hall, last Monday evening.

Twenty-four members and guests were present. Ruth Johnston from Chatham came the farthest. President Madeleine Cross gave a welcome and lit the candle for 100 years of Women's Institute.

President Madeleine told of the story of Mary Stewart.

The first minutes of W.I. February 19, 1897 was read by Christine Johnston, assistant secretary and Madeleine gave the president's address of 100 years ago.

Tribute to W.I. was given by Willa Johnston. Sing-song was led by Hilde Morden, accompanied by Shirley Johnston, piano.

Did you know that, was supplied by members Alma Johnston, Helen McWilliams, Jill and Julie Morden, Hilde Morden and Shirley Johnston. There was a display of clothing and articles of 100 years ago by

Lois Woolner and Shirley Johnston, called Inherited Treasures.

Margaret McDougall introduced Nellie Campbell, portrayed by Alice Paterson, telling of her experiences coming over from Scotland in 1819, settling in Port Glasgow.

She had with her the picture of Nellie's Hill painted by Dr. J. Mac Paterson and poem On Landing Of Scottish Families At Nellie's Hill, written by John Black Ferguson, noted author at Eagle in 1928.

Janet Quinton thanked Alice and presented her with a gift.

Jill and Julie Morden sang The Institute Prayer to the tune Bless This House. Lunch was as it would have been 100 years ago, tea biscuits and jam, sugar and date trillies, gingerbread cake and whipped cream.

Tweedsmuir History curator books were viewed bringing back many happy memories of community and meetings. Betty Purcell is curator.

Alice Paterson portrayed Nellie Campbell and spoke about her sea voyage from Scotland in 1819 at a special meeting of Clachan W.I., marking the 100th year of the Women's Institute last week.



Alice Paterson



Willa Johnston



Madeleine Cross & Christine Johnston

Photos - Hilda Morden

100th Anniversary W.I.



Julie + Jill Morden,
Helen McWilliams + Alma
Johnston.



B.B. Betty Purcell, Marion
Wright Louise Long, +
Marion Fleming
M.B. Alice Paterson, Lois Woolner,
J.B. Julie + Jill Morden,
Shirley Johnston



B.F.
June Purcell, Alma Johnston
Helen McWilliams, ?
Janet Quinston.
J.R. Marie Spence, Marilyn
Jamieson, ?

Celebrating 100th Anniversary



Delaware County
100 Years

Historical amalgamation of Elgin W.I. Districts

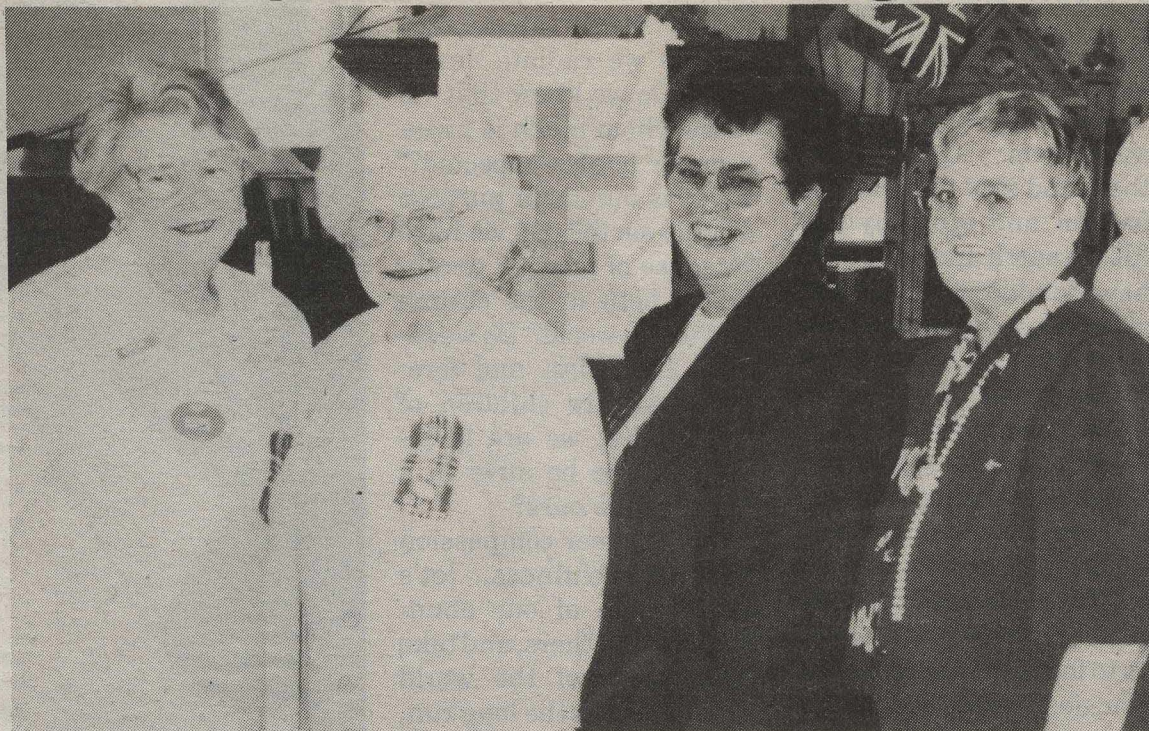
Elgin West District Women's Institute held their 90th annual meeting in Fingal United Church hosted by Boxall Branch of the Women's Institute, on Wednesday, May 13th. Theme for the day, "A new beginning that starts with you." The Opening Ode was sung followed by the Mary Stewart Collect commencing the meeting.

Eleven District Directors were ratified by Board Director Willa Johnston.

Correspondence from Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs advised the W.I. of the upcoming structural change which will be better able to serve rural districts. President Ann McLean, in her address, spoke on the theme expressing desire as the new District of Elgin County Women's Institutes, to combine efforts to promote the activities of the Women's Institutes of Ontario. The new Elgin County District Women's Institute was to be effective following amalgamation at the afternoon session.

Reports of the secretary, treasurer, financial examiners, program co-ordinator, Public Relations Officer, Tweedsmuir History curator, Farm Safety representative and Elgin County Pioneer Museum were presented as well as a Cancer Tea report. Boxall W.I. Branch will host this event in Fingal United Church October 24th in the form of a Coffee Break.

Following the noon luncheon the Elgin County W.I.



FIRST EXECUTIVE FORMED – With the amalgamation of East and West into the Elgin County District Women's Institute last week, history was made in the organization. Local W. I. members installed on the new executive include, left to right: Eleanor McMillan, public relations officer; Ann McLean, president; Grace Campbell, secretary-treasurer, and Rena Campbell, Elgin County Pioneer Museum representative.

Fame June 14th; noon luncheon at Erland Lee Home June 16th; Elgin County Pioneer Museum Strawberry Social June 24th; Farm Safety Day Camp at Belmont Community Centre, Straffordville, July 15th; London Area Convention, October 22nd in Kirkton-Woodham Community Centre; Cancer Coffee Break at Fingal United Church October 24th.

Entertainment was provided by the Kingsmill Mapleton W.I. Branch.

Yarmouth Glen Branch extended an invitation to all branches to attend the 1999 District Annual, with date at place to be announced later.

Mary Veenstra extended courtesies for the day. Singing of 'O' Canada concluded the meeting.

Scholarship was presented to Mary Margaret Vanhoucke by Grace Campbell, chair of this committee.

Betty Van Patter and Grace Campbell reviewed the past history of Elgin East and Elgin West Districts followed by a candle lighting service uniting the two districts as one and to be known in future as the Elgin County District Women's Institute. The afternoon session commenced with singing "Hymn of all Nations".

Wallacetown Branch led in the In Memoriam service.

The Ratification of District Directors for the Elgin County District Women's Institute was conducted by Provincial Board Director Willa Johnston.

New By-laws for the District were approved. London Area President Gladys Egleton installed the 1998-99 Executive as follows:

President, Ann McLean, Port Stanley; 1st vice-president, Madeline Jenkins, Belmont; 2nd vice-president, Mary Veenstra, St. Thomas; secretary-treasurer, Grace Campbell, Iona Station; program co-ordinator, Pauline Lindsay, St. Thomas; assistant program co-ordinator, Julie Morden, Rodney; Public Relations

Officer, Eleanor McMillan, Dutton; Resolutions, Betty Van Patter, St. Thomas; Tweedsmuir Curator, Evelyn Hashal, Springfield; assistant curator, Sally McIntyre, Dutton; Pioneer Museum representatives Rena Campbell and Marion McKenzie; Farm Safety, Shirley Bechard and Mary Ann Caughell; Financial Examiners, Joanne Erickson and Joan Mansell. Provincial Board Director Willa Johnston presented the report of the FWIO March meeting noting that Branch membership fees are to be submitted May 31st beginning in '98 to district treasurers.

Upcoming dates to remember included Induction of Peggy Knapp into Milton

Farm Museum Hall of



W. Elgin District W.I members 100th Anniversary of W.I



Hon. James Snow, Minister

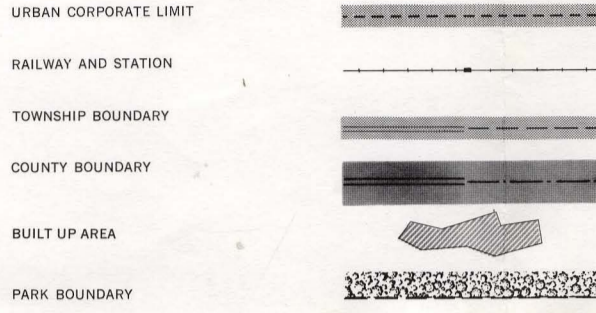
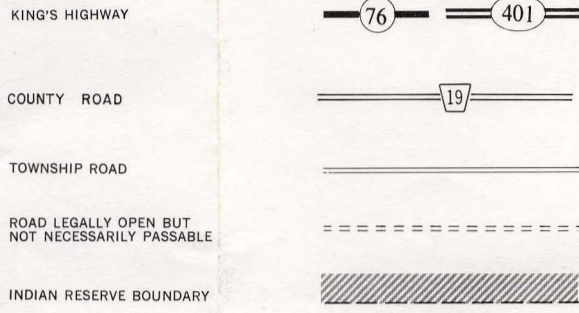
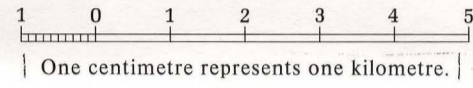


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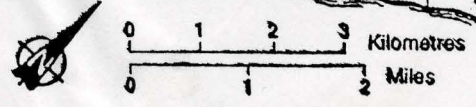
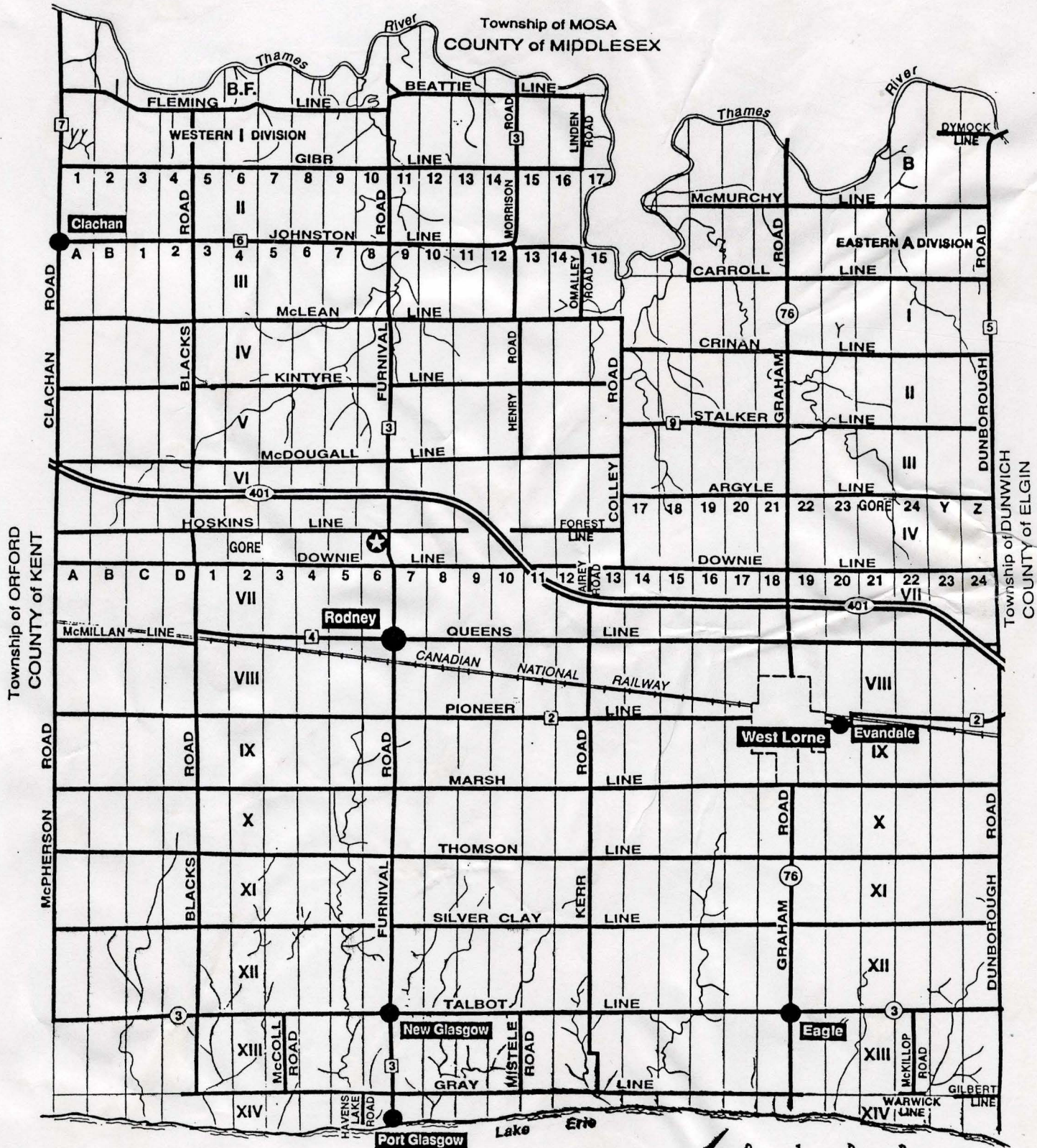
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Township of ALDBOROUGH



★ TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL OFFICES

MAY 1986

1996



McDougall home 1985

McDougall

Lot A, Concession 5, Aldb.

This farm was purchased from the crown in 1858 by N.M. and Sarah McDougall. The present frame house was built in 1883 by Neil and Christena McDougall. The property is now owned by Donald and Margaret McDougall.

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Christena
 Margaret
 MARGARET MCD

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The following farm history is to be used for your farm history in the Tweedsmuir History which will contain our local community history and is being completed by the Women's Institute, to be kept as a permanent record for CANADIAN HISTORY.

1. Who were your ancestors who first settled in Canada? *Wm & Sarah McDougall 1858*
2. Where were they from? *Island of Uist - Scotland.*
3. Their family (briefly) *Neil, Alex, Nancy, Flora, Sarah, Laura, St Thomas - Detroit died 1942*
Home BC Died 21 35 35
4. Your parentage and family, listing same and present abode. *Clarence McDougall Ridgeway
Florence Marshall. (Deceased)*
5. Why did your ancestors choose this tract of land. *Open for settlement*
6. How many acres originally in the tract? *Lot, concession, twp. 72 acres*
7. Original cost per acre *$\$ \frac{1}{3}$ Lot A S Athborough.*
8. Purchased from whom? When? *Crown 1858*
9. When was first house built? Where? of What? How large? *1858 Log*
10. First barn. Where? How large? Type? *Log barn 1858 34x48 First framed barn - 1882 (about)*
11. Early livestock *Team of oxen cows*
12. Water system *wells*
13. When was present house built? By whom? *1883, - by Neil & Christina.*
14. Installation of electricity *1926*
15. Telephone system, name of, etc. *1914 - Athborough Farmers' Telephone Co.*
16. Installation of indoor plumbing *1945*
17. When was present barn built? Type? Size? *1964 - pole const - 120x32*
18. Type of farming through the years - *Mixed*
19. Special crops, when grown, acreage *Sugar beets 3yrs during 1920s*
20. Outstanding yields
21. Any additions or sales from original tract? When? To whom?
22. Additions to buildings? When? *one barn 24x36 in 1908 since removed*
23. Fires - cause and when *Log house burnt in 1892 by 3yr old Flora.*
24. Orchards - when and what *$\frac{1}{2}$ acre - apples*
25. History of Antiques or old implements. Any pictures?
26. Reforestation
27. Outstanding seasons remembered
28. Present acreage as of 1974. - *72 acres*



Morden

Lot 4, Concession 6, Alder.
In 1877 the owner of this property
was L. Hiram Cline.
In 1920 Alex Colthart bought this
75 acres with a V.L.A. mortgage
from his aunt Mrs. McVicar, who
was the mother of Mrs. J. D. Scott
and Mrs. Albert Liebner.

In 1965 Earl and Hilde Morden purchased the farm. In 1975
an addition was made, the original house renovated and the Morden
family made it their home. Photo taken in 1982 when occupants
were Earl, Hilde and daughters Carol, Jill and Julie.



Johnston

Lot 4, Concession 4, Aldb.
Mr. + Mrs. John Moore were
owners until 1944.

Owned by Mr. + Mrs. Harold
Johnston 1945 - 1974.

Photo - March 1976 ice storm

Lot 4, Concession 3, Aldb.
Residence of Mr. + Mrs.
Harold Johnston.
Photo January 1977 snow storm.



January /77



Lot 4, Concession 4.
Farm and home of
Mrs and Mrs. Cliff
Johnston since 1974.
Photo 1985.

Johnston



Lot 5, S $\frac{1}{2}$, Concession 3, Aldborough

Farm and home of Nelson and Nilla Johnston. Photo 1986

In 1830 the crown sold the land to James W. Strachan.

In 1848 Strachan sold it to the Trustees of the University of Kingston.

In 1856 Queen's College sold it to Donald McLean.

In 1863 Donald McLean sold this 100 acres to Dugald McLean.

In 1883 Andrew Allan bought the land for \$6000.

In 1913 John Allan bought it. He also owned the other 50 acres now with the farm since 1910. S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Lot 4

In 1924 the owner was ^{Bill} John Scott.

In 1950 Nelson and Nilla Johnston bought the farm.

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Present Owners - Nelson and Wella Johnston

Location - South half of Lot 5 Con. 3 and S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Lot 4

Date - February 1986

Occupation - mixed farming

Original Owners were

- 1/ In 1830 the crown sold the land to James W Strachan
- 2/ In 1848 Strachan sold it to the Trustees of the University of Kingston
- 3/ In 1856 Queen's College sold it to Donald M^cLean
- 4/ In 1863 Donald M^cLean sold this 100 acres to Dugaad M^cLean.
- 5/ In 1883 Andrew Allan bought the land for [£]6000
- 6/ In 1913 John Allan bought it. He also owned the other fifty acres now with the farm (S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Lot #4) since 1910.
- 7/ In 1924th owner was John Scott
- 8/ In 1958 Nelson & Wella bought the farm.



M^c Intyre

Lot 2, Conc. 1, Aldborough
This home built in 1965
is owned by Elgin and
Florence M^c Intyre. The
original frame home to the
right was demolished in
1986. The original owners

of this property, Peter and Jane M^c Intyre, bought this land in
1849 from the crown. Alexander and Emma M^c Intyre owned
the land after his father's death in 1862. The next owners were
their son John A. and wife Lilly Belle M^c Intyre. The present
owners are their son J. Elgin and Florence M^c Intyre.



Verhoeven

Lot 1, S $\frac{1}{2}$, Concession 2, Aldb.

The original home burned due to a chimney fire. This house was built in 1967 by George Vandebroek on the sight of the original house. Lumber salvaged from an old church was used. Floor beams are of giant redwood.

In 1971 the property was purchased by Jim (Johannes)

and (Maria) Louise Verhoeven. Photo 1984. Present residents are Jim, Louise, Theresa 1971, Luke 1972, Jason 1974 and Diane 1975.

Woolner



Home of Mr. & Mrs.
Gordon Woolner Photo 1945

W $\frac{1}{2}$ Lot 3, Con. 2, Aldb.

This property was first purchased from the crown in 1867 by Henry Ross Archer. It was owned for a short time by Duncan Mc Coll and then by Railton Smith. In 1877 Jacob Woolner purchased the property. His son Martin Woolner took over in 1890 and in 1942 Gordon Woolner became owner. Since 1980 his son Allan Woolner has owned the land.

The original log home on this property was replaced by a large red brick house in the late 1800s. This was home for the Martin Woolner and Gordon Woolner families. Another house was built on this farm in 1958 by Allan Woolner and his wife Lois.



Home of Mr. & Mrs. Allan Woolner Photo 1985

Long



Orville Long lives
here now. formerly owned by
Mr + Mrs. Garnet Long, his
grandparents.
Lot 3. Conc. 3 N.W. Ald. Twp

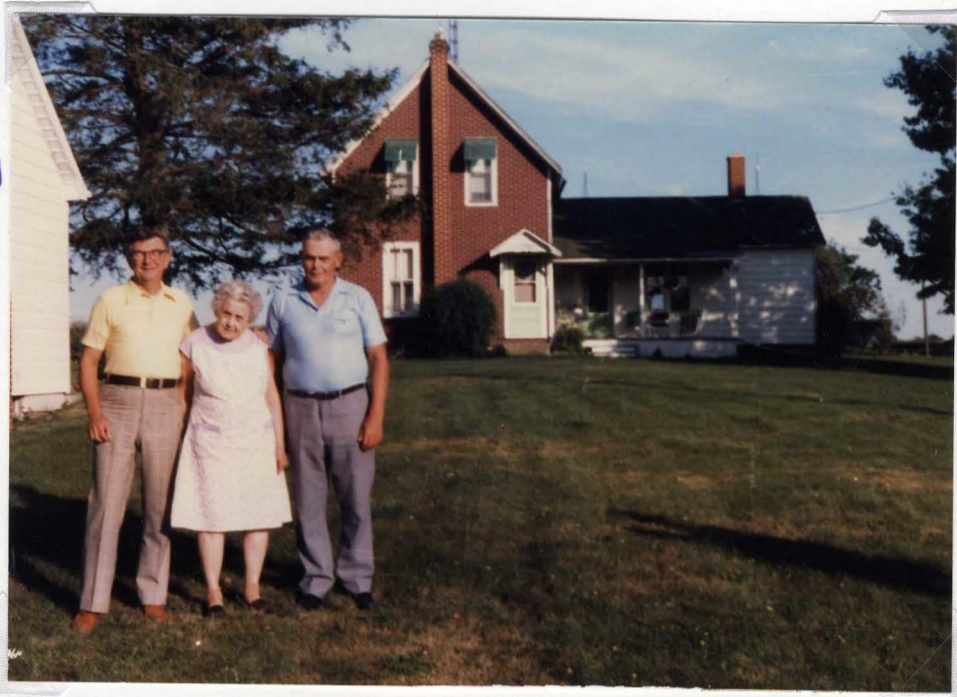


Home of Don Eyles + Ellen Robson
Built 1993/4
Lot 11. Conc. 2 Aldborough Twp.
Land bought from McPhail Bros.
Don + Duncan 1992.

Mann

Lot 3 Con. 1

1921. Jimmie
+ Rebecca (Willish)
Manns occupied
the home after
the death of
Agnes in 1935
They had 2
children Lyle +
Ruth



Purchased by
Henry + Agnes
Mann from
Al Campbell
in 1894. They
raised 10 boys
+ 1 girl at this
home



Home of Lyle + Norma Mann 1996

Rebecca remained at the farm until 1986. Jimmie passed
away in 1983. The farm house was demolished in
1995 when the farm was sold to Alan McDiTye.

In September 1952 Lyle Mann married Norma Patterson
+ at that time they built a house in front and
slightly to the north east of the existing farm house.



Present Owner - Randy Newport. Purchased from Lorne Newport in 19... Lorne & Dorothy Newport purchased the farm from the King family.

Peter King was born in Munich, Germany in 1838. He came to Canada as a teenager. He married a Mennonite girl from Pennsylvania. They resided in Clinton Township. In 1872 they came to Aldborough Township and bought 70 acres S.P. of Lot 8 Con. 1. The land at that time was measured in links & chains. In 1884 he bought the south easterly part of the property consisting of 25 acres. There was a log house on the farm and in 1883 the brick house which is on the farm now was built. Sylvester King was born in the log house but moved into the brick house that year. Sylvester married Mabel Mann in 1908 and took over the farm 1910. Peter King died in 1913.

19 house seen from farm. House was purchased by Steve & Loui Hyatt. Randy Newport owns farmland.

Newport - Lot 9 Con. 2.



1995

Present Owner
Eva Newport (wife
of the late Wellington
Newport
Purchased in 1950
from William and
Jean Sloan.
Previous owners
Dugald Purcell
and later his
son Allan.

Newport - Lot 9 Con. 1.



1995

Owner: Lorne
Newport

Bought in 1935 by
Russell & Irene
Newport from
William Dill.
After Russell
Newport's death
the farm was
sold to Robert
Gaye.
Lorne Newport,
Russell's grandson
bought the farm in
19

Farm history comes alive

Clachan W.I. Bus Trip

Aug 19, 1986

The museum, an outdoor complex portraying the evolution of agriculture in Ontario and situated eight kilometres west of Milton just off Highway 401, is fast becoming one of the major agricultural attractions in Ontario.

Spokesman Doreen Collins said the idea was conceived in 1966 but the museum was not officially opened until 1979. She said about 13,000 people visited the site the first year and attendance ballooned to about 50,000 visitors in 1985.

The museum is open seven days a week from mid-May to Thanksgiving weekend. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for students and seniors and there is a family rate of \$7.50.

With more than 30 buildings and displays, it takes the better part of a full day to take in the sites.

And for many, it is a stroll down memory lane. For example, there is the Ford dealership, a replica of a 1928 garage with its two gravity-style Imperial gasoline pumps standing guard outside. There are meeting halls and barns, machines which have stood the test of the ages and which are all working, restored farm homes, a

replica of an 1860s farmstead, a pump works, a threshing machine barn, a shingles mill, tractor barns, a dairy display, a blacksmith's shop. You can stand for hours and watch a wheelwright work at his craft.

Besides the horses, cattle, pigs, sheep, chickens and ducks, there are the two friendly oxen who are moved to rise from an afternoon siesta only by the rustle and smell of fresh hay brought to the fence by one of the 90 museum employees.

Horse-drawn wagons circle through the site all day, loaded with foot-weary sightseers. They can watch Dave Sykes at work in the blacksmith shop without even alighting.

The museum concentrates on three major facets of Ontario's rural heritage. First is the series of farmsteads which recall both the domestic and agricultural duties of the farm. And here, if the timing is right, there is always a chance of scooping some goodies from the attendants who bake on the old-fashioned wood-burning stoves.

The crossroads communities contain theme buildings which represent services, such as those supplied to rural women by the Women's Institute, and there is a WI hall which was in operation in 1928.

The third facet is covered by a series of display buildings consisting of various agriculture-related industries and which, according to museum officials, house one of the largest agricultural equipment collections in North America.



Cathy Johnston, Marg. Dickson, Marg McDougall, Betty Purcell

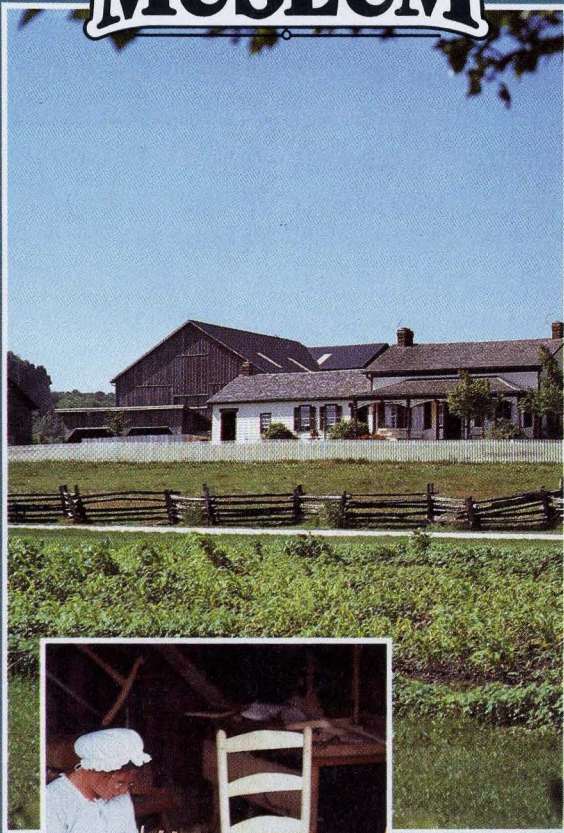
Marg Dickson
Cathy Johnston
Marg. McDougall
Betty Purcell





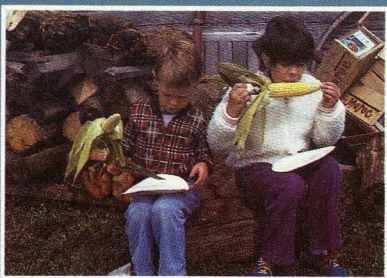
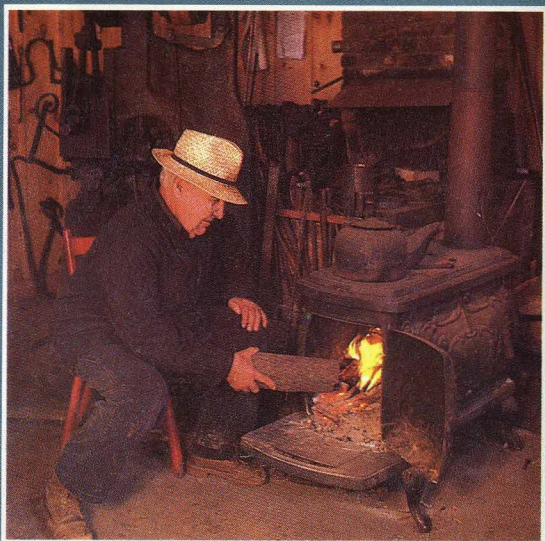
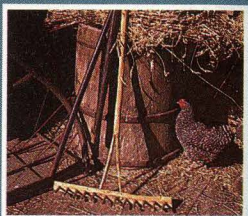
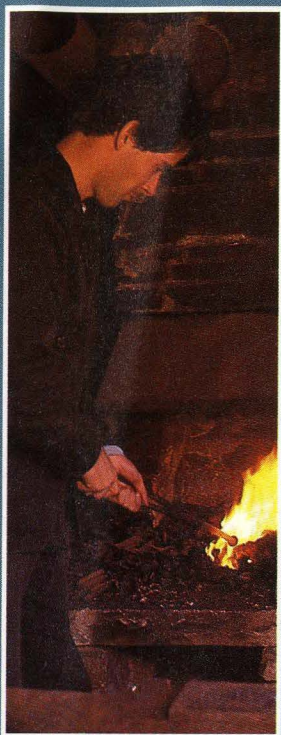
Community Residents

ONTARIO AGRICULTURAL MUSEUM

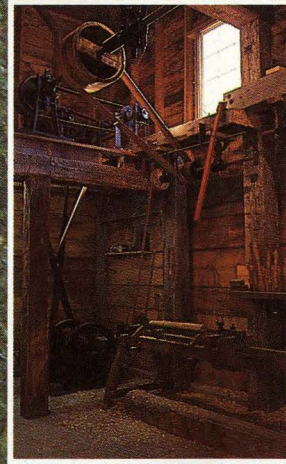
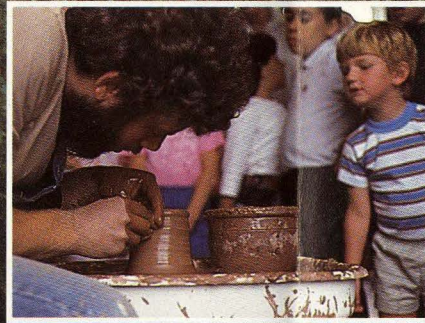
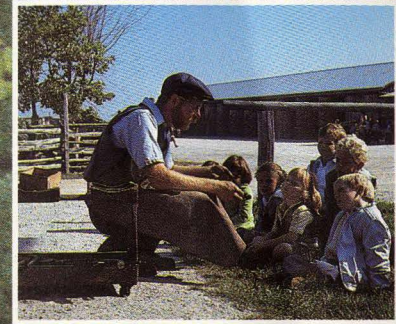
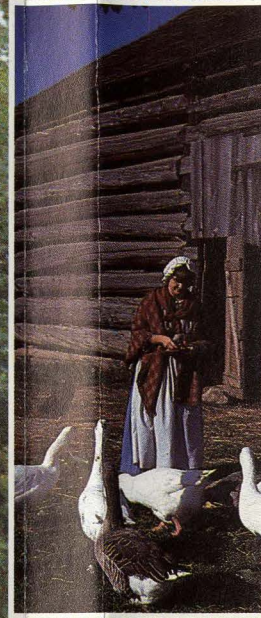
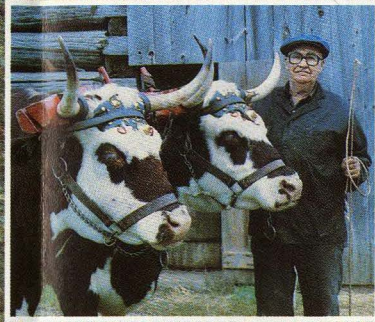


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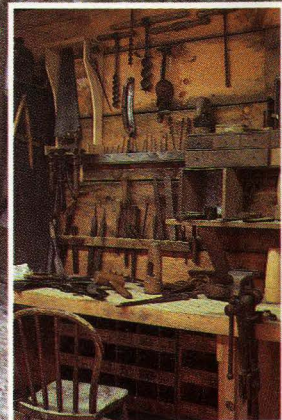




A WARM WELCOME
AWAITS YOU AT THE
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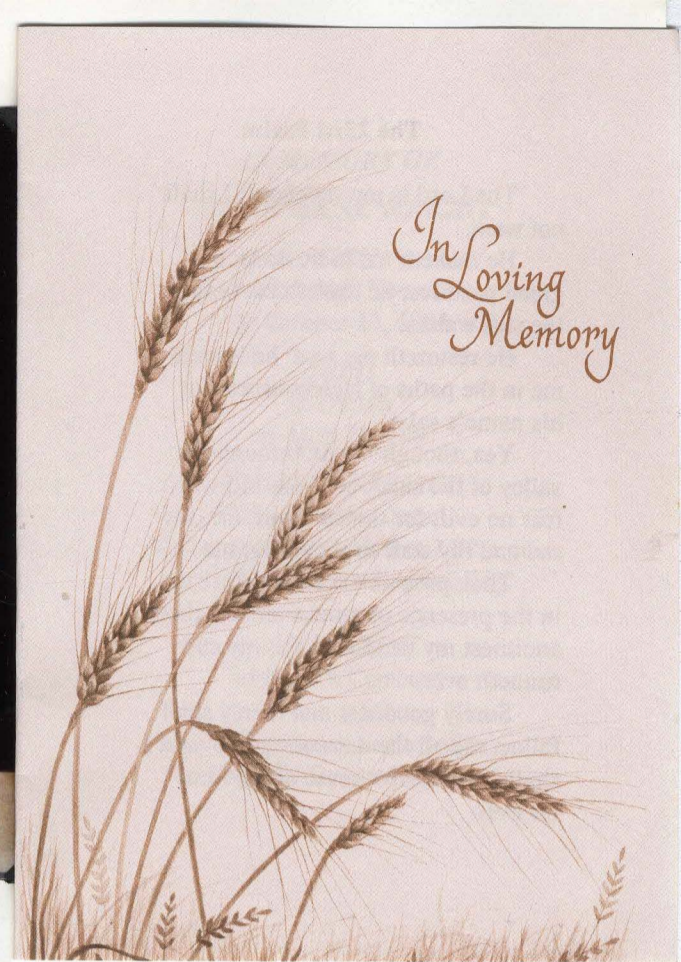
Discover a 32 hectare living, working site of over 30 buildings and displays depicting the evolution of agriculture in Ontario.

Farming activities, costumed interpreters demonstrating rural crafts and special events will highlight your visit.

Discover Ontario's rural roots while spending a relaxing day in the country!



Mr. & Mrs. William Wright celebrate 60th Wedding Anniversary Feb. 1985



Mrs. Cassie Campbell celebrated her 100th birthday on September 22nd, 1986. She is the oldest living charter member of Clackan W.I.

The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
 He leadeth me beside the still waters.
 He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the
 paths of righteousness for His name's sake.
 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
 shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
 for thou art with me; thy rod and
 thy staff they comfort me.
 Thou preparest a table before me in the
 presence of mine enemies:
 thou anointest my head with oil;
 my cup runneth over.
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow
 me all the days of my life:
 and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
 for ever.

IN MEMORY OF
 MRS. CASSIE CAMPBELL

BORN
 in Aldborough Township,
 on September 22nd, 1886.

DIED
 in Newbury,
 on March 26th, 1988.

FUNERAL SERVICE
 Padfield Funeral Home, Rodney,
 on Monday, March 28th, at 2:30 P.M.

CLERGY
 The Rev. N. Schlarbaum

INTERMENT
 in Purcell Cemetery.

The image features a delicate, sepia-toned illustration of several wheat stalks. The stalks are thin and arching, with their heads of grain pointing upwards and to the right. Fine, wispy awns extend from the grain heads, giving the impression of a gentle breeze. The background is a light, textured wash of pale blue and cream. In the upper right quadrant, the words "In Loving Memory" are written in a classic, flowing cursive script. The overall composition is simple and evocative, typical of early 20th-century memorial cards.

*In Loving
Memory*

The 23rd Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies; thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

IN MEMORY OF

LILLIE IRENE WRIGHT

BORN

in Aldborough Township
on October 13, 1904

DIED

in Dutton
on April 20, 1997

FUNERAL SERVICE

The Rodney Chapel
Wednesday, April 23rd at 2:00 p.m.
Rev. K. Hildebrandt officiating

INTERMENT

McLean's Cemetery

*Arrangements entrusted to
Padfield Funeral Homes*



Bert and Doris McIntyre
married 50 years, Nov. 5, 1988



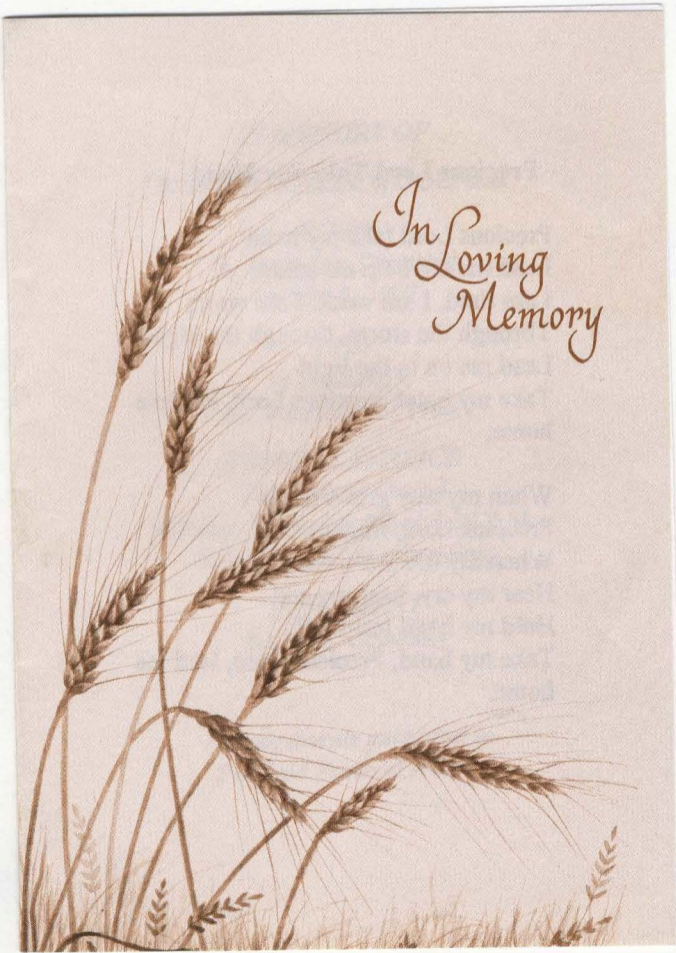
Roy and Betty Alderton
married 50 years, Dec 23, 1989



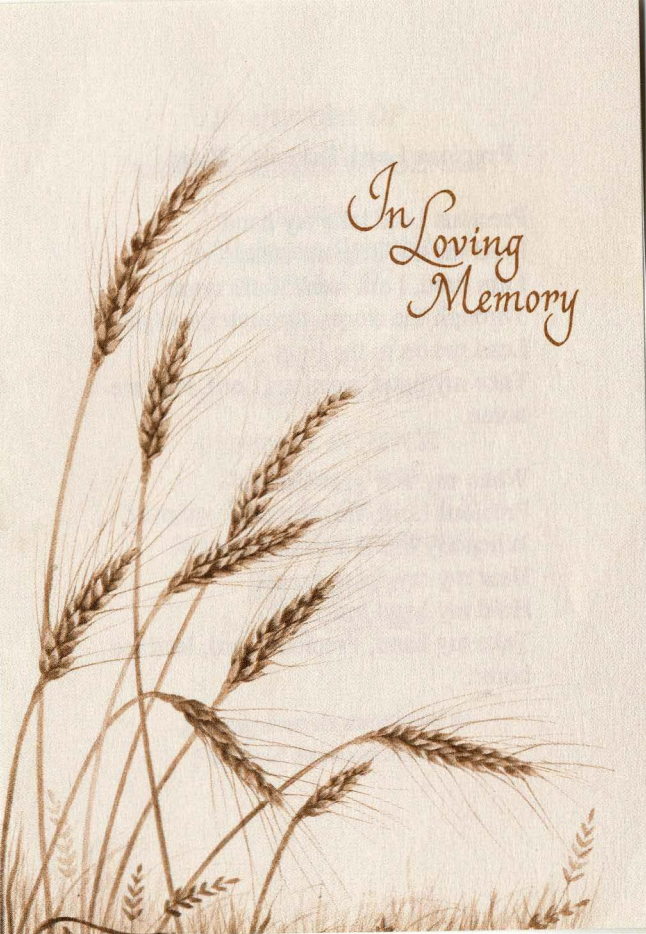
Arthur & Louise Long
50th wedding anniversary
Aug. 24, 1996



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*In Loving
Memory*



Precious Lord Take My Hand

Precious Lord take my hand
Lead me on, help me stand;
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me
home.

When my way grows drear
Precious Lord, linger near,
When my life is almost gone
Hear my cry, hear my call
Hold my hand lest I fall;
Take my hand, Precious Lord, lead me
home.

IN MEMORY OF

NORINE MARIE WOOLNER

BORN

in Euphemia Township
on July 5, 1907

DIED

in Wardsville
on December 6, 1996

FUNERAL SERVICE

The Rodney Chapel
Monday, December 9th at 1:30 P.M.
Rev. Ralph Fluit officiating

INTERMENT

McLean Cemetery

***Arrangements entrusted to
Padfield Funeral Homes***

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Aldborough's Oldest Resident.

Duncan Campbell, Rodney.

Honorary President of the Aldborough Old Boy Association, which will hold its picnic at the old historic grounds of Port Glasgow, on July 27th, is hale and hearty in mind and body being only occasionally indisposed from infirmities of old age creeping on. He was born in Parish of Kilmartin,

Argyleshire, Scotland, January 2, 1819, and is at present over 85 years of age.

His parents left Scotland in 1819 and after an ocean voyage of nine weeks landed at Quebec and after travelling from there by land and water finally landed from a schooner, commanded by Captain Duncan McCall on "Cronch Welly" a high promontory on the shores of Lake Erie at old Port Glasgow, being now nearly washed away by the waters of the lake. Amongst those who accompanied him across the ocean were Donald Patterson, Duncan Patterson, piper, Arch McArthur, John Livingstone. The three former settled on Back Street, where some of their descendants are still residing in the township. His grandfather and father took up 50 acres each, from Col. Talbot on Middle Street, which property remained in the hands of Mr. Campbell until a few years ago. His father was killed while blasting rock in building the Welland canal six years after coming to this country, which left the family without that support which was so necessary in the pioneer days.

During the rebellion of 1837, the subject of this sketch, although not yet in manhood, was called to the front. With others he travelled on foot during the winter of 1837-38 to Amherstburg in charge of Captain Archibald Gillis, Captain Hugh McCowan and the late Lieut. Col. George Munro, who was then also a young man. The party were to take such arms with them as the settlement afforded. Less than a dozen old flint lock guns were in the party. John Mc Intyre had a Lochaber axe with a long handle, used by his ancestors in the battle of Culloden. This battle axe can be seen as a relic at the Aldboro' P.O. Another volunteer had a sword used by his great grandfather at the same battle under command of the Campbells of Argyle. Some had old dirks, one of which was used at the famous Heights of Killiecrankie. These were the weapons to be used in case they met the enemy. Guns were afterward supplied them at Amherstburg. The provisions for the trip were served out once a day from the provision wagons of Geif Buchan (father of D. N. Buchan) and John Mc Bride.

Money was a scarce commodity in those days and fifty cents was all the money this soldier had for his return trip, twenty five cents was paid for a jack knife to cut the pork and hard ~~stuck~~ tack, which he ate while at the front, as no luxury, such as a knife and fork, not even a bed, were furnished

any one, the other twenty-five cents was spent on his return trip home to Moepeth in having a good time commemorating the safe return to him and his comrades after the war. After residing several years on Middle Street, he with A. Brodie, and A. Currie removed to the western part of the township, on the Plains in 1843, and cleared up a farm on which his son John resides. He took an active interest in municipal matters in the early days and was the first to organize a school in his district, being trustee for many years and served the township as councillor for seven years, the Reeves at that time being Mal. Mc'Dougall, John Mc'Dougall and John Mc'Killip. During his term in council many of the roads in the township were opened up under his direction. In 1851 he married Jane Mc'Lean, a resident of Aldboro' and after sharing with him for many years the hard work of early pioneer days and of late years enjoying the comforts and pleasures of their early industry, died in 1899. Mr. Campbell is at present residing on his homestead with his son Colin, and from his long residence in this section can give more history of people and events of the early days in the township than any other person. His family consists of Colin, John and Dugald, farmers living in the township. Colin being trustee of Rodney public school. Mrs. David Patterson, Rodney and Mrs. J. Nevells, Ohio

He is a member of the Rodney
Presbyterian Church, and in politics,
a staunch Liberal Conservative. He has
always done his share in clearing away
the forest and making the township one of
fertile farms and in furthering the
best interests of the community in which
he has lived as a public and private
citizen. Mr. Campbell has all the
comforts of life to add to his longevity,
and we hope he may live long to enjoy
those blessings and comforts and with
all of us he may be able to attend the
Old Boy Picnic at Port Glasgow on July 27th

Passing Away of an Old Pioneer 1911

Died at his residence on Queen Street east of Rodney, on Thursday, March 9 Duncan Campbell, aged 92 years, 1 month 11 days.

The late Duncan Campbell was born in the parish of Kilmartin, Argyleshire, Scotland, on Jan 23rd, 1819 and was brought by his parents to Aldborough in the same year. After an ocean voyage of nine weeks, the party landed at Quebec, and travelling from there by land and water finally landed on "Crock Kelly" on the shore of Lake Erie, where Port Glasgow now stands. The family first took up land from Col. Talbot, on Middle Street, where they resided for a number of years. Mr Campbell's father was killed while working on the Welland Canal, six years after coming to Canada. During the rebellion of 1837 the deceased although not yet in manhood was called to the front, travelling on foot to Amherstburg in company with a number of others of the early settlers.

In 1843 Mr Campbell removed to Aldborough Plains where he took up and cleared additional land and organized the first school in that part of the township of which he was trustee for many years. Mr Campbell took an active interest in public affairs, being a member of the Council for seven years.

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Mr Campbell was a member of the Rodney Presbyterian Church and a Conservative in politics. He was the last of the first Scottish settlers to land in Aldborough and his death removed the last link connecting the present with that time long ago when these sturdy people left the hills of Scotland to make homes for themselves in the wilds of Canada.

Although the day was cold, rainy and bleak, a very large concourse of friends gathered at the funeral on Sunday afternoon and could not all find seats in the church.

The funeral took place Sunday afternoon, the service being conducted in the Presbyterian Church by Rev. Mr Falconer. The attendance was very large. The pall bearers were T. Co. Campbell, A. J. Mitchell, W. J. Buchan, O. R. G. Stenson, C. Martini and Angus McHarty.

Those present at the funeral from a distance were John, Dugald and Angus McHarty, Cass City Michigan, nephews of the deceased; Duncan Campbell, Aylmer, John Campbell Detroit grandsons Mrs Mrs Foster Dundas, St Thomas, William Logan, Sandison and Miss Kate Sinclair Blenheim.

Janice Mann, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Lyle Mann
 Queen of Rodney Fair, Sept. 1985
 Sponsored by Clackam Women's Institute



The Rodney Mercury, Thursday, September 19, 1985 11



RODNEY FAIR QUEEN AND HER COURT float placed third in the service club category and carried new Fair Queen

Janice Mann, seated at right, and runner-up Tracey Okolisan in white, centre. Other contestants were: Mona McDonald, Ash-

lynn Nethercott, Suzanne Audet, Brenda Fodor, Sandra VanDyk, standing, and Tammy Vanderloo seated.

Rodney boy first to receive WI scholarship

By Geraldine Campbell
Public Relations Officer

History was made Oct. 16 at the presentation of the Maryn Parly scholarship at the London Area Women's Institute convention banquet.

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ANNE MARIE KLEINJAN was crowned Rodney Fair Queen on Friday night's program, by retiring Queen Saria Reynolds (not pictured). Judy Woolner was the runner-up. Susan Fisher and Tracy Tunks also competed. Anne Marie is the daughter

of Peter Kleinjan, and was the Lions Club's contestant. Judy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Woolner, was Clachan Women's Institute's candidate. Susan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Fisher, was the Kiwanis Club's choice, and Tracy, daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Lynn Tunks, represented the Ladies' Home Craft Division of the Agricultural Society. Each made excellent addresses during the program on what Rodney Fair means to them, making it difficult for the two male judges to determine a winner.

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Rodney boy first to receive WI scholarship

By Geraldine Campbell
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In 1972 Mrs. Pardy was chairman of the committee that wrote the book "Ontario Women's Institute Story".

After her death in 1973 a scholarship was set up in her honour by the London Area Women's Institute.

This year's three recipients are worthy winners of a scholarship that honours a woman who used her talents for the benefit of other.

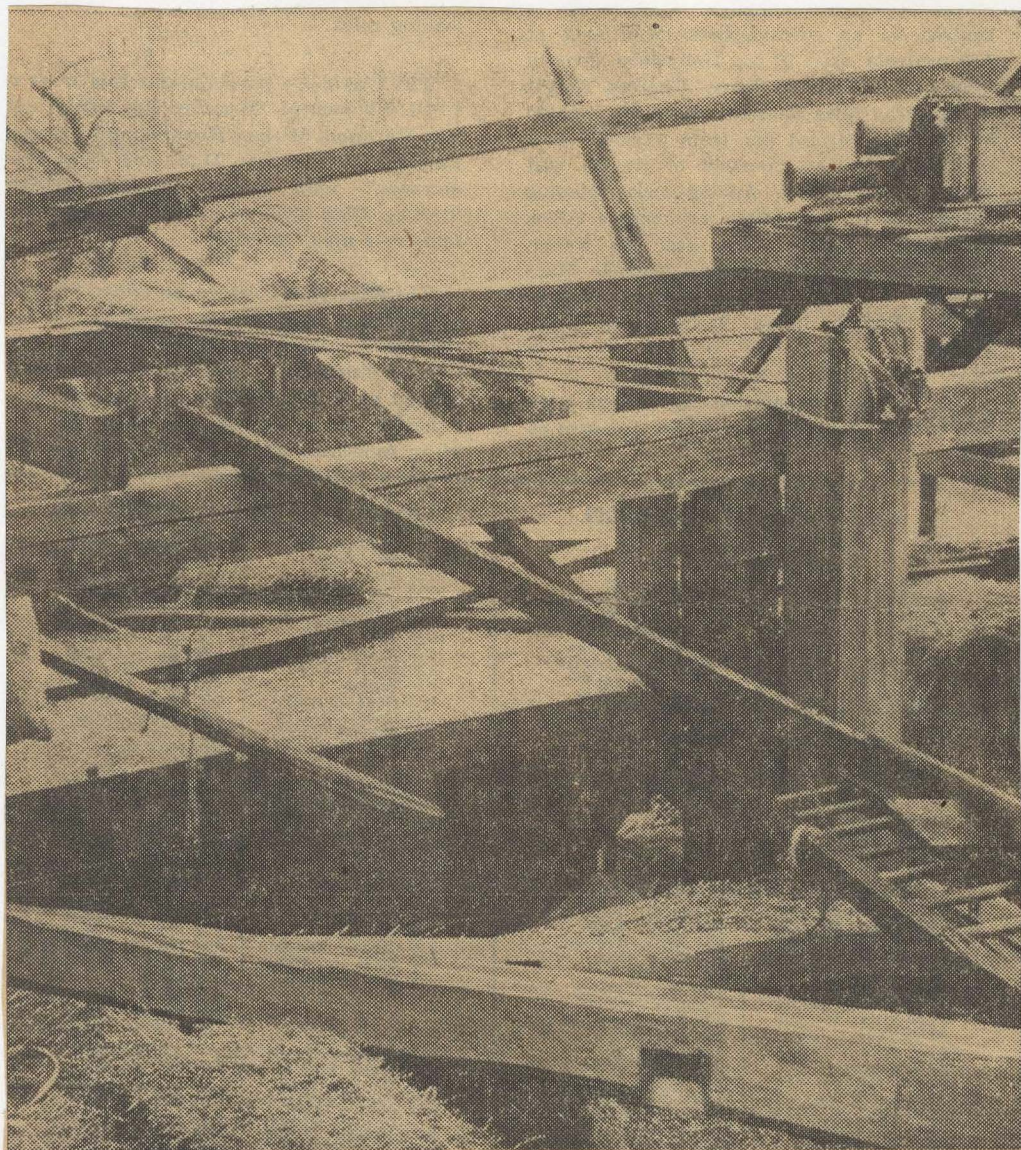


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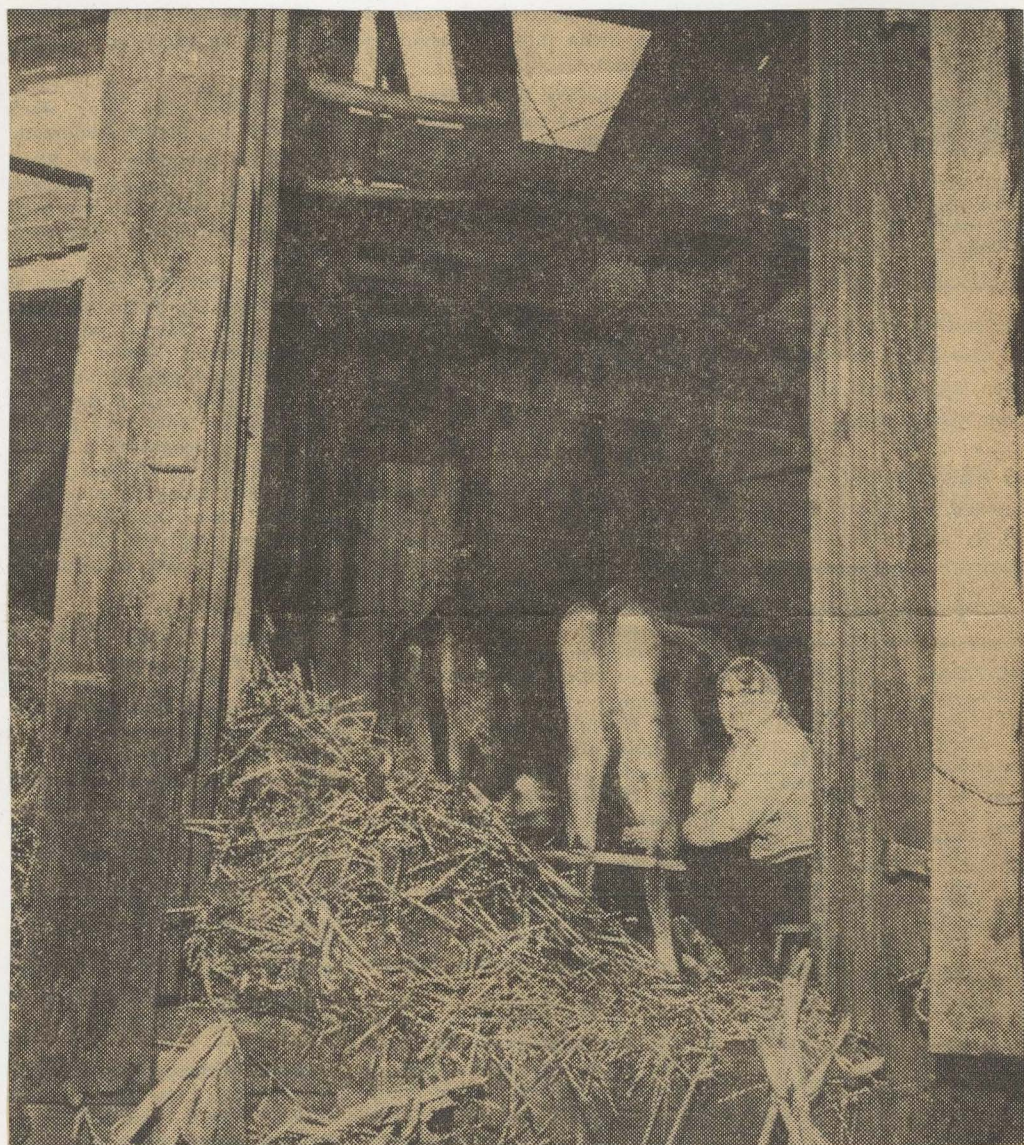
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Area Barns Blown Down, 'Bossie' Doesn't Mind



—Free Press Photo by Bill Smith
Forty cattle in the barn of Gordon Woolner, RR 1, Wardsville, escaped unharmed when the huge barn in which they were stabled blew away in the storm that hit the area. Two more barns on the same side of the road were demolished but the barns on the other side of the road were left untouched.



—Free Press Photo by Terry Honey
The fact that the barn blew down during the storm didn't affect Bossie in the slightest and the milking program was carried out by Mrs. Ruth Johnston, of RR 3, Bothwell, yesterday morning on schedule. Above, Mrs. Johnston milks under gaping holes in the roof of the stable left by the gale.



1984 - Annie Long
Clachan W.S. 60th Anniversary



1984 - Fran Wright & Patricia (Wright) Schneider

A.C.W.W. Conference 1986, Kilarney Ireland

Shirley Johnston member
of Clackan N.I. attended the
A.C.W.W. conference in Kilarney
Ireland in 1986.

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Associated Country Women of the World plan 1986 conference

Green is the colour for Women's Institute members this May. Not only is it Spring and Women's Institute members are springing forth into action as a vital organization for farm and rural women. The National President Mrs. Beatrice Reeves has stated that all Women's Institute members, whether their interest is at the plough or on the table have a duty to work for the long term benefits of the agriculture industry. The Women's Institute members have been very active supporters of the farming industry in the past and will continue to do so in the future.

However many Women's Institute members are also thinking the Green of Ireland. The 18th ACWW (Associated Country Women of the World) Conference is being held at Killarney, Ireland, May 20th-27th. The theme is "Focus on the family" and will provide a forum for plenty of discussion, work and involvement. There will also be time to see an Irish Agricultural Exhibition, Irish Folk Theatre and all aspects of Irish family life hosted by the Irish Country Women's Association.

Federated Women's Institute (FWIO) of Ontario is sending five voting delegates. As well many Women's Institute members from London Area will be attending as non-voting participants. These participants will have the opportunity to meet and discuss the issues of rural life with delegates

from over 60 countries.

ACWW was formed through the vision of Mrs. Alfred Watt from Collingwood, Ontario, an active Women's Institute member, who organized the Womens Institute in England and Wales. Through her travels she saw the advantages of uniting the world's rural women that they may better understand the conditions and needs of each other and improve their welfare and home life through a greater knowledge and close association. The ACWW was founded in Stockholm, Sweden in 1933 with Mrs. Watt the first President. This organization has now grown to include farm and rural women from over 300 different organizations in over 67 countries and numbers over 9 1/2 million members. The ACWW is the only international organization representing country women, farm women and homemakers. The ACWW is one of the non-governmental organizations of the United Nations with consultative status. Whether by the giving of scholarships, or money to groups for a specific project, reports, seminars, workshops on specific topics, or discussion with governments or officials of the United Nations the influence and work of the ACWW will continue to unite the farm and rural women of the world.

The Women's Institute in Canada are proud that the present President of ACWW is a Womens Institute

member Dr. Ellen McLean and that one of the Area Vice Presidents is Senator Martha Beilish, also a Women's Institute member.

The influence of the farm or rural woman who belongs to Women's Institute is felt not only in her own community but throughout the world.

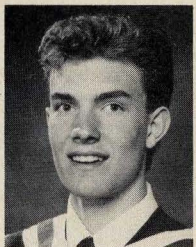
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Miss Hedwig Van Asten was the Ontario recipient of the Petro Canada 4-H Youth Leadership Award for 1987.

Hedwig began her 4-H career as a member of the Clackan 4-H Homemaking Club.

The 1987 Petro-Canada 4-H Youth Leadership Awards



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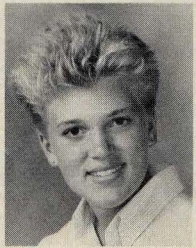
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Miss Hedwig Van Asten
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Quebec



Miss Kathy Nicol
Albert,
New Brunswick



Miss Monica MacKinnon
Antigonish,
Nova Scotia



Miss Leesa MacLeod
Montague,
Prince Edward Island



Miss Karen Kane
Trinity Bay,
Newfoundland

Petro-Canada is pleased to announce the recipients of the 4-H Youth Leadership Awards.

Each year, Petro-Canada funds 10 educational assistance awards to 4-H members who have made outstanding contributions to the betterment of their local communities. The awards help young members pay their first year university or college costs: tuition, books and lodging.

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tion has been providing leadership training for young Canadians for more than 70 years.

4-H has a proud record of service in Canada and at Petro-Canada we're just as proud to be sponsors. It is part of our on-going commitment to serve the communities in which we make our living.





Dorothy Futcher

Hall of Famer remembered

By Heather Buchanan

An Elgin County woman has been nominated for induction to the Ontario Agriculture Hall of Fame Gallery.

Dorothy Futcher, a long-time resident of the St. Thomas area, will be posthumously inducted into the Hall of Fame gallery along with five others during a special ceremony in June 1988.

The ceremony will bring the total number of people honoured to 68, whose likenesses, accompanied by a citation outlining their contributions, are on public display at the Ontario Agricultural Museum in Milton.

As a provincial non-profit organization, the association was created for the sole purpose of recognizing those who made significant contributions to Ontario agriculture.

Mrs. Futcher's contributions both to community and church were outstanding. She was a member of First United Church and an active member of the United Church Women.

She served as president of the Middlemarch Women's Institute, West Elgin District, board director and president of the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario. She participated at two world conferences in Toronto and Copenhagen, Denmark.

Betty Van Patter, past provincial board director W.I., says the influence of Mrs. Futcher on Women's Institute has been profound.

"She was the originator of the Officers Conference, an educational workshop for Women's Institute members, which was her dream," said Mrs. Van Patter.

She added by a means of a pooling fee it brought women from all over Ontario at a minimum cost for leadership development.

She said in 1953 she was honoured with a life membership in Federated Women's Institute of Canada a coveted award for her contribution and dedication to women across Canada.

She received the Canadian badge after serving as Program and Hospitality chairman for the Triennial Conference in Canada the same year.

Mrs. Futcher was a member of the board of directors of the Ontario Agricultural College and was later recognized for her contribution to agriculture with the OAC medal.

She was appointed by the province to the Archeological and Historic Sites Board and served as a director of the Women's Division of the Royal Winter Fair Board.

She was founder and chairman of the Elgin County Pioneer Museum from 1954 to 1980.

Mrs. Van Patter said it was Mrs. Futcher's foresight in preserving history that gives the community a proud heritage.

In 1971, Mrs. Futcher was named Woman of the Year by the St. Thomas University Women's Club at the Talbot Shivarree.

Mrs. Futcher's daughter, Isabel Martin, said her brothers and sisters are thrill by the nomination.

"We're honoured because she's honoured. She had many honours in her life time," said Mrs. Martin.

She remembers her mother as a driving force with the capability and energy to master any task.

She said that love of work never diminished and she remained a member of Women's Institute even though arthritis in her knees kept her basically housebound for the last five years.

Mrs. Martin said her mother was always interested in the world around. She taught both public and continuation school for three years.

"She took great interest in our education," he said.

Mrs. Futcher, who died in 1984, was predeceased by her husband, J.R. (John) in 1981.

The couple's children are Robin Jeffery, Belleville, Allison Futcher, RR 1, St. Thomas and John Futcher, RR 1, St. Thomas and Isabel Martin, RR 8, St. Thomas.

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HILDE GERTRUD MORDEN 1932

A devoted worker in her community, Hilde Morden of Rodney, Ontario, is best known for her contributions to the betterment of rural life in Ontario.

Active at all levels of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, Hilde accepted two challenging positions as Program Co-ordinator and, later, as New Branch Organizer. As Program Co-ordinator, she worked with the Recycling Council of Ontario and was successful in encouraging all Women's Institute members to be part of the environmental movement, and later accepted an award from the Recycling Council on behalf of F.W.I.O. In her position as New Branch Organizer, Hilde developed the criteria for working with New Branch Organizers in each of the 14 areas in the province. As a result, several new branches were started across Ontario.

Hilde Morden's expertise has been sought by many organizations and she has served as a delegate to the 1st and 2nd National Farm Women's Conference, advisor to Southwestern Women for the Support of Agriculture and as a member of the Institute of Cultural Affairs. In 1986 she served on the Advisory Committee, Ridgetown College of Agricultural Technology. A source of knowledge and encouragement to many people, Hilde has acted as public speaker and seminar facilitator for human relations, communications, museum interpretation and parliamentary procedures.

In recognition of her service to the agricultural industry and the rural community, Hilde Morden has been awarded the Ontario Bicentennial Medal in 1984, O.M.A.F. Centennial Award in 1988, and the W.I. Certificate of Merit in 1991.

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1997 Inductees

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| 2. Malcolm Lodge Davidson | 1934-1970 |
| 3. H. Reginald Drysdale | 1907-1994 |
| 4. Gordon McGavin | 1905-1976 |
| 5. Hilde Gertrud Morden | 1932 |



Chairman: Ron Coutts

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| 1. Prelude of Music | Organist: Glen Wicks |
| 2. Welcome | Chairman |
| 3. National Anthem | O Canada,
Margaret McInroy, Leader |
| 4. Invocation | Helen Coutts, Member
Federated Women's Institutes of
Ontario |
| 5. Introduction of Skit | Maisie Lasby, Vice-President |
| 6. Skit | The C.E.O. of W.I.
Communication, Education
Organization |
| 7. Response | Ron Coutts, President |
| 8. Unveiling Ceremony | Murray Gaunt, CKNX Radio
Maisie Lasby, Vice-President |
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O Canada, our home and native land,
True patriot love in all thy sons command,
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The true north strong and free,
From far and wide, O Canada,
We stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land glorious and free,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee,
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started a wonderful
opportunity for me.

Only through the
support of family,
friends & community
can one accomplish
volunteer service

It was a proud moment
for me to have Lois & Allan
Shirley, Hilda & Nelson
Johnston at the unveiling
in Milton. Sincerely
Hilda

R. R. 1 Rodney NOL 200
June 16 1977

Dear Clachan H. I. Members:

Thankyou for the lovely
card of congratulations
& good wishes.

Thankyou also for your
generous contribution to
F. W. I. O. for the likeness.

It was 32 years ago
that Shirley Johnston
asked me to attend
a H. I. meeting in

Agricultural Hall of Fame inductee has served rural Ontario for years

by Jeffrey Carter

There's no lack of challenge for volunteers in rural Ontario. Hilde Morden of RR 1, Rodney can certainly attest to that. The Ontario Agricultural Hall of Fame inductee has been working as a volunteer in many different capacities for years.

"I'm a high energy person," says Morden. "By 9 a.m. I can have all of those machines working (bread-maker, dishwasher, etc.) and be in my office."

Morden's journey into the world of volunteerism began when her children were young. When she was asked to join the Clachan Women's Institute branch she jumped at the opportunity. "After a while of talking a lot to people who are just the height of the table, you find you need some outside interest," she jokes. "It's just what I needed."

Morden says she's gained much from her association with the WI. Along with meeting a lot of fine people, it's helped her hone her considerable leadership and organizational skills.

"You need to know how to delegate, organize and get support," she says.

It's important to remain focussed upon the goal, Morden adds. That keeps groups from becoming sidetracked. It's also important to look for the gifts and talents that people possess and bring them out.

"All people have gifts and talents. You can persuade them to use them," she says. "Sometimes they just need the opportunity."

Morden has a long list of accomplishments. She first joined the WI 32 years ago and she's also been active in her church and a variety of other rural-oriented organizations in her community including 4-H. A list of her current involvement provides you with a little insight overall record of volunteerism over the years. Morden is currently the vice-chair of the West Elgin Community Health Centre. She's the president of the Kintyre Women's Missionary Society. She's the resolutions convener for the Clachan WI. She the coordinator for lay pastoral care in her three-point-charge church.

She chairs the West Elgin Seniors Project Committee. She's a member of Missions for Kids. She is the treasurer, for the fifth year, of "Journey for Love", a group that puts on a yearly religious pageant in Rodney. Morden is also involved with the 100th anniversary celebration for the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario to be held in Hamilton; she's to be a moderator for one of the panel discussions.

These days Morden is especially excited about her involvement with the West Elgin Seniors Project Committee. The focus for the group is to find ways for seniors to help each other in such areas as transportation, friendly visits, and providing accurate information on services.

Morden provides a considerable contribution to the groups with which she is involved. She's well organized and has an eye for details. She's creative in finding solutions. She's determined and she's optimistic.

"I don't have any problems; I just have challenges," she says.

It's this kind of attitude that's earned Morden the respect of her peers in the Women's Institutes. It was the FWIO which put her named forward as a possible inductee to the Agricultural Hall of Fame.

But Morden, when she accepted a place in the Agricultural Hall of Fame on Sunday (June 10), was not, in a sense, standing alone. She says she's received a lot of support over the years from many others including: WI members Bernice Noblitt (a past president of the FWIO) and Mary Gow of Wal-

lacetown (a director with the FWIO). Two others Morden made special mention of were the late Charles Black, the former clerk-treasurer of Aldborough Township, and David Clements.

Morden and her husband Earl farm just north of Rodney within sight of Highway 401. Earl has a considerable volunteer record of his own with the Elgin County Pork Producers.

Hilde was born in Windsor and moved with her family to a farm in Kent County (at Clearville) when she was 12. Earl was raised near Duart in Kent County.



HONOURED -- Hilde Morden often works from her home when it comes to volunteer work. She and her husband Earl still grow cash crops. The pair used to be hog producers.

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Welcome

When Janet and Erland Lee escorted Adelaide Hoodless up the steps to Squires Hall in Stoney Creek, Ontario, on that cold February evening in 1897, they would have had no idea that one hundred years later the organization they named "The Women's Institute", would be gathered together 2,000 strong to celebrate their vision.

Nor could they have imagined that their fledgling organization would grow to touch the lives of millions of women in many countries of the world.

When the Steering Committee sat down together on April 10, 1992, they envisioned a joint national convention of the Women's Institutes of Canada combined with a centennial celebration open to all members everywhere, with the theme "Indebted to the Past — Committed to the Future".

In 1997, this joint celebration would strive to achieve the following "4 C's". To:

- Celebrate 100 years of making a difference in families and communities
- Create a new awareness
- Communicate
- Continue effective leadership

On behalf of the Planning Committee, Welcome! We hope we have fulfilled the 4C's criteria. May we add a fifth? Congratulations!

We're so glad you came. You are making our planning worth all the challenges, the anticipation, frustration, worry, fun, camaraderie and joy of working together to create something in which none of us will have an opportunity to be participants ever again in our lifetime.

Enjoy!

Peggy

PEGGY KNAPP, CHAIR
CONVENTION '97 PLANNING COMMITTEE

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE

16th May, 1997

Dear Mrs. Johnson,

The Queen thanks you and the Members of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada very much for your kind message of loyal greetings, sent on the occasion of your fourteenth Triennial Convention and the celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of Women's Institutes, in Hamilton from the 17th to 22nd of June, 1997.

Her Majesty much appreciated your kind thought and sends her warm good wishes to all those attending for an enjoyable and successful Convention.

I am to say that The Queen is much looking forward to her return to Canada next month.

*Yours sincerely,
Jennifer Coulson*

Mrs. Jennifer Coulson



LE GOUVERNEUR GÉNÉRAL
THE GOVERNOR GENERAL

RIDEAU HALL
OTTAWA

When a group of women met in Stoney Creek, Ontario on February 19, 1897 to found the first Women's Institute, who could have known that this movement would spread to every Canadian Province and sixty-five countries? Its growth shows that the vision of the founders and the aim they adopted — to deal with the concerns of women in rural areas — are just as relevant as they were a hundred years ago.

The thousands of women who belong to the Women's Institutes across Canada have good reason to celebrate the centennial of that historic meeting and the impressive progress that has been made since those modest beginnings. Women are increasingly taking their rightful place in our society; we must give credit to the persistent efforts and courage of generations of Canadian women. The Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (FWIC) has been a leader, contributing greatly to the lives of women in rural areas. In fact, its activities have benefitted all Canadian women. The FWIC realizes that there is much work to be done as it faces the profound changes taking place in Canadian society at the end of the 20th century. However, I am confident that its members, inspired by the ideals and the example of the movement's founders, will meet these challenges.

As Governor General, I thank the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada for the support and help it has offered women over the past hundred years. I wish all its thousands of members happiness and success in their endeavours.

Roméo LeBlanc



PRIME MINISTER • PREMIER MINISTRE

It is with great pleasure that I extend my warmest greetings to everyone marking the 100th anniversary of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada.

Your organization, by promoting personal and professional development within a global context, shows us the success of collective effort for a common good. As you reflect on the achievements of the past and set new objectives for the future, I am sure that you will enjoy this opportunity to reaffirm your commitment to the Institutes' laudable goals.

Please accept my best wishes for a most memorable celebration.





The Premier
of Ontario

Greetings from the Premier

Federated Women's Institutes of Canada
14th Triennial Convention and
100th Anniversary of the Founding of Women's Institutes
June 17-22, 1997

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am pleased to welcome everyone gathered to participate in this important and informative event.

To those of you who have travelled a long way to be here, I offer a special welcome. Southern Ontario offers a multitude of sights and activities to captivate your interests. I trust that you will find Hamilton, and the province, to be both exciting and welcoming.

This year's convention, which marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of Women's Institutes, is truly a milestone. I hope that this auspicious occasion will give all members pause not only to look back on past achievements but also to look forward, in anticipation of the challenges, opportunities and successes that lay ahead.

Please accept my best wishes for a successful and memorable convention and my congratulations on your 100th anniversary.

The Honourable Michael D. Harris
Premier of Ontario

WELCOME

It is a pleasure to extend a warm welcome, on behalf of the City of Hamilton, to all those attending the 14th Triennial Convention of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada and the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of Women's Institutes taking place in Hamilton from June 17 - 22, 1997. We are pleased to welcome the many delegates attending from many places around the world including Great Britain, Africa, New Zealand, Germany and China.

While you are here we hope you will visit our many facilities and attractions. We are particularly proud of Copps Coliseum and Hamilton Place Theatre, which attract many major entertainment and sports events, and our Art Gallery, which houses one of the finest collections in Canada.

Our hotels await your stay with friendly and courteous service. The many shopping areas and beautiful malls will provide every type of service and product you desire. Be sure to visit our beautiful new Pier 4 Waterfront Park and enjoy the panoramic view from our mountain brow look-outs.

Best wishes for a successful convention. We hope to welcome you back soon.

Yours very truly,

Robert M. Morrow
Mayor
City of Hamilton

June, 1997



A sincere welcome to our visitors from around the world to this Centennial Celebration of the Women's Institutes and the 14th Triennial convention of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada.

The program has been planned with you, the visitor, in mind. I hope that you will find it interesting, and that it will include something that you personally, will enjoy.

In keeping with the theme, "Indebted to the Past, Committed to the Future", our speakers will be encouraging us to use our past experiences to help us move into the future with a new outlook, a new vision and a willingness to accept new challenges.

My best wishes to all of you as we celebrate together.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Johnson
President
Federated Women's Institutes of Canada



Welcome to Ontario!

On behalf of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO), it is my honour to welcome you to Hamilton. We are pleased to be your hosts during this exciting time of celebration. The days spent together will be another chapter in the history of Women's Institutes.

*"Enthusiasm is a mental sunshine that keeps
everything in us alive and growing."*

May this Federated Women's Institutes of Canada Convention '97 and Centennial Celebration of the Women's Institute be a time of thoughtful deliberation, of courageous action, and joyful experience of new and renewed friendships.

Your presence will add to making our time together special. Thank you for coming.

Sincerely,

Marg Harris
President
FWIO

R. Roberta Lynn Bondar

O.C., O.Ont., M.D., Ph.D., FRCP(C)



Dr. Roberta Bondar was one of the six original astronauts selected in December 1983. After many years of training she became Canada's first woman astronaut when she flew on the space shuttle "Discovery" in January 1992. As a payload specialist, she studied the effects of space travel on the brain, performing life science and material science experiments into blood flow in the brain during microgravity and various pathological states.

She is featured in the multinational release IMAX film: *Destiny in Space* and is author of the book, *Touching the Earth*, a fascinating look at an astronaut's life.

She is a Distinguished Professor, Centre Advanced Technology Education (CATE), Ryerson Polytechnic University; Visiting Distinguished Professor at the

University of Western Ontario; Visiting Research Scientist, Universities Space Research Association (NASA), Johnson Space Centre, Houston, Texas; and Visiting Research Scholar, Department of Neurology, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico. She is also Chair of the Friends of the Environment Foundation, a non-profit organization of Canada Trust.

Dr. Bondar is keenly interested in physical fitness, in educating students about environmental issues and encouraging girls in mathematics and science. She has certification in scuba diving, parachuting and holds a private pilot's license.

Her ability to communicate the mystery and wonder of space includes presentations ranging from school children to CEO's.

She has received many honours, including the Officer of the Order of Canada and the Order of Ontario as well as honorary degrees from over twenty universities. She has been awarded the NASA Space Medal and the Medaille d'excellence (Association des medecins de langue francaise du Canada) and was named "La Personalite de l'Annee" by La Press in 1992.

Dr. Bondar is also the recipient of the Toastmasters International award. Born in Sault Ste. Marie, Dr. Bondar received a Bachelor of Science in Zoology and agriculture from the University of Guelph, 1968; a Master of Science in Experimental Pathology from the University of Western Ontario, 1971; a doctorate in Neurobiology from the University of Toronto; a Doctor of Medicine from McMaster University, 1977 and was admitted as a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada in Neurology in 1981. She also completed post-graduate training in neuro-ophthalmology at Tuft's New England Medical Centre (Boston) and at the Playfair Neuroscience Unit of Toronto Western Hospital.

Arrangements for Dr. Bondar's attendance were made through The National Speakers Bureau.

Norman Rebin

C.P.A.E., Co-founder
of the Innovision
Institute

Norm Rebin brings a global view to the celebration of our hundredth anniversary. He has lived on three continents and worked on five. A performance consultant to senior officials and politicians and speaker in several countries, he was recently featured in the Financial Post Magazine. He is an organizational innovator, futurist and author who has helped organizations promote, implement and manage change.

His roots, however, are firmly embedded in prairie soil and its philosophy of co-operation and making things happen. He is a former provincial Adult Education Director, political aide and diplomat, who has lived in all regions of Canada.

Among his early accomplishments is the formation of the Saskatchewan Human Rights Association, one of the first in the country. He was also one of the few males on the regional panel of Florence Bird's Commission on Women. His work, along with his wife Delva, in motivating people to take control of their situations, led to their receiving the Canadian Citation for Citizenship in 1994.

As we re-dedicate ourselves to our cause, Norm will enlarge our ideals and ideas, through his fast-paced presentation:

“Indebted to the Past: Committed to the Future”



Linda M. Ambrose is an assistant professor of history at Laurentian University, where she teaches courses in Ontario History and Canadian Women's History. Her publications include articles in "Ontario History" and "Historical Studies in Education". Currently serving as a member of the Board of Directors of the Ontario Historical Society, Dr. Ambrose is also a member of the Canadian Historical Association, the Canadian Committee on Women's History and the Ontario Women's History Network. Born and raised in Grey County, Linda lived for several years in Kitchener-Waterloo where she obtained her Ph.D in History from the University of Waterloo. In 1994 she moved to Sudbury where she lives with her husband, Rob, and their two daughters, Meredith and Meghan.



Rosalie Wysocki is one of Canada's leading motivational speakers, specializing in personal leadership. In 1980 she established Wysocki and Associates Inc., a Human Resources Development Company which presents keynote addresses and customized seminars for large and small organizations, with many of their clients coming from the top 500 companies.

As a Performance Motivator, Rosalie speaks on personal motivation, leadership skills, communication, goal setting, time management, positive attitudes and team building. She is committed to coaching people to be more effective and more productive. She is an accomplished seminar leader, a dynamic speaker and a successful entrepreneur. Rosalie received the "Motivator of the Year" award for Canada from the Success Motivation Institute.



Dinner Speakers

Honorable **Ralph Goodale P.C., M.P.**, appointed Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada in November, 1993, came to the department with more than two decades of political experience and an extensive background in agricultural matters.

In 1972, Mr. Goodale received a Bachelor of Laws Degree, with distinction, from the University of Saskatchewan and in 1973 was called to the Saskatchewan Bar. The same year he moved to Ottawa to become Special Assistant to the Minister of Justice.

Born and raised on a family farm near Wilcox, Ralph Goodale was first elected Member of Parliament for the large rural Constituency of Assiniboia in 1974.

In the five years that followed, Mr. Goodale served as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Transport, to the Minister responsible for the Wheat Board and to the President of the Privy Council and Deputy Prime Minister. He has also been Vice-Chairman of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Agriculture, Vice-Chairman of the Special Joint Committee on the Northern Gas Pipeline, Deputy Government Whip, and Chairman of the Government's Prairie Caucus.

In 1981 he became a leader of the Saskatchewan Liberal party and in 1986 was elected a Member of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan.

In 1989 Mr. Goodale turned his attention to the business world, becoming Director of Regulatory Affairs and Corporate Secretary of Pioneer Life Assurance Company and Pioneer Lifeco Inc., both Regina-based financial institutions.

He was elected M.P. for Regina-Wascana on October 25, 1993. In the cabinet shuffle which took place in January 1996, Mr. Goodale was appointed chairman of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Development Policy.

Ralph Goodale and his wife Pamela make their home in Regina.

Virginia Dybenko: Holding degrees in Mathematics from the University of Western Ontario and the University of Waterloo, certificates in Operations Research from the University of Toronto and Executive Business from Queen's University, Ginny Dybenko joined Bell Canada in 1975. Rising through the ranks to her current position in Bell's Sales and Marketing department as Vice-President - Advanced Communications Systems, she also serves as President of Bell Advanced Communications Inc.

Ginny has been a champion for the Recognition and Awareness of Women program within Bell and spends much of her personal time speaking to youth groups about the importance of acquiring technology training in order to compete in future job markets.

The Panelists

“One Tree - Many Branches”, a panel of Women’s Institute Members

Moderator: Hilde Morden is a facilitator in communications, human relations, museum interpretation and parliamentary procedures. Beyond Branch, District and Area levels, she has served FWIO as Secretary-Treasurer, Program Co-ordinator, New Branch Co-ordinator, Membership Co-ordinator and as Secretary-Treasurer of the Erland Lee (Museum) Home. Hilde co-facilitated in Montreal on “Marketing Our Organization” for FWIC and facilitated five workshops on Prince Edward Island on “Marketing Women’s Institute”.

Elizabeth Rushton - Past President, Alberta Women’s Institutes

Deris Hollett - President, Newfoundland & Labrador Women’s Institutes

Pauline Meek - Women’s Institutes of Nova Scotia Executive Officer to FWIC

Peggy Knapp - ACWW Area President - Canada

“Envisioning the Future”

Moderator: Dr. Richard Vosburg, Professor Emeritus, Department of Consumer Studies, University of Guelph. Dr. Vosburg taught for 25 years in the College of Family and Consumer Studies and has been involved in several projects in developing countries as well as working on consumer education and consumer affairs with government and industry in North America and Europe.

Dr. Mark Waldron is a Professor in the Department of Rural Extension Studies, Ontario Agricultural College, University of Guelph, where he is also the Director of a

Ph.D. program in Rural Studies with a focus on Sustainable Rural Communities. He has also served as Director of the University School of Part-time Studies and Continuing Education at Guelph for twenty years and had previous work experience in rural extension and with the CBC. He teaches a number of courses in the areas of program planning and evaluation, management, marketing, adult learning, facilitation skills and rural sociology and leads research projects dealing with sustainable rural communities.

Jeanne Hartley-Grover, President of HG Project Management Solutions brings many years of experience with a multitude of volunteer associations to her topic “The Future of Rural Women’s Volunteer Organizations”. She has served as: president of two provincial home economics associations; director of trade associations such as the Canadian Pallet Council; chair of the committee responsible for legislation granting the “Professional Home Economist (P.H.Ec.)” designation in Ontario; strategic planning facilitator for the Ontario Boating Forum. As a staff executive with one of Canada’s leading trade associations - the Food and Consumer Product of Canada she managed educational programs, revenue generating events and public policy positions. She has been instrumental in initiating change ... developing governance structures that reflect the 1990’s realities and encourage volunteer involvement, focusing associations on visible results, and redefining the strategic directions of associations in terms relevant for the future.

Sandra McLeod, FCA is Vice-President, Private Client Services, Suburban Toronto, of the Bank of Montreal. She is responsible for providing personal financial planning, investment counselling and tax services to a variety of senior executives, business owners and individuals. Sandra is experienced in, and presents seminars on, all aspects of personal financial and retirement planning; estate and investment planning, relocation and termination counselling and early retirement programs. She has appeared on CBC TV, Canada AM, CBC and CFMX radio, written articles and participated in television shows, seminars and conferences. Sandra is a Fellow Chartered Accountant of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario - elected 1994. Her professional affiliations include chair of CICA Task Force for Financial Planning Standards and Treasurer, Financial Planners Standards Council of Canada.

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FWIC Convention '97

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Notes of Importance

- All sessions will be held in the Hamilton Place Theatre with the exception of Thursday evening (Chedoke Room) and Friday - Ontario Day, Gage Park, Hamilton.
- All breakfasts will be served in your own hotel. Other meals will be in the Chedoke Room, Hamilton Convention Centre, with the exception of Friday's, on tour and at Gage Park, and Saturday's to be held at noon in the Hamilton Place Theatre and the International Dinner in the Armouries, James St. North.
- We are pleased to welcome members of the Hamilton area 4-H Clubs as our flag bearers at the Opening Ceremony.
- The Convention '97 Choir is made up of dedicated members from across Canada and around the world. We appreciate their part in making this celebration a joyous occasion. Leading the choir is Betty Walther, Otterville, and the accompanist is Marlene Matheson, Embro.
- The "WI Centennial Song", sung by the choir at the Opening Ceremony, with words and music by Marie Harris, a.r.c.t., was her winning entry in Ontario's Centennial Song Competition.
- The Anniversary Cake was designed and decorated by Jean Gingerich, Baden. Jean also made the cake for the Ontario celebrations of Women's Institutes' 75th anniversary.
- Copies of the Women's Institute Panel presentations will be available at the craft table, Wentworth Room, for \$1.00 a set. This will be an excellent resource for a branch meeting, or to add to your convention reports.

- **Book Signing:** Dr. Linda Ambrose, the author of *For Home and Country: The Centennial History of the Women's Institutes in Ontario*, will be available to sign books.

Where: "Indebted to the Past" historical exhibit area, Wentworth Room.

When: Wednesday, June 18 and Thursday, June 19.
Times to be given during morning announcements.

- Ice water will be available in the foyer during the sessions.
- Please wear your international costume for both afternoon and evening on Saturday, June 21. You will be called forward during the pageant in the afternoon.
- Voting for the Viewers' Choice Quilt Competition will close at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 19. Please register your vote in the Wentworth Room before that time.
- The Wentworth Room will be open:

Tuesday	2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.
Thursday	10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Friday	10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Be sure to visit the displays and the craft sales during the above hours.

- We are much indebted to Bev Coutts and Florence Downing, Simcoe County, for obtaining the draw prizes and arranging the draws.
- **Winners of Anniversary Draws MUST BE PRESENT AT THE TIME OF THE DRAW!**
- **NO AUDIO OR VIDEO TAPING** will be allowed during the sessions in the Hamilton Place Theatre.

1997 Convention Program

Tuesday, June 17

Hamilton Place Theatre

OPENING CEREMONY

Please be seated by 6:30 p.m.

Chair: Charlotte Johnson, President, FWIC

- 6:30** Piano Prelude Doreen Haughton
- 6:45** Pre-convention Announcements Peggy Knapp
Convention '97 Committee Chair
- 6:55** Trumpet Fanfare Anita McAlister, Darryl Eaton
 Parade of Flags
 Piper Barbara Sutherland
 Distinguished Guests
 'O Canada' Convention '97 Choir
 Greetings
 "We share a Dream" Brenda McNeil
Words and Music by Philip Price
 Address Charlotte Johnson
President, FWIC
 "WI Centennial Song" Convention '97 Choir
 Cutting of the Anniversary Cake Charlotte Johnson
President, FWIC
 June Williams
President, Stoney Creek Charter Branch
 Grace Sutherland
President, Kemble Women's Institute
- 9:00** Reception Chedoke Room, Hamilton Convention Centre

Wednesday, June 18

Chair: Mildred Keith

- Piano Prelude Dorothy McCormick
- 8:45** Announcements Christine Reaburn
Convention '97 Vice-Chair
- 9:00** Welcome
 Early Bird Draw Jerinne Porteous
Convention '97 Registrar
 "Indebted to the Past - Committed to the Future" Norman Rebin
 Announcement of FWIC Awards
 Tweedsmuir Awards Kay Crabbe
 FWIC Special Projects Kay Crabbe
 Senator Cairine Wilson
 Trophy Faye Mayberry
 Erland Lee Awards Charlotte Johnson
 Music Margaret McInroy
 FWIC President-elect Nominations Pauline Meek
 Reading of Resolutions Faye Mayberry
 Address Mrs. Lyndsay Hacket-Pain
World President, ACWW
 International Project Margaret Munro
 Anniversary Draw

- 12:00** Lunch Chedoke Room, Hamilton Convention Centre

Chair: Isolde Long

- Piano Prelude Dorothy McCormick
- 1:30** "One Tree - Many Branches"
 Panel Moderator: Hilde Morden
 Branch Elizabeth Rushton
 Provincial Deris Hollett
 National Pauline Meek
 International Peggy Knapp

Wednesday (cont'd)

Music Margaret McInroy
 "Indebted to the Past" Dr. Linda Ambrose
 Music Brenda McNeil
 "Committed to the Future" Rosalie Wysocki
 Anniversary Draw

4:15 Election of FWIC President-elect
 (Voting Delegates Only) Room #202,
 Hamilton Convention Centre

5:00 Polls Close

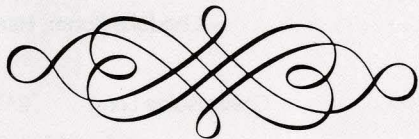
5:30 Dinner Chedoke Room, Hamilton Convention Centre

Chair: Ina Kilgour

Dinner Speaker Virginia Dybenko, Vice-President
 Advanced Communications Systems,
 Bell Canada

Be sure to visit Ginny in the "Committed to the Future" display area
 after dinner.

7:30 Visit the Sales and Displays in the Wentworth Room and
 meet your Twinned Provinces under their provincial flags.



Thursday, June 19

All Voting Delegates to sit in assigned area reserved for their province.

Chair: Margaret Munro

Piano Prelude Marlene Matheson

8:45 Announcements Christine Reaburn

9:00 Election Results Charlotte Johnson

Acceptance of Minutes as Circulated

Acceptance of Committee and Provincial Reports

Financial Statements and Auditor's Report Mildred Keith
 Budget

BOB the Beaver Collection

Sing-along Betty Walther, Marlene Matheson

FWIC Winning Play

Resolutions Faye Mayberry

FWIC Business

Hoodless Homestead Report

Invitation to Convention 2000

Registrar's Report Jerinne Porteous

Anniversary Draw

12:00 Lunch Chedoke Room, Hamilton Convention Centre

Chair: Nina Burnell

Piano Prelude Marlene Matheson

1:30 Installation of Officers Jacquie Linde

Presentations

In-coming FWIC President Mildred Keith

Convention '97 Choir Betty Walther, Marlene Matheson

Thursday (cont'd)

"Envisioning the Future" Panel Moderator, Dr. Richard Vosburg
"Sustaining Rural Communities" Dr. Mark Waldron
"Future of Rural Women's Volunteer Organizations"
. Jeanne Hartley-Grover, P.H.Ec.
"Management of Financial Resources - Personal and
Organizational" Sandra McLeod, C.F.A.
Anniversary Draw

5:30 The Minister's Dinner
. Chedoke Room, Hamilton Convention Centre

Chair: Charlotte Johnson

Past Presidents' Pins
Viewers' Choice Quilt Announcement
Erland Lee Award Winners
Vox Nouveau Youth Choir Pianist: Laura Pinn
Address Honorable Ralph Goodale, PC, MP,
Minister, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada
Vox Nouveau Youth Choir
"I am a Canadian" Terry Howell



Friday, June 20

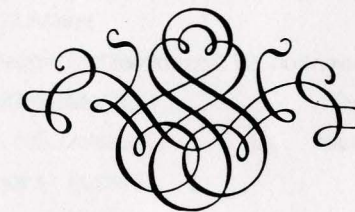
Ontario Day

Bus Tours - NOTE TIME ON YOUR TICKET

5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Bar-B-Que Dinner - Continuous Serving

Entertainment

Parade of Banners - All at Gage Park, Hamilton



Saturday, June 21

8:30 - 10:00..... FWIC Board Meets

Celebration Day

Chair: Marg Harris

Piano Prelude Marlene Matheson

10:00 Announcements Christine Reaburn

'O Canada'

Welcome..... Charlotte Johnson

President, FWIC

..... Marg Harris

President, FWIO

Introduction of Convention '97 Committee

"Do You Remember?" Halton District Women's Institute

Commentator Norma Alexander

Piano Glenda Benton

Anniversary Draw

11:30 Lunch Hamilton Place Theatre

Chair: Charlotte Johnson

12:45 Trumpet Fanfare Anita McAlister, Darryl Eaton

1:00 Piper Barbara Sutherland

Distinguished Guests

Greetings

Address - "Indebted to the Past - Committed to the Future"

..... Dr. Roberta Bondar, O.C., O.Ont, M.D., Ph.D., FRCP(C)

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"Indebted to the Past - Committed to the Future" Peggy Knapp

Music The Garner Family, Embro

Saturday (cont'd)

5:30 International Dinner The Armouries, 173 James Street North

Chair: Christine Reaburn

Grace..... The Rev. Elizabeth Macdonald,

Minister, Kimbourne Park United Church, Toronto

International Greetings

Return to Hamilton Place Theatre

8:00 CANADIAN MOSAIC..... Hamilton Place Theatre

..... M.C.: Nancy Petranowitch

Hymn of All Nations..... Brenda McNeil, Doreen Haughton

Chaika Dancers - Ukraine

Piano Solo by Maggie Morrison

Navagonia Dancers - Mardigra

Philippine Youth Folk Dances

Navagonia Dancers - Russia

Christine Reaburn - Australia

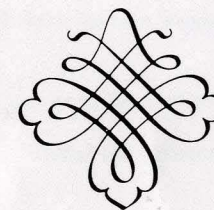
Navagonia Dancers - Spain

Chaika Dancers

"Let There Be Light" Peggy Knapp

"Weave, Weave, Weave us Together"

..... Brenda McNeil, Doreen Haughton



Sunday, June 22

Chair: Mildred Keith

Piano Prelude Marlene Matheson

9:15 Announcements Christine Reaburn

9:30 *The Mary Stewart Collect*

Keep us O Lord from pettiness; let us be large in thought, in word and deed.

Let us be done with fault finding and leave off self seeking.

May we put away all pretence and meet each other face to face, without self pity and without prejudice.

May we never be hasty in judgement and always generous.

Let us take time for all things; make us grow calm, serene, gentle.

Teach us to put into action our better impulses straight forward and unafraid.

Grant that we may realize that it is the little things that create differences; that in the big things of life we are one.

And may we strive to touch and know the great human heart common to us all, and O Lord God let us not forget to be kind.

"My Wish for the Future" Provincial Presidents

Interfaith Service Irene Richardson

Convention '97 Choir Betty Walther, Marlene Matheson

"Tribute to the Past - Charge for the Future" Charlotte Johnson

Retiring of Flags

12:00 Rooftop Picnic



PLANNING COMMITTEE, WOMEN'S INSTITUTE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION AND FEDERATED WOMEN'S INSTITUTES OF CANADA CONVENTION



Back row: (left to right): Barb Pinkney, Marilyn Sharp, Joan Playle, Leone Foerter, Peggy McLeod, Margaret Munro

Second Row: Betty Ann Mollard, Jerrine Porteous, Mildred Keith, Joan Law, Glenna Smith, Katherine McNaughton, Arthena Hecker, Janine Roelens-Grant

Front Row: Mary Janes, Christine Reaburn, Peggy Knapp, Charlotte Johnson

Absent: Rosine Findley, Marg Harris, Ruth Halbert, Kay Taylor

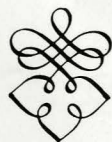
Convention '97 Committee

Executive

Chair	Peggy Knapp
Vice-Chair	Christine Reaburn
Secretary	Peggy McLeod
Treasurers	Katherine McNaughton
.....	Betty Ann Mollard
Public Relations Officer	Mary Janes

Committee Chairs

Catering	Rosine Findley
Displays and Sales	Ruth Halbert
"Indebted to the Past" -	Janine Roelens-Grant
"Committed to the Future" -	Glenna Smith
Negotiations	Jerinne Porteous
.....	Peggy Knapp
Program	Joan Law
.....	Joan Playle
Reception	Margaret Munro
Registration	Jerinne Porteous
Staging	Leone Foerter
Tours & Transportation	Marilyn Sharp
Tweedsmuir Competitions and Displays	Kay Taylor
Ex Officio	Charlotte Johnson, President, FWIC
.....	Marg Harris, President, FWIO



*The Convention '97 Committee
wish to sincerely thank
the many dedicated volunteers
who so graciously were generous
with their time, their efforts, their
suggestions and ideas, to contribute
to the success of this combined
FWIC triennial convention and
the 100th celebration.
You are the unsung heroes
of the day.
Without you it would not
have been possible.*





THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
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CENTENNIAL
INTERNATIONAL
DINNER





CARMEN'S PRESENTS THIS EVENINGS MENU

ROLLS & BUTTER

CHEF'S GARDEN SALAD

VEAL PARMIGIANO

ROAST BEEF AU JUS

VEGETABLE P.E.I. MEDLEY

OVEN ROASTED POTATOES

STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

COFFEE & TEA

Elgin West District W.I. holds annual meeting

Elgin West District Women's Institute annual meeting was hosted by Paynes Mills W.I. in Talbotville United Church.

The opening ode and Mary Stewart Collect opened the meeting which was conducted by President Ann McLean. Eleven district directors were ratified by provincial board director Willa Johnston. Future events in this district are: June 25, Strawberry Social at the Pioneer Museum, which is celebrating 40 years of service to Elgin County; W.I. Sunday, July 6 at Yarmouth Centre United Church; induction of Mrs. Hilde Morden to the Agricultural Hall of Fame at Milton, June 8; Elgin Plowing Match, September 6; Car Tour, October 5; Daffodil Tea at Knox Fingal Presbyterian Church, October 4; London Area Convention, October 23; Rally Social Evening, October 7 at Fingal Presbyterian Church; public relations workshop, September 25 at Mount Brydges community centre.

Our OMAFRA office will soon move to London on Exeter Rd. Tyrconnell Branch conducted our in memoriam service. Throughout the meeting, historical events and information on persons involved with the Women's Institute were presented by members. Greetings were brought from provincial board director Willa Johnston, London area vice president Pauline Lindsay, Elgin East president Betty Van Patten, Oxford South president Dorothy Way and Elgin Rally chair Pauline Lindsay.

Officers installed for 1997-98 are as follows:

President, Ann McLean; 1st vice president, Faye Thorn; 2nd vice president, Rena Campbell; secretary-treasurer, Grace Campbell; public relations, Eleanor McMillan; program coordinator, Lynn Huffman; London area delegates, Ann McLean and Jean Palmer; alternates, Fay Thorn and Rena Campbell; resolutions, Willa Johnston; Tweedsmuir History curator, Sally McIntyre; assistant, Helen Van Brenk.

Officers were installed by Mrs. Pauline Lindsay of London area executive followed by singing The Centennial Song. Courtesies were given by Rena Campbell. O Canada closed the meeting.



Helping celebrate Wallacetown W.I.'s 85th anniversary recently were: (left to right) Willa Johnston, provincial board director; Mae Graham & Marjorie Ripley, long-time members; Helen Van Brenk, president and Marg Harris, president of the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario.

(C. McLandress)

W.I. marks 85th anniversary

The Wallacetown Women's Institute celebrated its 85th anniversary at a special meeting held at the Dunwich Community Hall on May 22.

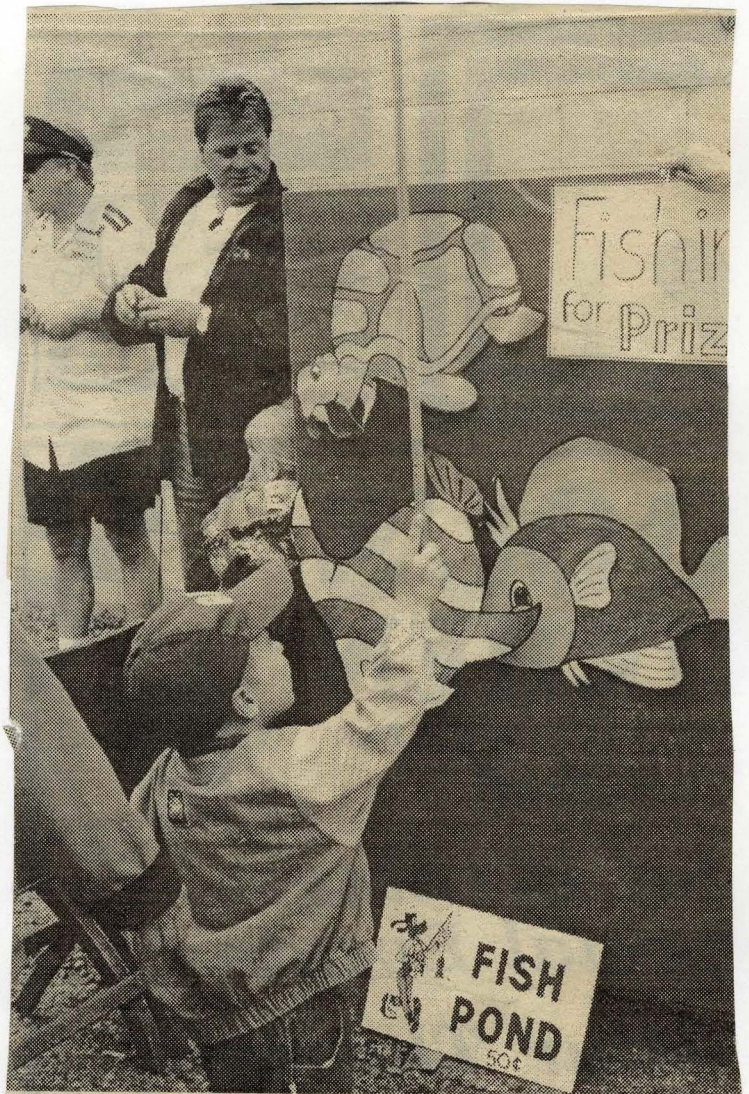
On hand to help celebrate were visiting members from the 11 other branches in the Elgin West District.

Marg Harris, Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario president, was the guest speaker. She spoke of the different activities of Women's Institutes worldwide.

From purchasing a machine gun during World War I, in conjunction with the Dunwich & Southwold branches, to various fundraising efforts, including helping to furnish a room at the new Bobier Home, the history of the Wallacetown Institute has been one of community involvement.



Tiny Tots toddlers visited the Rodney Fire Hall last week. Pictured here are: (back row left to right) Lexi Sherriff, Shelby Pyka, Carl Nogradi (front) teacher Janet Pinder, Julian Kovacs, Clara deSousa, Alex O'Connor and volunteer Mandy Johnston.



Here fishy, fishy- Robert Johnston tries his hand at pond fishing at the annual Tiny Tots Trik-a - thon that was held recently in Rodney.



Flowers to go- Milena Cardoso (left) and Sara Johnston just two of the many employees at Erie Gardens, prepare hundreds of hanging fuchsia baskets for shipment to one of the company's many wholesalers and retailers throughout Canada and the US.

Agricultural museum goes private

There will be a renewed emphasis on interactive programming, or 'living history'

By Mike Strathdee Record staff

A showpiece of Ontario's agricultural heritage threatened with closure when the provincial government withdrew funding support will reopen soon as a private, not-for-profit corporation.

The Ontario Agricultural Museum hopes to attract 60,000 to 70,000 paying customers during its first season as a privately operated entertainment and educational facility, general manager Rick Fortin said Monday.

The museum, funded since 1979 by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, is located beside Highway 401 on 32 hectares (80 acres) near Milton. It's home to 30 buildings and more than 15,000 artifacts.

The future of the facility and its collection were put in doubt in late 1995, when the Conservative government announced that government funding which accounted for most of the museum's income would be halved in 1996

and eliminated in 1997.

Thanks to the efforts of Country Heritage Experience Inc., a group that came together to run the museum, the facility will continue to operate. Backers say the museum is revitalized, not just privatized, and will work to broaden its appeal by offering a renewed focus on interactive programming, or "living history."

At least a dozen staff in period costumes will be working at various buildings on site, with an emphasis on using the collection to depict farming as it would have been done in earlier days.

The Country Heritage board is chaired by Robert Monte, president of North Waterloo Farmers Mutual Insurance Company. Other area people on the board include Waterloo artist Peter Etril Snyder, Kitchener lawyer Daniel Schmidt, Norris Hoag of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Clair Rennie of Guelph, Ontario Agricultural College dean Robert McLaughlin and Eugene Lammerding of the Foun-

dation for Rural Living.

Etril Snyder, the museum's artist-in-residence last year, is optimistic about prospects under new management. "I'm really impressed with what these guys are doing," he said.

Fortin hopes the site will attract between 60,000 and 70,000 paying customers in 1997, half of them from school tours during April through June and September to December.

The site will be open to the general public from May 17 through Thanksgiving, Wednesday through Sundays and on statutory holidays, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Popular attractions such as the Great Canadian Antique Tractor Field Days (July 17-20), the Country Quilt Festival (August 2-10) and the Christ-

mas Craft Fair (Sept. 19-21) will return. New programs, exhibits and services will be announced in coming months.

Earlier this year, backers thought the museum might have a deficit of \$300,000 for 1997. They've set their sights higher, and are now aiming for a profitable first season. "We think we can do better than break-even this year, provided we meet some partnership and sponsorship goals," Fortin said.

Costs have been cut in some areas. The museum will have seven to nine full-time staff and 15 part-timers, compared with a previous complement of 24 full-time staffers.

Admission prices will be \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and group tours of 20 people or more, \$5 for youth, \$4.50 for people on half-day educational tours, and \$18 for a family.

Early indications are encouraging, with people and organizations expressing willingness to be involved, Etril Snyder said.



Fortin



The board of directors and staff of West Elgin Community Health Centre held a memorial tree planting in memory of James A. Smith and Charles I. Black last Saturday at the Rodney Recreation Centre playground. Both men were significant founding members of the health centre. Pictured here are: (left to right) board chairman Ralph Fluit, Aldborough Councillor Graham Warwick, Elgin MPP Peter North and Aldborough Reeve Harry Mezenberg. (S. Slaats)

1988 Certificates Awarded



CANADA 88 CERTIFICATES FOR SERVICE TO THE municipality beyond the call of duty, were presented former reeves and clerk of Aldborough at Thursday's February council meeting. Seated are former reeves George Barber, Duncan Gilchrist and Nelson Johnston. Back row: Keith Kelly and Lorne Carroll, former Clerk C. I. Black and former reeve John Hux.

Mercury-Sun photo



CANADA 88 CERTIFICATES WERE presented by Reeve Dan Perovich to Ed. Meckevech, posthumously to Ray Lemon, and former Reeve Gordon Woolner, which were received by their wives. Ken Schlei-

hauf accepted the certificate for his father, and C. I. Black received one for being a former clerk. Publisher Lynn Lashbrook received one for reporting council meetings a quarter century.

Contributions to Agriculture bring awards

8 The Rodney Mercury, Thursday, May 19th, 1988

Mordens, Alden McLean win Ag., Food Centennial awards

Earl and Hilde Morden of Kintyre, and Alden McLean of Muirkirk, have been named by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food to win one of 100 Centennial Awards for their contributions to agriculture.

More than 400 individuals and families were nominated for the special awards, created to mark the 100th anniversary of the ministry's establishment.

"Those honoured have made significant contributions to the Ontario agri-food business," Minister Jack Riddell reported to the Legislature last week. "And that is the purpose of our Centennial awards — to pay tribute to those, past and present, who have made our Ontario agriculture and food sectors one of the best in the world."

Prior to releasing names of the winning 100, the swearing-in of Ontario's first minister of agriculture Charles Drury, was enacted in the Legislature's main lobby.

Drury, who served two years as minister, was the father of the province's eighth premier, Ernest C. Drury (1919-23).

WINNERS

Centennial award winners represent all areas of the province, including those engaged in farming, research, veterinary medicine and food processing.

Ten families and 10 women are among the winners. Four are posthumous awards.

They were chosen by a panel of former deputy ministers of agriculture, Ken Lantz, food industry representative, Mary Steward of Canada Packers, and the founder of the Women for the Survival of Agriculture, Dianne Harkin.

The award, a gold medallion especially struck for the occasion and mounted on a black walnut base, will be presented to recipients' communities during the balance of the ministry's Centennial year.

MORDENS

The citation to Earl and Hilde Morden states: As well as operating their 450-hog farm, Earl and Hilde Morden have been

active in several Elgin farm organizations.

Earl is a 17-year member of the Elgin Pork Producers' Association, serving as its secretary-treasurer, councilman, director and president. In 1982, he was Ontario's Outstanding Pork Producer.

Hilde Morden has held key positions in the Federated Women's Institute for 24 years. She has been a farm conference delegate and chairperson, advisor to several committees, and is now president of the Kintyre Women's Missionary Society.

Both also commit time to their church and community. Earl has been involved with Jr. Farmers and a Sunday school teacher, while Hilde has been a storyteller, puppeteer and taught the physically disabled.

McLEAN

The citation to Alden McLean states: Alden McLean's service to the agriculture community goes back more than 50 years, when he served as president and director of the Ontario United Farm people beginning in 1935 and continuing through 1960.

Even while operating a large and diversified farm acreage at Muirkirk, he sought to improve the lot of farmers and the farming community in general by actively involving himself in many farm organizations, including the Ontario Farm Products Marketing Board and the Southwestern Ontario Swine Conference.

A winner of the "Agriculturalist of the Year" award from the Chatham and District Chamber of Commerce in 1983, McLean's numerous awards include an honorary life membership in the Ontario Institute of Agrologists.

He served several terms as director on Orford Farmers' Co-op, as well as being president, followed by several years as secretary. During those years he was also a director on United Co-ops of Ontario Board, and was its president.



1984

Clachan Store - Landmark for 89 years



LOCAL LANDMARK -- The Clachan General Store was built in 1896 by Mr. J.H. Trestain. It is situated on the Orford side of the townline at the end of the 3rd concession of Aldborough. This store has been owned by many people throughout its life including Frank Trestain, Albert Carr, Cecil Janes, Art Staples, Mrs. Staples, Austen Brothers, Lloyd Hillman, Fred Pyke, Bob Wilson, Leo Cross and Lloyd Brennan. It is presently being demolished but has stood as a landmark for many years.

(Photo Courtesy of Mrs. Kathleen Downie)



DEMOLITION OF LANDMARK -- A team of men was demolishing the Clachan General Store last week. This building stood as a landmark for many

residents in the area since it was built in 1896. The structure is shown here with the bricks ripped off one of its sides.

(Staff Photo - Fred DeVries)

Local landmark has long history

By Fred DeVries

A local landmark since 1896, the Clachan General Store has stood the test of time. But in recent years, it has been in a state of disrepair, and is being demolished. It was closed as a viable business a number of years ago.

The building was constructed by William Scott and William Wright with the McKay family as the masons. Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Trestain were the first owners of the store in Clachan.

The store was officially opened with an oyster supper prepared by Mr. Trestain for the community.

According to Mrs. Kathleen Downie, a complete line of groceries, hardware and dry goods was sold at the store. The store also used two ped-

dlers' wagons to sell the necessities to housewives in the surrounding communities and countrysides.

Commercial travellers came from London to bring their wares and products to the store. Local people brought in their cream, eggs and butter which they traded for goods.

Mrs. Downie said that in the basement of the store, Mr. Trestain had a butter cellar. Frequently, he would package the butter in wax-lined boxes and ship it to Whyte Packing Company in Montreal. "It was considered a first class product."

In the basement, he also had a large walk-in ice box. The ice was cut from the Thames River and stored in an ice house beside the lane of the store, against warm weather requirement.

At Christmas, Mr. Trestain bought

extra quantities of chickens, turkeys and geese. Mrs. Downie said, "The giblets were given freely to everyone in the town."

Any freight was brought from the station at Bothwell. Bread came on the train from Thamesville in a large wicker basket with a tight lid to ensure freshness. The loaves were sold for five cents each.

"Miss Lena Ashton was the efficient store clerk for many years. Jack Patterson drove the freight wagon and was a good natured neighbour."


Mrs. Downie remembered that Mr. Trestain was a good salesman. "People in those days handed their list of groceries to the clerk and he or she weighed up the bulk sugar, tea or raisins."

Mrs. Trestain had seven children in twenty years and thus was kept busy tending her family's needs upstairs in the living quarters. Often, she would hear someone shout, "Mother, we're busy. Can you come down and help us?" In later years, the business was run as a family operation until the Trestains moved to the homestead at Strathburn.



Clachan store, also showing travel
by horse and buggy in late 1800's and
early 1900's.

CHRONICLE KID!



Name: Clara De Sousa

Age: 3


School: Tiny Tots Preschool 2

Interests: Playing with animals and reading books

Career goal: Ballerina

If you or someone you know would like to be a Chronicle Kid, just give us a call at 785-2455.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 29

REGISTRATION—1:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

All billeting and registration will be done in the Main Foyer, Lambton Hall.

TOURS—3:00 - 5:00 p.m.—Buses leave from Johnston Hall for tours of the University campus.

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.—Walking tours leave from Johnston Hall to points of interest on the campus.

COFFEE PARTY—9:00 - 11:00 p.m. in Creelman Dining Hall.

The Conference begins officially at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 30.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION, APRIL 30

9:00 a.m.

WAR MEMORIAL HALL

Presiding: Mrs. Austin S. Zoeller, President, Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario.

Official Opening

Greetings—Miss Helen McKercher, Director, Home Economics Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture and Food.

Welcome to University of Guelph—

Dr. W. C. Winegard, President, University of Guelph *1 very nice*

Dr. Janet Wardlaw, Dean, Macdonald Institute *last speaker*

Dr. N. R. Richards, Dean, Ontario Agricultural College *2 follow notes*

Dr. D. G. Howell, Dean, Ontario Veterinary College *3*

Dr. M. H. M. MacKinnon, Dean, Wellington College

"To live for oneself alone is not to live at all"—*came from Gov. Vanier*
Mrs. Austin S. Zoeller, President, Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario.

Community Singing—Mrs. Irwin Maltby.

Introduction to Discussion—Discussion Group Chairmen.

"The most important person?" *→ the members at large*
Adjournment for photograph of delegates.

12:15—Lunch—Creelman Hall Dining Room.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, APRIL 30—1:45 p.m.

Discussion Group Plans War Memorial Hall

DISCUSSION GROUPS

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Chairmen:

Branch Presidents: Mrs. Everett Small

Branch Secretary-treasurers: Mrs. John Charlton

Members-at-large: Mrs. M. Pardy

District Public Relations Officers: Mrs. C. Diamond

Group 1	Mrs. Everett Small	<i>President</i>
Group 2	Mrs. R. J. Penney	
Group 3	Mrs. Stanley Bride	
Group 4	Mrs. John E. MacLean	
Group 5	Mrs. Donald Harvie	
Group 6	Mrs. Wm. G. Millar	
Group 7	Mrs. W. H. Clugston	
Group 8	Mrs. John Charlton	<i>S. Treas</i>
Group 9	Mrs. J. S. Holden	
Group 10	Mrs. J. P. Coyne	
Group 11	Mrs. M. Pardy	<i>Members at large</i>
Group 12	Mrs. C. E. Pink	
Group 13	Mrs. C. M. Docking	
Group 14	Mrs. C. Diamond	<i>P.R.O.</i>
Group 15	Mrs. Robert Weber	

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 30

PHYSICAL EDUCATION GYMNASIUM

6:30 p.m.—Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario Fiftieth Anniversary Banquet

Guest Speaker—Mrs. Geo. Clarke, President, Federated Women's Institutes of Canada.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 1—9:00 a.m.

PLENARY SESSIONS

Branch Presidents: War Memorial Hall Auditorium

Branch Secretary-treasurers: War Memorial Hall Lounge

Members-at-large: } to be announced
District Public Relations Officers: }

WAR MEMORIAL HALL

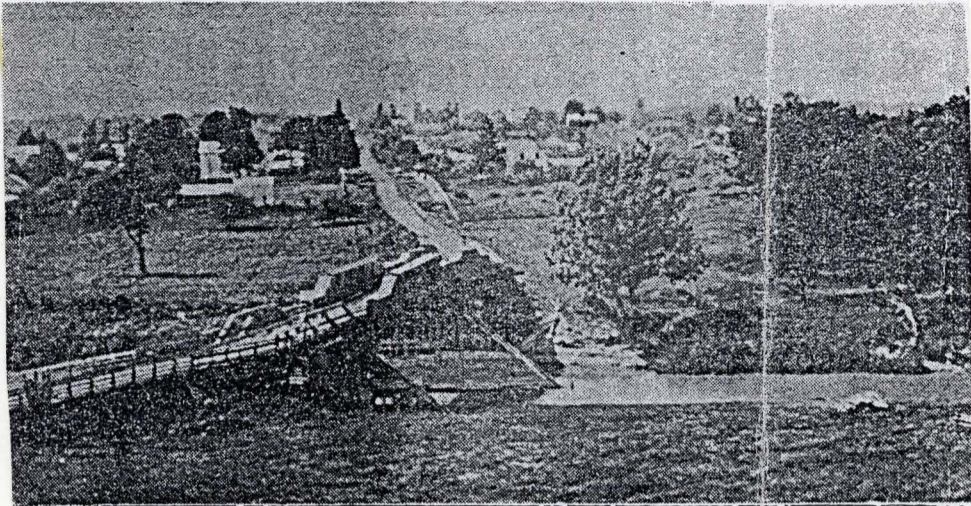
Presiding: Mrs. Austin Zoeller, President, F.W.I.O

10:30 a.m.—Community Singing—Mrs. Irwin Maltby.
"The Way it is"

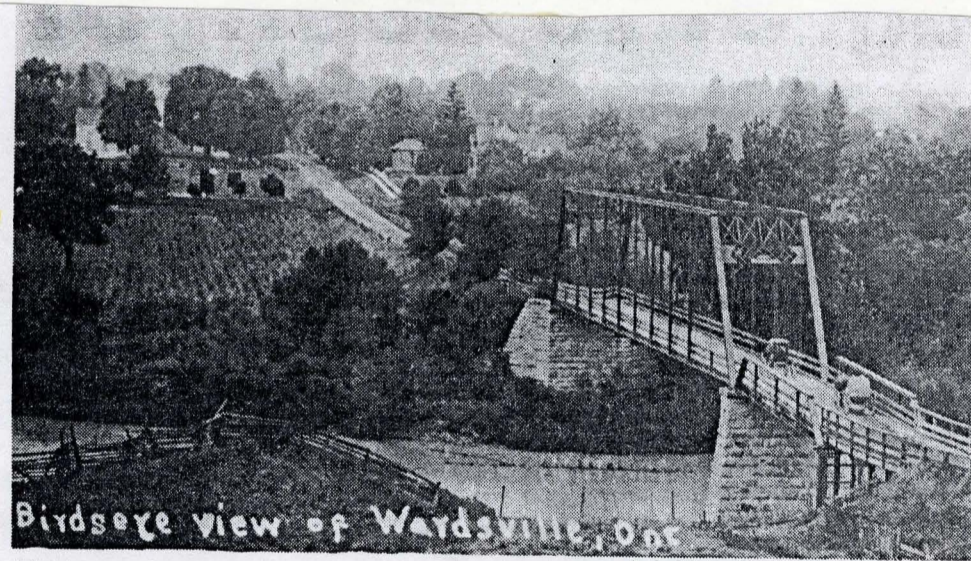
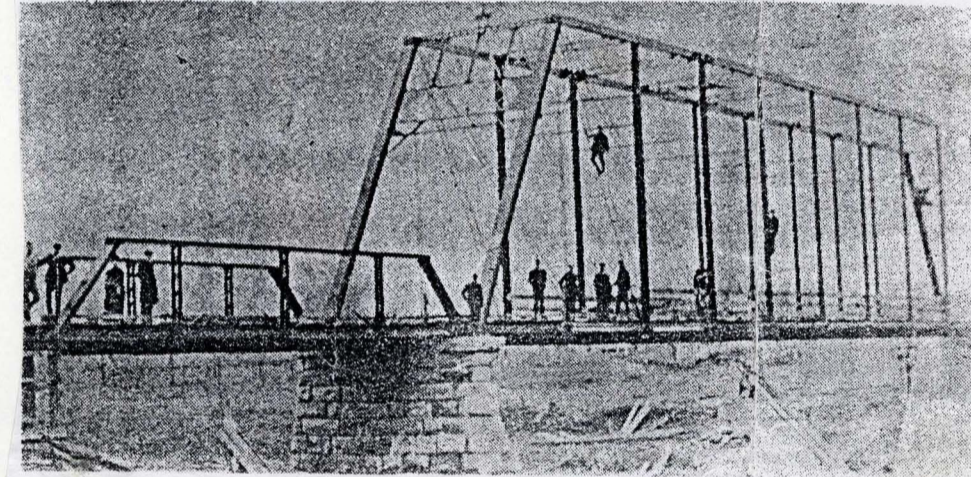
Question Box—Question Box will be available until the close of the Wednesday evening session.

Wardsville's old iron bridge

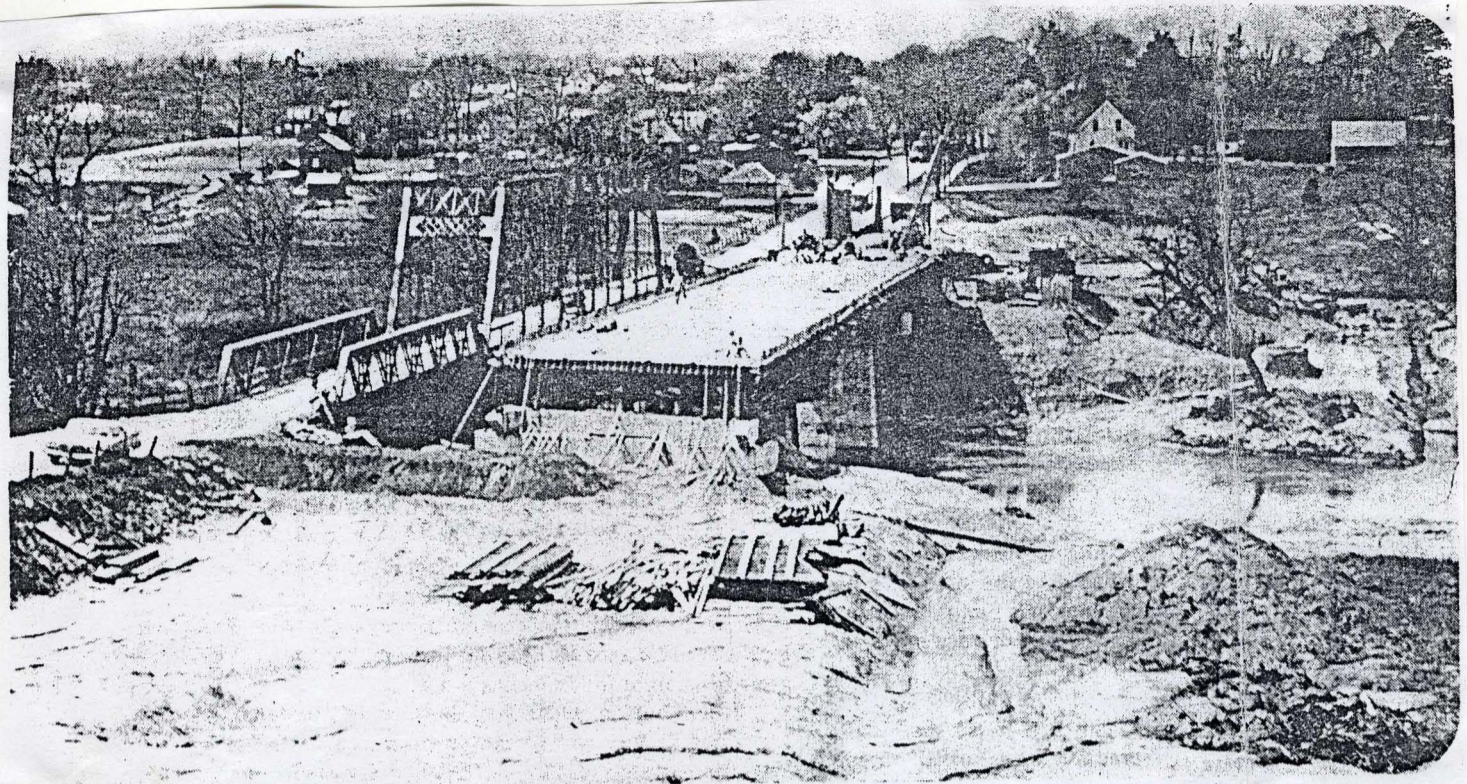
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This view shows Wardsville's earliest known bridge, a wooden structure replaced in 1889. Photo courtesy of Stuart Nisbet, Wardsville



The iron and stone bridge shortly after its opening, taken from Aldborough. Photo courtesy of Misses Erie and Greta Heath



Pouring the cement deck for Wardsville's new bridge was completed in mid-May 1961. The picture shows the cement deck covered with burlap to prevent the "green cement" from drying too quickly and cracking. Cement was mixed on the Wardsville side of the river and was transported on the bridge by pipe. Fill is now being trucked to the site to bring the approaches up to the level of the bridge deck.

Couple Leave For South Africa ¹⁹⁷³

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sifton and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Dickson and Paul were in London on Saturday, August 18 to see Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sifton leave for Africa. They, along with twenty-five other C. U. S. O. volunteers will be spending the next two years working in Botswana, Central South Africa.

They flew from Toronto to

Rome where they had a tour of the city during their few hours stopover and then on to Lusaka, Zambia. From Lusaka they flew to Gaborone, the capital city of Botswana and after a three day stay there Jim and Anne will go to the village of Molepolole where they will make their home.

Botswana is a very, very poor country and needs much volunteer help before it becomes self-sufficient. Jim will be the head of the works department in Molepolole, helping them to get a water supply to the inhabitants, of the village of ten thousand population. Building roads is another project for which Jim will be responsible as there is only one road through the village.

Anne will be working in the hospital as an X-ray technician, helping to set up a department of Radiology. Until now they have had no trained personnel in this department.

They have a busy two years ahead of them and the good wishes of their friends and relatives go with them for a safe and productive stay.

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Sharon Sudicky and partner place 4th at Vancouver

Sharon Sudicky and partner Michael de la Penotiere of St. Thomas, placed fourth in the Canadian novice dance competitions Saturday in Vancouver.



The congratulations of the community are extended to the duo for doing so well in their first nationwide appearance.

Sharon was accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Sudicky. They left by plane a week ago Sunday and arrived home Monday of this week.

During the week Sharon and Mike practiced daily in one of Vancouver's arenas and appeared before the crowd Saturday afternoon.

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Delegates appointed for District annual

West Lorne Women's Institute met recently and the officers were installed by Mrs. Wolfgang Liepmann as follows: president, Mrs. B. Cooper; first vice-president, Mrs. Mary Healy; second vice-president, Mrs. Harry Humphries; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. T. F. Ripley; cheer convener, Mrs. B. Carter; standing committee conveners, Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. John Witherden; Citizenship and World Affairs, Mrs. Healy; Education and Cultural Activities, Mrs. Ed Cairns; Family and Consumers Affairs, Mrs. R. E. Evans; Public Relations, Mrs. B. Byfield.

Mrs. Cooper presided for the meeting, extending a hearty welcome to all. Roll call was answered with payment of dues.

Thank you notes were received from sick and bereaved, etc., and reported by Mrs. Carter.

Mrs. Healy gave an excellent report on Citizenship and World Affairs and annual reports were given by various standing committees as well as the secretary-treasurer and auditors.

Mrs. Ripley attended the District Directors meeting and gave a brief report.

An invitation to Cowal WI's 50th anniversary was accepted.

Clachan is sponsoring a bus trip to Erland Lee Homestead at Stoney Creek and Elmira on Wednesday July 9 for \$7. The money is to be in by June 20; anyone wishing to go, please contact the secretary.

The Home and Country magazine was received and a number of members from Elgin County were found to be honored throughout the book.

Delegates appointed to attend the District Annual at Kintyre Presbyterian Church on Wednesday May 21, were, Mrs. Liepmann, Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Ripley.

Mrs. Byfield, program convener, presented two contests.

Ron Shepley writes poetry

Ron Shepley was born July 27/31 near Clackam. He attended Ruston Public School - graduated from Regent High & Vocational School. He also graduated from Ontario Agricultural College in 1951. He was very active in Junior Farmers at Clackam & was President of Kent's Junior Farmers.

Ron played an active part in Junior Farmers Plays at Clackam and also participated in Hockey & Softball after graduation from O.A.C. He farmed & was a crop inspector for the government. Ron is married & has a son & daughter and a grandson.

Ron has his ~~own~~ multiple sclerosis and resides at Baldwood Rest Home in 1981 & now is in their nursing home. He started writing poems in his Junior Farmers days, but most of his poetry has been written after going to the nursing home. In total Ron has written around 200 poems.

- Went in by Kyle Mann
W to is side
You find by the side then lay on right
But then you, our Angels of White.



Ron Shepley

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days, but most of his poetry has been
written after going to the nursing home.
In total he has written around 200
poems.

Snowflakes.

Snowflakes gently falling
On the window pane
Like you and I, God in his wisdom
Made none of us the same.

Is there a man with heart and soul
That doesn't like to wander in the snow?
And make a snowball to throw
at his mother-in-law

And like any normal husband would, to prevent
a family war

He blames it on the boy next door
And then to try and make it right
He buys the boy for Christmas a brand new bike.

Ron Shepley

Angels in White

Beside every good man
Stands an angel in white
At home or in the gulf
You'll always find an angel in white

At home or around the world
Whenever there's sorrow, disaster or strife
You all find
Those great Angels in white.

Where there is a child
Who is sick
You find by his side thru day or night
God Bless you, our Angels of White.



Ron Shepley

Ron Shepley

Teddy Bear

I'm going to tie a yellow ribbon
Around my little Teddy Bear
To show the police, fireman & service men
That we all really care.

Teddy Bears are made for girls and boys.
To share their sorrows and their joys.

Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear, Where can you be?
Your little bear cub is stuck in Papa's tree.

I see a swarm of bees
With their stingers all aimed at me.
It sounds like Pearl Harbour
All over again.

If Dea get out of this mess I'm in.
I'll never eat Papa's Bear's honey again
I'll just stick with my Teddy Bear,
Thru thick and thru thin.

Ron Shepley

Golden Eagle

I saw a golden eagle
Soaring high up in the sky
He seldom had to flap his wings
In order just to fly.
And when he saw me way below
He gently floated down to me
As he drew closer
I saw he had something in his beak
And when he reached me
He dropped it at my feet
And when I picked it up, much to my surprise
It was a wonderful Christmas Card
Addressed to all the wonderful staff, residents and family
Of Babcock Nursing Home
And as he went to soar away
He tipped one wing as if to say
Merry Christmas to all,
Have a wonderful year

Ron Shepley

There's a little bit of Everything in Clackan
And a whole lot of Clackan in me,
There's a bunch of pretty girls,
With their giggles and their curls,
There's a band of jolly boys,
Who can always make a noise,
And everyone's as happy as can be.
(yodel)

There's a little bit of everything in Clackan,
And a whole lot of Clackan in me,
Clackan's manager, Johnny Taylor is at a loss,
Cause he's got no wife to be his boss,
Ronald Shepley's like his pappy,
Got no money so I'm happy,
But perhaps the Lord will help us all some day.
(yodel)

There's a little bit of everything in Clackan
And a whole lot of Clackan in me.
Hillman's sell everything from gum to rope
While Harvey pedals groceries riding on a billy goat,
A proud rooster starts to crow
He lets every body know
That Clackan is a heavenly place to be.
(yodel)

There's a little bit of everything in Clackan
And a whole lot of Clackan in me,
I went in to the balershop the other day to talk,
Before I could ~~say a word~~ ^{a word or even} squawk,
Upon my head old Smitty placed a pot,
And clipped my ears off at the top,
Smitty cuts 'em round or square and sometimes ^{even} cuts your hair;
(yodel)

There's a little bit of everything in Clackan
And a whole lot of Clackan in me.
Little Joyce Bergey thanks the Lord
Cause down right has got a forel.
Here comes Leaky on his wiggles
So you better hold your gizes,
Cause by blazes it ain't the madd!

There's a little bit of everything in Clackan,
And a whole lot of Clackan in me,

There's a little bit of everything in Clackan and a whole
And a whole lot of Clackan in me,
This song's been just in fur,
Please forget it when it's done,
Listen to that rooster crow,
Cause he wants to let you know,
That Clackan is a heavenly place to be!



County Council toured west Elgin on their annual road tour. One stop was on County Rd. 6, just outside Clachan to witness the signing of a Red Oak as a Heritage Tree. The tree, on the property of Allan Woolner, is estimated to be between 200 and 250 years old. Pictured in front of the majestic tree are, front row, from left: Allan Woolner, Elgin County Road Chair Marian Milmine, and Elgin Warden Vane Chute. In back are Heritage Tree Committee members Lorne Spicer and Bill Prieksaitis, and County Engineer Fred Groch. (photo by Ruth Ferguson)

200 year old tree saved from chainsaw

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The results and recommendations of the West Elgin Research Report on Optimizing Capacities In A Rural Community was discussed on the television show *This Business Of Farming* on February 25 and 26. Taking part in the program were: (left to right) Hilde Morden, Agnes Gosnell, Ross Daly and Mary Frances O'Hagan. Copies of the report are available at a cost of \$5 each by calling 1-800-265-4588.

(photo supplied)



Members of the Clachan Women's Institute recently donated money to W.E.S.E.S. music program to purchase a Selmer 1400 Clarinet. Pictured here at the presentation are: (left to right) Willa Johnston, member of the W.I. and Elgin West District President, music teacher Lisa Baxter and Lois Woolner, Clachan W.I. president. *Apr 1996*



Willa Johnston Lisa Baxter Lois Woolner

Cheque for a clarinet from Clachan W.I.

to W.E.S.E.S. music department



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Clachan W.I presents book "For Home and Country"
to Rodney Library. (Shelley Fleming (librarian)
Betty Purcell, Madeleine Cross (Clachan W.I Pres.)

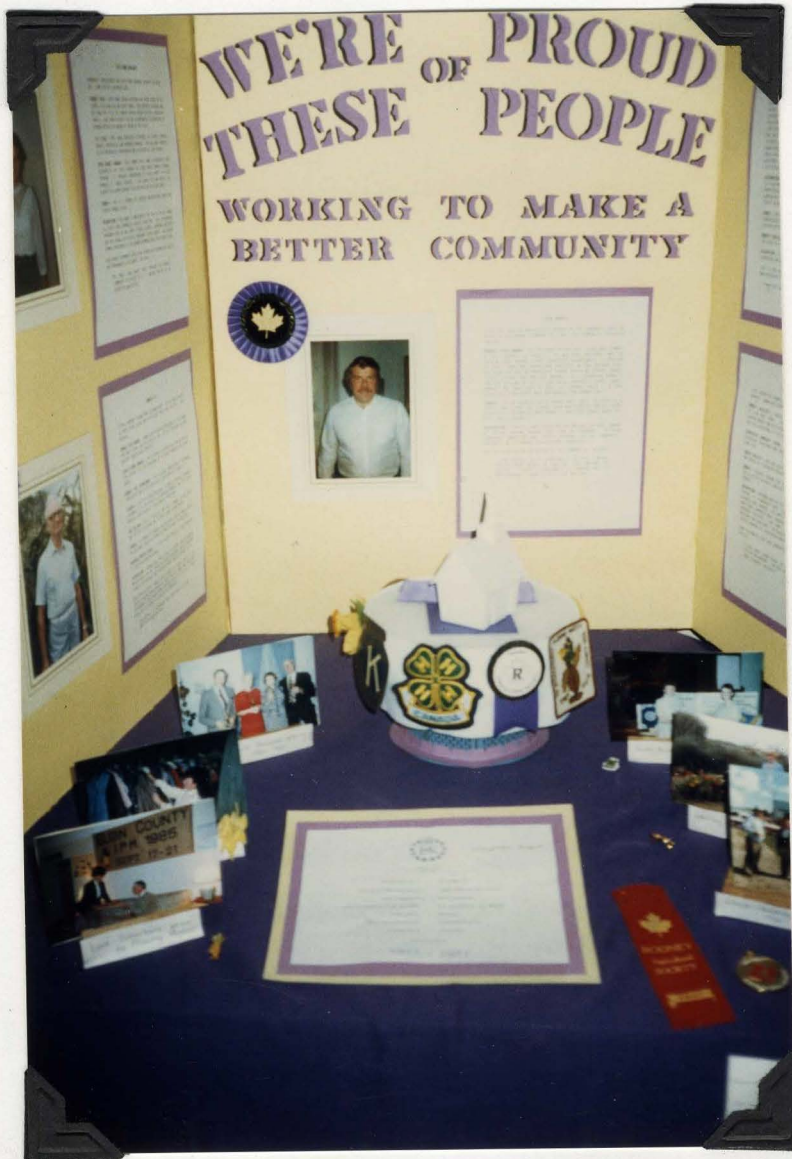


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B.P.

And the Winner is ?- The three candidates to be the new Rodney - Aldborough Fair Ambassador wait with baited breath to see who will represent the Fair for the upcoming year. From left to right they are: Heather McPhail, Charlene Carroll and Kim Falkins. And the winner was Charlene Carroll.

Community
Services

Members of Clackan W.I. entered a group display in Rodney Fair 1985. "We're Proud of These People" featured pictures and stories of 5 Aldborough residents.



The exhibit was prepared by Willa Johnston, Betty Purcell and Lois Koolner with help from institute and family members.

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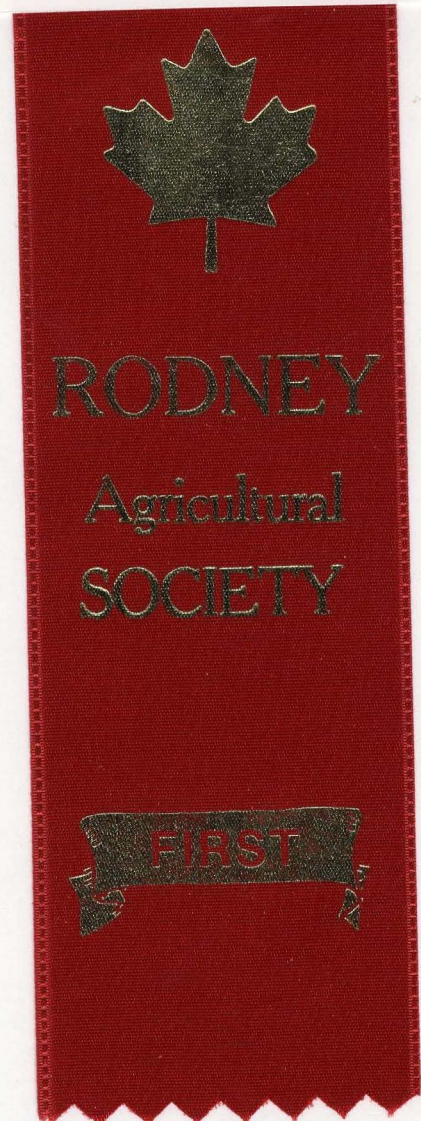
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FINAL PREPARATIONS -- Members of the steering committee finish preparations for a Elgin County elementary school teachers seminar introducing Agriculture In The Classroom on Aug. 28. Pictured are Shirley Bechard (left), secretary-treasurer Elgin Farm Safety Association; Donna Lunn, committee chairman, Ammie Lunn, 11; Bonnie Wilson, Elgin OMAF Rural Organizations Specialist, Gayle Bogart, representative Farm Labour Pool and Ontario Federation of

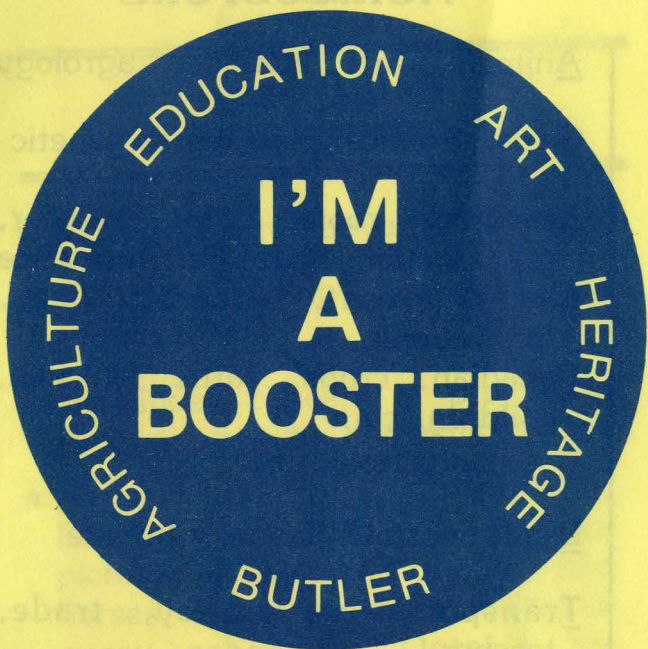
Agriculture and Margie Carroll, Women's Institute member and Southwold Township teacher. Absent were Carman Cantelon, Elgin Board of Education and Liz Popovich, representative Elgin Separate School Board. The women are displaying numerous items which will be placed in the Agriculture In The Classroom kits. Much of the material was donated and the felt hand puppets and larger dolls were made by volunteer labour.

Agriculture-in-class hits Elgin

By Heather Buchanan
 Elgin County this fall will join the ranks of several other counties by introducing agriculture into separate and public school classroom curriculums.
 The addition of agriculture-in-the-classroom for Elgin is the result of work started by a steering committee, made up of several agriculturally orientated groups, last winter.
 To provide the teachers with a better understanding of the program's potential, a day-long seminar is being held on Aug. 28 at Locke's Public School in St. Thomas, committee chairman Donna Lunn said.
 The seminar is available on a voluntary basis, Mrs. Lunn said. About 100 teachers have already registered.
 Activities will include tours through modern farm facilities. They'll be visiting dairy, beef, cash crop, swine and turkey operations.
 "We wanted to tour modern farm operations to show the teachers that farming is business-orientated," said Mrs. Lunn.
 And, local commodity groups have donated lunch which will include the best produce Elgin has to offer.
 There will be a short afternoon discussion on available resource

material, and Ross Daily, CFPL-TV host of This Business of Farming, will be feature speaker.
 Mrs. Lunn said for a long time numerous agricultural organizations in Elgin have been interested in seeing agriculture play a more important role in the county's schools.
 A decision to pool resources at a general meeting last January resulted in the development of a program which provides not only the student but the teacher with a better understanding of farming.
 The program -- which is targeted for Grades 1 through 8 in separate schools, and Grades 1 through 6 in public schools -- will provide five kits for distribution among the schools. The kits will include felt hand puppets of farm animals and people, larger stuffed puppets and dolls, toy machinery, soil and seed samples and educational material (which can be reproduced) from numerous commodity boards.
 Mrs. Lunn said about \$700 had been donated for the kits by concerned farm-related groups and agribusinesses. She added that numerous items and materials had also been donated by commodity boards and organizations.

She said the steering committee was made up of Bonnie Wilson, ROS representative OMAF; Shirley Bechard, Elgin Farm Safety Association; Marg Carroll, Women's Institute; Donna Lunn, Women for Survival of Agriculture and Elgin Federation of Agriculture and two representatives from each school board.
 Teachers still interested in attending the day can contact Bonnie Wilson at 631-4700 or, if long distance, 1-800-265-4377.



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Ross Butler

CANADIAN ARTIST

- ★ Oxford County native
- ★ "Worlds Leading" livestock artist and sculptor
- ★ developed concept of proportion as it applies to domestic breeds
- ★ contracted by Minister of Education in 1930's to produce pictures of dairy and of cattle and horses. These were distributed to every school in Ontario for teaching use. Federal Government procured series for use in all provinces in 1930's
- ★ created life-size butter sculptures at C.N.E. and Royal Winter Fair

EDUCATION

The school packet will be the work of international recognized Oxford County artist Ross Butler. Current pictures from breed organizations will complete the series.

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ORDER PLEASE — Carol Woolner, one of 28 young people who accompanied members of Elgin County Council to their session Wednesday, pounds the gavel as other young people and council members look on. Rear, left to right, are Warden Nelson Johnston, Robert Barclay, Bayham Township Deputy Reeve Mathew Schafer, Judy Wilson, and South Dorchester Township Reeve J. B. Wilson. Flanking Carol are brothers Donald (left) and Edward Ketchabaw. — (T.-J. Photo).



Community
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WMS anniversary happy occasion

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HAPPY CELEBRANTS — Mrs. Greta Quinton, a member of the Kintyre WMS for more than 58 years; Mrs. Isabel Braddon, life member of the Kintyre WMS; Rev. John Vaudry, minister of the Kintyre Presbyterian Church; Mrs. Doris Murdoch, life member and wife of former minister, Rev. G. W. Murdoch; Mrs. Ola Jamieson, life member and former president of the WMS; Mrs. Hilde Morden, current president of the Kintyre

WMS; Mrs. Hazel Stalker, president of the London Presbyterial; Mrs. Jessie Rayner, president of Hamilton and London Synodical; Mrs. Margaret Ford, member of the WMS council, western division, and Mrs. Thelma Wotton, president of Chatham Presbyterial, helped to celebrate the 95th anniversary of the Kintyre Women's Missionary Society at the church. — (T-J Photo).

RODNEY — Kintyre Women's Missionary Society celebrated its 95th anniversary last week, with more than 100 persons in attendance.

The anniversary service was held now, instead of during the group's centennial year, to ensure more past members of the association would be able to attend, WMS life member Mrs. Marion Fleming said. Many of the group's older members have moved to surrounding towns and younger members thought a 95th anniversary would be more beneficial than waiting until the society was 100 years old, she added.

The Kintyre WMS was formed in May, 1890 by Mrs. John Currie, wife of the Rev. John Currie, minister of the church. The first recorded minutes of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society are dated Dec. 20, 1894, with Mrs. D.

McLean as secretary. During that meeting, Mrs. D. McMillan was appointed president and Mrs. James Fleming, secretary for the following year.

By 1985, the Society included more than 11 members \$229.59 was raised for missions. Delegates travelled to Presbyterial meetings in London, Ont., St. Thomas, Toronto, Gelfh, Ont., and Glencoe, Ont.

Organizers of the reunion noted members of the society packed a bale of clothing and sent the package to the North West Indians. The custom was abandoned in 1983.

Three organizations united to form the present Women's Missionary Society on May 15, 1914 at Knox Church in Toronto. The Kintyre Women's Foreign Missionary Society followed suit, changing its name to the present Knox, Kintyre Women's Missionary Society. More than 42 life memberships have been bestowed upon members

of the Kintyre WMS and the society has continued to prosper, organizers said.

Society president Mrs. Earl Morden was pleased to welcome members and guests to the afternoon reunion at the church and introduced Mrs. John Fleming and Mrs. D. McDougall, who gave the devotions

Mrs. G. Nogradi per-

formed a solo, Just a Closer Walk, and greetings were given by Mrs. R. W. Ford, Mrs. K. Rayner, Mrs. H. Stalker, Mrs. G. Wootton, Mrs. G. W. Murdoch and Mrs. Robert Waite.

Rev. John Vaudry, current minister at the church, discussed the future of the WMS at Kin-

tyre, while Mrs. Roy Alderton and Mrs. William Downie gave a brief overview on the group's history and Mrs. Nogradi performed a second solo, Bless This House

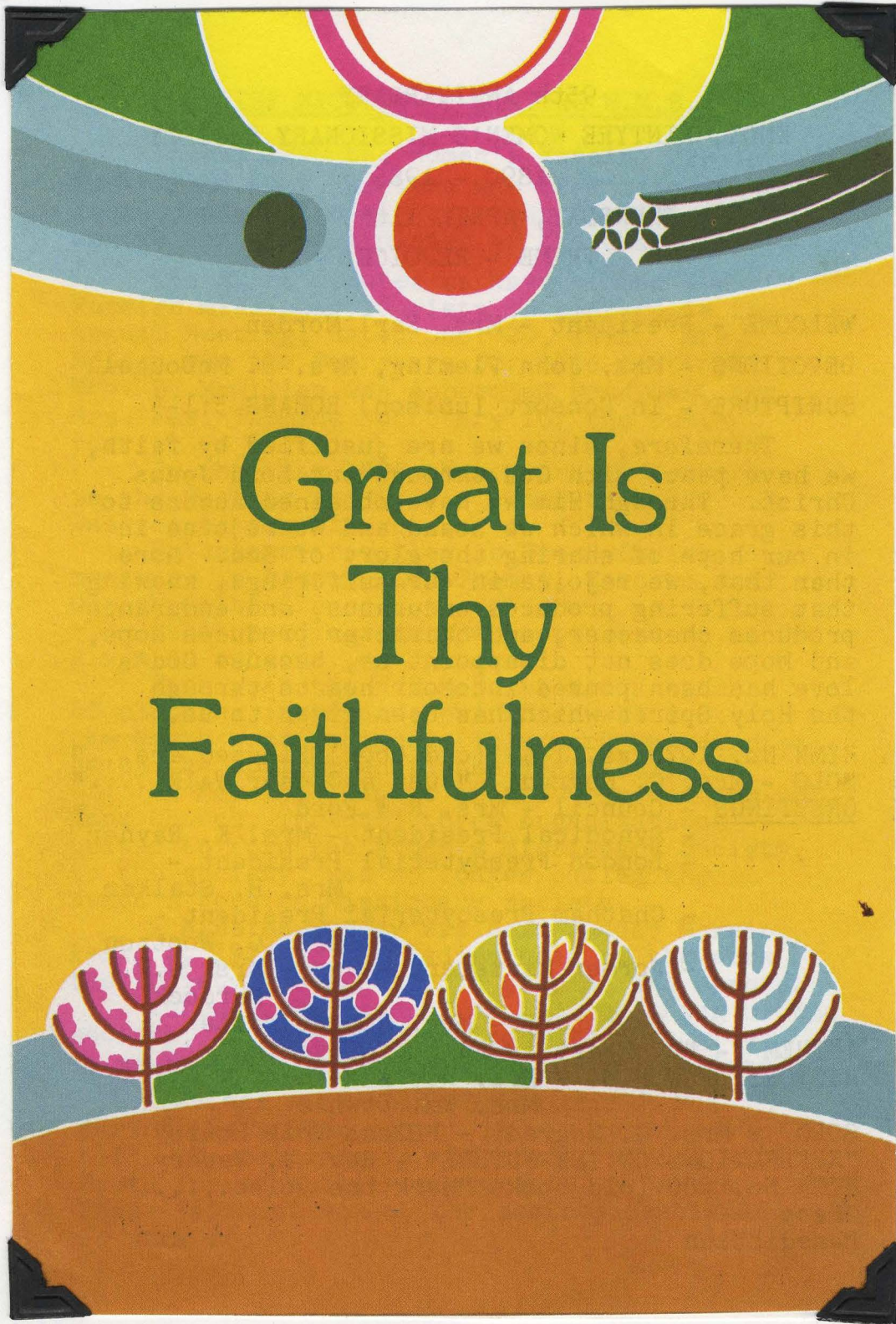
Following the formal program, a social hour and time for recollection was enjoyed by the women.

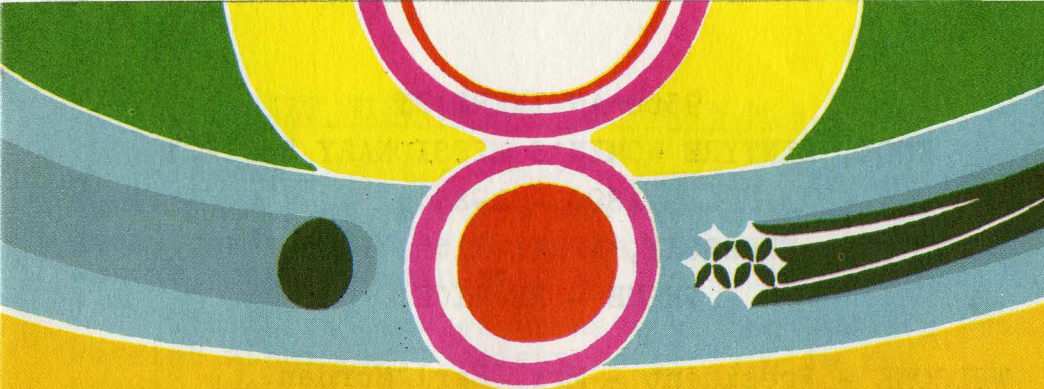


*W. M. S. members
Betty Alderton
Maue Downie
Margaret McDougall
Marion Fleming
Hilde Morden with
minister - Rev. John Vaudry*

W. M. S. celebrate 95th Anniversary
Knox Church, Kintope.

April 1985





Great Is
Thy
Faithfulness



95th ANNIVERSARY

KNOX, KINTYRE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

1890 - 1985

THURSDAY, APRIL 11th, 1985

THEME - REJOICE!

WELCOME - President - Mrs. Earl Morden

DEVOTIONS - Mrs. John Fleming, Mrs. D. McDougall

SCRIPTURE - In Consort (unison) ROMANS 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us.

HYMN No. 107 (vs. 1-4) (old book) "Blessed are..."

SOLO - Mrs. G. Nogradi "Just a Closer Walk....."

GREETINGS - Council - Mrs. R.W. Ford

- Synodical President - Mrs. K. Rayner

- London Presbyterial President -

Mrs. H. Stalker

- Chatham Presbyterial President -

Mrs. G. Wootton

- Former Ministers Wives - Mrs. G.W.

Murdock

- Secretary - Mrs. Robert Waite

ANTHEM - "My Heart is Full of Love"

HISTORY OF W.M.S. - Mrs. Roy Alderton

Mrs. Wm. Downie

SOLO - Mrs. G. Nogradi - "Bless This House"

"REFLECTIONS ON THE FUTURE" - Rev. J. Vaudry

HYMN No. 586 (old book) "Hark the voice....."

Grace

Benediction

BRIEF HISTORY OF KINTYRE W.M.S.

In May 1890 the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of Knox, Kintyre was organized by Mrs. John Currie, wife of Rev. John Currie, who was at that time minister of the Church.

The first minutes we have of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of Kintyre is the Annual Meeting, dated Dec. 20, 1894. Mrs. McLean was the Secretary for this meeting. Mrs. D. McMillan was appointed President and Mrs. Jas. Fleming Secretary for the coming year.

In the year 1895 there were 11 members in the Society and it was noted that \$229.59 was raised for Missions.

Delegates travelled to Presbyterial meetings in London, St. Thomas, Toronto and Guelph, also Glencoe.

Bible readings at the meetings were given in consort.

Each year the W.F.M.S. packed a bale of clothing (used and new) which was sent to the North West Indians. (This work was carried on by the society until the year 1983).

On May 15, 1914 at an historic meeting in Knox Church, Toronto, three organizations united to form the Women's Missionary Society, so the society was no longer called the Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

A Mission Sunday was held Sunday Morning, April 2, 1978. The ladies told of the work the society has done, both at home and abroad.

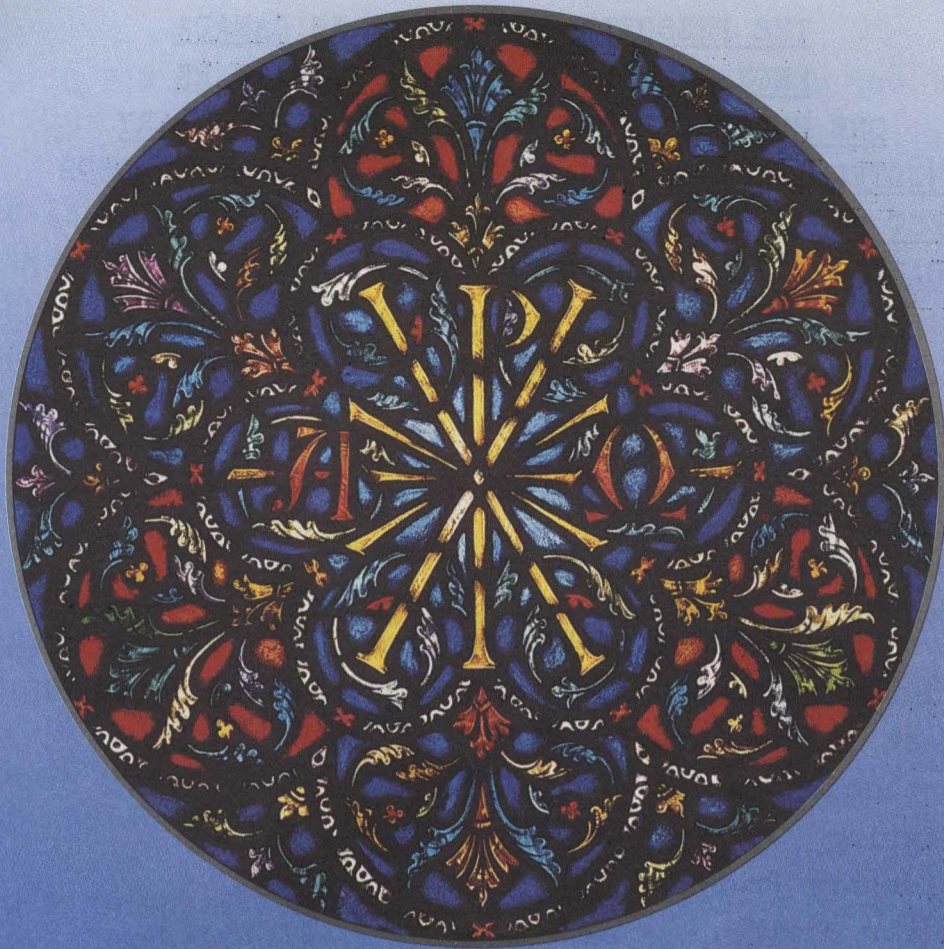
Through the years from the beginning of the society, 42 Life Memberships have been given to members of the Women's Missionary Society.

Meetings were held in the church but during the winter months it was decided to hold the meetings in the homes, hoping this would increase their membership. Through these faithful women, our society continues to work today.

LIFE MEMBERS

- 1913 - Mrs. James Mrs. J. McWilliams
1917 - Mrs. A.R. McRae 1957 - Mrs. H. Humphrey
1922 - Mrs. Dan Graham 1958 - Mrs. A. James Sr.
- Mrs. John Lamont 1959 - Mrs. C. Tunks Sr.
- Robena Lahore 1960 - Mrs. D. Taylor
1927 - Mrs. Barbara Graham 1961 - Mrs. D. McDougall
- Mrs. J. H. Paterson 1962 - Mrs. W. Gillies
- Mrs. N.D. McMillan 1963 - Mrs. R. Alderton
- Miss Mary Anderson 1964 - Mrs. A. James Jr.
1940 - Mrs. John Braddon 1965 - Mrs. R. Waite
1941 - Mrs. G.W. Murdock 1966 - Mrs. G. Woolner
1942 - Mrs. R.E. Jamieson 1967 - Mrs. E. Morden
1943 - Mrs. Jessie Anderson 1969 - Mrs. W. Downie
1944 - Mrs. J.D. Scott 1970 - Mrs. Clarence
1945 - Mrs. Irene Campbell McWilliams
1946 - Mrs. J.D. Graham 1971 - Mrs. C. Hornal
1948 - Miss Jessie Colquhoun 1974 - Mrs. G. Quinton
1949 - Mrs. D.M. McLean 1975 - Mrs. J. Fleming
1950 - Mrs. Lewis Ford
1951 - Mrs. Gordon Tunks
1952 - Mrs. Neil Scott
1953 - Mrs. A.N. Currie
1954 - Mrs. Angus Braddon
1955 - Mrs. J.M. Fleming
1956 - Mrs. Ed. Poole

August 10, 1986
Kintyre Presbyterian Church
125 years

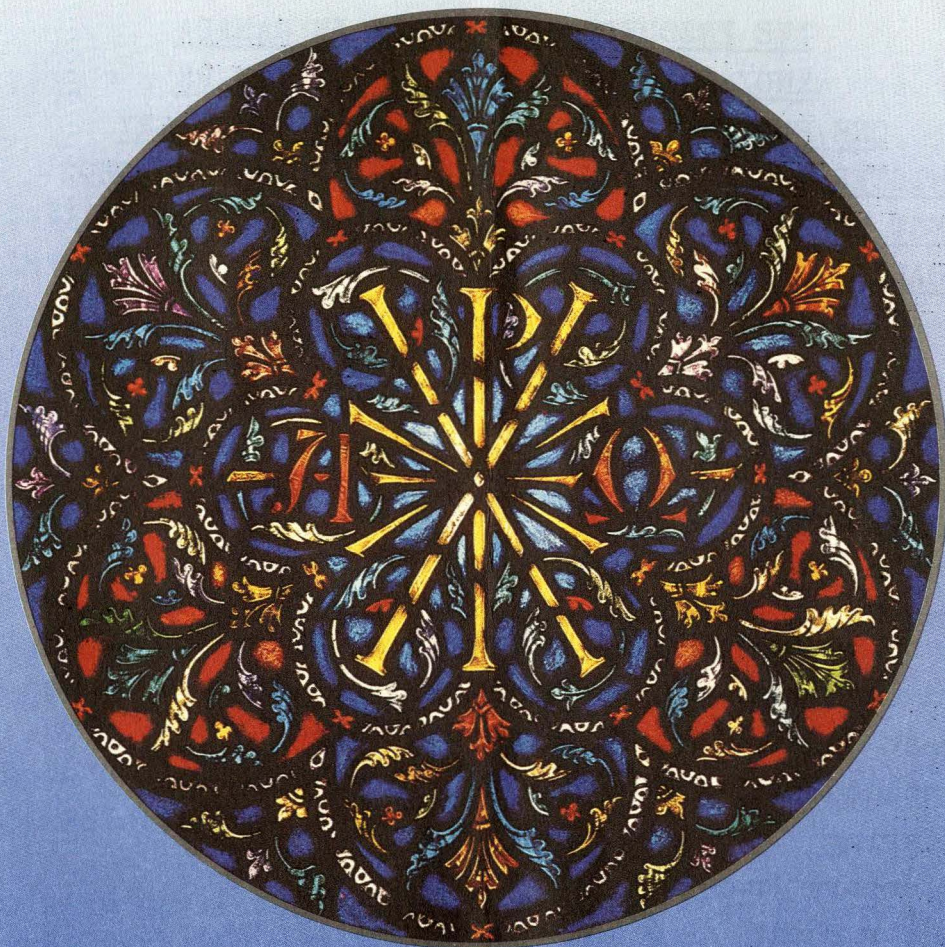


Anniversary

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

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ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

MINISTER - The Rev. John Vaudry - Phone 785-0592

GUEST MINISTER - Dr. W. Stanford Reid

ORGANIST - Mrs. Robert Walker

SUNDAY, August 10, 1986

MORNING WORSHIP - 11:00 A.M.

Organ and Piano Prelude

Call to Worship

Invocation

Lord's Prayer (sung)

Hymn No 42 (Old Book 86) "All people that on..."
to be followed by The Doxology "Praise God..."

Old Testament Lesson: Deuteronomy 32:1-9

Guest Soloist - Alex Moore

Announcements

Offering

Offertory Prayer

Junior Choir

New Testament Lesson: Col. 1:1-20

Prayers of Thanksgiving, Intercession and
Supplication

Guest Soloist - Alex Moore

Hymn No. 325 (Old Book 325) "We love the place,..."

SERMON; "CHRIST IS LORD"

Hymn No. 307 (Old Book 295) "The church's one...."

Benediction

Choral Amen

Organ and Piano Postlude

We would like to thank our guest soloist, Alex Moore of Beachville for providing us with special music today.

EVENING WORSHIP - 7:30 P.M.

7:20 P.M. - Hymn Sing of evening hymns from the
Old Book
684 (1,2) 673 (1-3) 666 (1,2) 663(1,2)

Call to Worship

Invocation

Hymn No. 238 (Old Book 258) "Ye servants of God"

Scripture: Isaiah 54

Guest Soloist - Alex Moore

Announcements offering Offertory Prayer

Choir

Guest Soloist - Alex Moore

Prayer

Hymn No. 308 (Old Book 299) Jesus, with Thy Church"

SERMON: "Lengthening our Cords and Strengthening
our Stakes"

Hymn No. 509 (Old Book 540) "Lead on, O King...."

Benediction

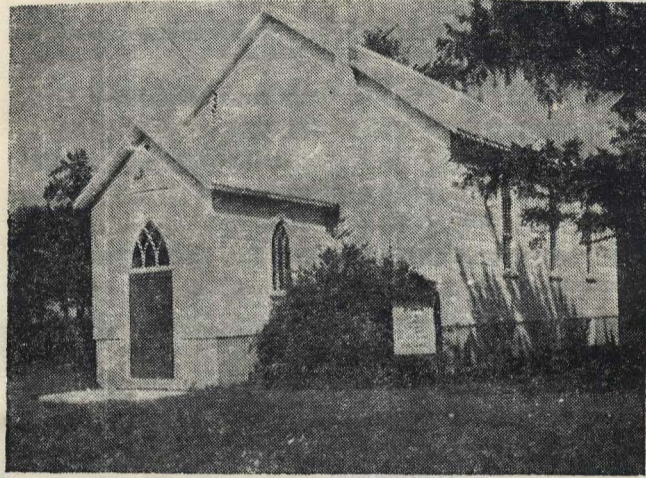
A warm Christian welcome to our friends from other congregations who are joining in our celebration today of a century and a quarter of Presbyterianism in Kintyre.

All are invited to remain after the morning service for a luncheon and after the evening service for a fellowship hour.

Our guest preacher is the Rev. Dr. W. Stanford Reid a minister of the Presbyterian Church in Canada who is Emeritus Professor of History at the University of Guelph. Dr. Reid is one of the World's leading authorities on the Protestant Reformation, and in his retirement continues to write and lecture in many countries. We are privileged to have him with us today and trust God will challenge and strengthen us through his messages.

We also appreciate the special music provided by our organist, Shirley Walker, and pianist, John Fleming.

100th ANNIVERSARY SERVICES



Clachan Baptist Church

Sunday, October 3rd, 1971

Services 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Guest Speaker **REV. M. F. CORNELIUS**, Chatham

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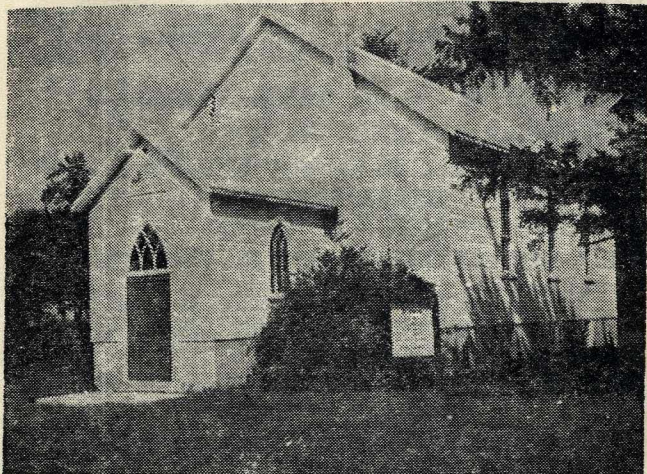
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CLACHAN BAPTIST

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—ORDER OF SERVICE, October 3rd, 2.30 P. M.—

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

INVOCATION

HYMN NO. 45 - "Jesus, Wondrous Saviour."

RESPONSIVE READING - No. 723

DUET - "I've Been To Calvary" by Joanne Purcell
and Judy Mann.

PASTORAL PRAYER

WELCOME and GREETINGS - By Visiting Ministers

OFFERING

ANTHEM - "Nothing Is Impossible" By the Church
Choir

CHILDREN'S STORY - "Be Sure your Sin will find
you out."

CHILDREN'S HYMN NO. 415 - Yield Not To
Temptation"

SCRIPTURE READING

DUET - "If We Could See Beyond Today" - *Joanne Purcell
& Judy Mann*

SERMON - "The Easy Yoke."

HYMN NO. 503 - "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Saviour"

BENEDICTION

We were happy when Rev. M. F. Cornelius accepted the invitation to be speaker on this 100th Anniversary occasion, and we have been looking forward to his ministry with keen anticipation.

After this afternoon service everyone is invited for supper provided by the ladies. We will eat at the Clachan Hall.

—ORDER OF SERVICE, October 3rd, 7.30 P. M.—

PRELUDE

SONG SERVICE -

No. 479 - "God Loved The World Of Sinners Lost"

No. 488 - "Come, Let Us Sing Of A Wonderful
Love"

CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN NO. 554 - "Saviour Breathe An Evening
Blessing"

INVOCATION

ANTHEM by Kintyre Presbyterian Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

PRAYER

WELCOME - By the Pastor. Words of greeting by
visiting ministers

ANTHEM

ANNOUNCEMENTS and OFFERING

HYMN NO. 498 - "More Love To Thee, O Christ"

SERMON - "The Exciting Life."

HYMN NO. 472 - "Come To The Saviour Now"

BENEDICTION

We welcome all who have come to worship, and especially those who are visitors. It is a pleasure to have this opportunity to worship and fellowship together. We are most grateful to the Kintyre Presbyterian Choir for their ministry in music.

History compiled by former
minister Rev. Fred L. Nelson (1966-1973)
Wm. Nelson passed away in 1984

A Brief Summary Of The Church's History

Families of Baptist persuasion who lived in the South-West part of Aldborough Township, some who were attending church in Newbury, decided to organize a church in their own area. The organizational meeting took place at the home of John McLarty on the 3rd concession of Aldborough, the 9th day of June, 1871. Rev. P. G. Robinson, assisted by Rev. E. Turner, gave leadership in organizing, and continued as the church's first Minister for the next two years.

The Church was known as the "Aldborough Plains Regular Baptist Church." There were 37 Charter Members, and the worship services were called, "Covenant Meetings," and the sanctuary was referred to as the "Chapel." The terms Reverend and Elder seem to have been used interchangeably, although the latter applied to all leaders who had not been ordained. All these terms continued in this church well into the present century.

There was a rigid standard of conduct set for the members and leaders alike. Often difficulties arose over discipline, as evidenced by pages cut from the minutes in two places. Probably in part,

it was this serious attitude regarding conduct of the followers of the Lord, that has brought us to this day. It is said, "No man lives to himself," and is true of these men and women, for this small church has transferred of its membership to points far and wide.

At first this church was a part of the Western Association of churches. Later that Association was divided into two, and Elgin Association included Aldborough Plains Baptist church. At first there was much changing of the number of churches in this field. Connection with several churches in the early years is mentioned. With Newbury, probably called Mosa at times, with Palmyra and The River Church (the location is not clear). However, continuously from the first, this church was part of the field with Rodney and West Lorne. The latter was called Bismark until 1914. In 1924 Aldborough Plains and Bothwell became the same field, in the Western Association.

The church was located on Black's Lane, 1/4 mile South of the 3rd concession of Aldborough Township. After 76 years of service, and having been renovated, several times, once in 1887 because of fire, it was in need of repair. So after much thought it was decided to move the church building to the present location at Clachan; this took place in 1948. The name was officially changed to, "Clachan Baptist," in 1968.

Although often experiencing difficulty, a Sunday School has been maintained throughout most of the century. Organized first in 1882, with seven teachers, it gave many of the church's future members their first desire to follow the Lord.

The first mention of an organist appears a long time after organization, although it is noted that James McColl in 1875 was appointed to lead the singing. Jessie McLeod was the first organist, and along with Annie McPhail was the first choir committee. Since that time the church has been well served by its members in the ministry of music.

Through the years this church has sponsored many christian activities. Mission groups, Young People's Summer Bible School, and in all these it has had a keen desire for the spread of the gospel. It has enjoyed co-operating with other denominations to this end. Social life was not left out. Many Teas and entertainments were held in the early years, plays and concerts and other activities taking varying forms with the passing of time.

The names of descendants and relatives of many founding families appear consistently in its history, and many are still faithful to-day in their service for the Lord. The faithfulness and persistence of the Deacons and other officers of the church in co-operation with the membership evokes admiration and challenge.

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Ease of achievement is not necessarily a mark of success. By persistently following the Lord's leading this church has arrived at this one century mark. Some 32 Pastors are named in its history. Three were student summer pastorates. The average length of pastorate was not long, especially in the first years but there were exceptions. It seems from the records, that the distances to travel between churches, and the number of churches on the field, lead in part, to short pastorates, but there are many kind expressions of appreciation for their leadership and labours, in the preserved minutes of meetings. #120 #17

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As we look back over this one hundred years, we say with Fanny Crosby, "To God be the Glory, great things He hath done," and as we look forward, we see Christ, and hear Him saying, "Follow Me."

CHURCH OFFICERS AT THE PRESENT

Deacons - Messrs Wm. Wright. Donald Wright,
Arthur Long. Lyle Mann;

Trustees - Messrs Garnet Long, Wm. Wright,
Arthur Long, Lyle Mann,

Church School Superintendents - Messrs Lyle
Mann, Arthur Long.

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Pray One For Another

(James, 5:16.)

“I CANNOT tell why there should come to me
A thought of some one miles and miles away,
In swift insistence on the memory,
Unless a need there be that I should pray.

“Too hurried oft are we to spare the thought,
For days together, of some friends away;
Perhaps God does it for us, and we ought
To read His signal as a call to pray.

“Perhaps, just then, my friend has fiercer fight
And more appalling weakness, and decay
Of courage, darkness, some lost sense of right;
And so in case he needs my prayer, I pray.

“Friend, do the same for me. If I intrude
Unasked upon you, on some crowded day,
Give me a moment's prayer as interlude;
Be very sure I need it, therefore pray.”

—Marianne Farningham

"CALL JOSHUA"

By Katharine Scherer Cronk



"CALL JOSHUA"

YOUR responsibility does not end with the days of our life. We are debtors also to the days after our death. A man's obligation to his post-mortem days is so important that God talked with one man about it. For many years Moses had been in a position of leadership, but God does not count that a man's responsibility ends with two score or even four score years of service. *"And the Lord said unto Moses, Behold thy days approach that thou must die: call Joshua."* With divine directness the Lord stated the certainty of approaching death. Here was no human weakness that cautiously suggested: "Now, in case anything should happen." There was no evidence of the professional finger of a physician or nurse warning against "undue excitement." The statement of the Lord was one of simple and certain futurity: "Behold thy days approach that thou must die." Neither was there any avoidance of the delicate subject of succession—"Call Joshua." The matter of supreme importance was not the choice of a suitable epitaph for Moses. The drawing up of specifications for his mausoleum, and the drafting of resolutions of appreciation of his work were not mentioned, nor the selection of hymns to be sung at his funeral. Above everything the Lord placed the on-going of the work which Moses had begun. When Joshua received his commission from the Lord, Moses was not found wailing because he had been laid on the shelf and his work was not appreciated. Deuteronomy 31:14 paints a picture which should be on exhibit throughout the ages. It portrays the co-operation of age and youth in leadership—"And Moses and Joshua went and presented themselves in the tabernacle of the congregation." On the same day Moses wrote a song and taught it to the children of Israel. His song was not of lamentation but of loyalty. To Joshua he gave the personal assurance, "I will be with thee."

No call is more needed in the missionary leadership of today than the Joshua call. Why should we deal evasively with ourselves? Only short-sighted leadership winces at the inescapable certainty of approaching death. Even for the youngest, the working days are few. At the very beginning of any important work there should be training for the leadership which provides for its continuance. There is no glory to the man whose work falls in crumbling ruins when he leaves it. Age should call youth. Experience should enlist and train inexperience. Together age and youth should present themselves in the tabernacle for the blessing of the Lord. There is no danger of youth running riot if, when Moses presents himself before the Lord, he calls Joshua to go with him, and if, when Joshua faces his tasks, Moses blesses him with the assurance, "I will be with thee." No leader has a right to die until he has called Joshua.

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The Place of Power



HERE is a place where thou canst touch the eyes
Of blinded men to instant perfect sight;
There is a place where thou canst say "Arise"
To dying captives bound in chains of might;
There is a place where thou canst reach the store
Of hoarded gold and free it for the Lord;
There is a place upon some distant shore
Where thou canst send the worker or the word.
There is place where God's resistless power
Responsive moves to thine insistent plea.
There is a place—a simple trusting place—
Where God Himself descends and fights for thee.
Where is that blessed place? Dost thou ask where?
O soul, it is the secret place of prayer.

The Conversion of Mrs. Duncan

M. F. S.

Mildred Duncan sat staring into the fire with unseeing eyes. In her hand she held a school annual named "The Shield." She was evidently thinking deeply and as the fire-light played over her features she looked the embodiment of the purposeful, cultured American girl. Occasionally a frown would contract her brows and again a smile would flit across her face and once a tear trickled down her cheek unheeded. She was startled when a hand was suddenly placed on her head and her brother's voice said banteringly,

"Well, Sis, having a few firelight fancies here by yourself?"

"Why, Jack, I didn't hear you enter! How long have you been here?"

"Just came; but, anyhow, you would never have known when I came, for you were in such a brown study you wouldn't have known if an earthquake had shaken the house down on your head. I called you twice before I touched you! What have you there? Oh, I see!! No use, Sis; father and mother will never consent to any such wild careers for either you or me. I suppose if you should take up vaudeville and I should go into High Finance, no matter how crooked, that would be 'our fitting station'; but to be a *missionary*—that *would* disgrace the family!! Gee whiz! Sometimes I feel like throwing up the whole thing and going to the devil!"

Jack threw the magazine he was carrying on the floor with a vicious fling and then kicked it out of his way as he walked over to the window.

"I know just how you feel, Jack, and sometimes I feel that way, too; but we wouldn't either of us give up for the world.

"I would be true, for there are those who trust me'" she sang softly, "and you wouldn't go back on your class of boys or the Boy Scouts; and I wouldn't fail my girls for anything—let alone disappointing our Master.

"I can't understand it, though, Jack. Last Thursday mother made such a wonderful talk at the missionary meeting and presented the needs so tellingly that my heart nearly burst and I thought surely she must have had a change of heart; but when I talked with her on the way home she was as cold as ether and almost as benumbing. She said she had in mind girls like Helen Langdon and Ruth, who had no prospects—she could not consider such a circumscribed life for one of her family—she would be glad to let me have the money to support some girl like Ruth, or Ruth herself, while she was in training. Why, Jack, I just *boiled!* I told her that Ruth Lewis was the brightest girl in college and could have any position she wished; and I asked her if she cared more for my position than she did for my eternal salvation. Then, of course, she cried and called me ungrateful and all that sort of truck.

"I have been doing a great deal of thinking and a great deal of praying and I've studied this 'Shield' from cover to cover; and every time I have thought of mother that verse from Acts—'Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye,'—has kept coming to my mind; and I know what I am going to do!"

Jack came over to the fireplace and stood looking down at Mildred, wonderingly. Could this stern-faced, decisive young woman be his gentle little sister? A new admiration came into his face. Verily she had qualities he had never dreamed she possessed. He listened eagerly as she continued.

"You know I shall be twenty-one in May. I can do as I think best after that, and father and mother do not need me. I shall not even deprive them of my company, for they were going to have me stay in New York next year with the Ransoms; and then, mother said they expect me to marry John Lawrence! Oh, bah! I am going to the Training School next September."

Jack whistled. "Say, but you have nerve, sis! You look exactly like father when he's carrying a point with the board of directors down at the bank. What *will* they say!"

"It does not matter. I have been called to deaconess work—"

"Deaconess work!! Worse and worse and more of it! They'll *never* consent. There's romance and some distinction in foreign missionary work—but a *deaconess*!! I tell you, they'll *never* consent!"

"No, I fear they will not—at least mother won't. Sometimes I think father—O, I don't know—but he said the other night that one often had to surmount almost impossible barriers in carrying out their ideals, but that if the prize were big enough the great soul would be undaunted; and he smiled at me with such an understanding smile that I almost believed he would yield. But mother took him away at once and I haven't had a chance to talk with him since."

"I'm for you, sis; and I'll do everything in my power to help you. Sometimes I feel as though

I *must* enter the ministry, myself, but I'm not sure yet. Sh—there comes mother. Did you see the poems in the last Digest?" He switched on the light and picked up the magazine he had so recently kicked out of his way and handed it to his sister and when their mother entered they were discussing poetry as though that was the most absorbing topic in the world.

The following Sunday their pastor, Dr. Lawton, preached a stirring missionary sermon in which he stressed the giving of one's greatest treasure to take the Gospel to those who knew it not. Then he announced the hymn, "O Zion Haste."

Mrs. Duncan sang with vigor until they came to the stanza

"Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious;
Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
Pour out thy soul for them in prayer victorious,
And all thou spendest Jesus will repay."

When she suddenly ceased and sat staring straight ahead of her.

The hymn ended, Dr. Lawton came down from the platform and said, "There may be young people in the audience this morning who wish publicly to dedicate their lives to the service of the King of kings. If so will they come and kneel at the chancel rail."

Without a moment's hesitation Mildred Duncan arose and walked down the aisle. From the other side of the church came Ruth Lewis and the young man to whom she was engaged—both student volunteers; Helen Langdon and Glenna Rosecrantz, the daughter of the leading merchant, joined them. After a moment Jack Duncan went forward and knelt beside his sister. Mrs. Duncan never moved. She seemed turned to stone.

Dr. Lawton asked the parents of those who were offering their lives to come forward and thus add their sanction and blessing to this consecration service. Softly the choir sang "Where He Leads I Will Follow." Ruth's widowed mother went forward, and the parents of the other young women; but the Duncans never moved. Misery pictured itself on Mrs. Duncan's face, otherwise there was no change. The silence was almost suffocating; save for the hushed music of the choir there was not a sound. Mr. Duncan leaned over and whispered something in his wife's ear, but she shook her head. He looked wistfully at the kneeling figures, then bowed his head upon his hands. Dr. Lawton was praying. Then the service was over.

Many gathered around the young people to wish them well, but Mr. and Mrs. Duncan hurried out to their waiting car and were driven rapidly home.

"She shall not do it—she shall not do it!" was all Mrs. Duncan could say.

When they had reached the privacy of their own living room Mr. Duncan said quietly, "My dear, I think you would better calm yourself. Remember, Mildred will be of age in two or three months and she has money of her own, she can do as she pleases—and I wonder if her spirit is so different from that of the girl who married a poor young clerk thirty years ago in spite of her parents' objection—and she is doing it for the Christ whom we both claim to serve."

Mrs. Duncan sobbed hysterically, "She's my b-baby, and I had such plans for her h-h-happiness!"

"If it's *happiness* you're seeking for her you ought to be satisfied. Did you see her face?"

"N-n-no—"

"Well, there they come and I think I was never prouder of them in my life." Mr. Duncan hurried out into the hall to meet the two conquerors.

Mrs. Duncan slipped away through the library and up a back stairway to her own room. She did not come down for the remainder of the day, pleading a headache.

On the morrow she made no reference to the occurrences of the day before. In fact she ignored all references to the subject. She threw herself more and more earnestly into club work and less and less into missionary service.

She was "ill" the day Mildred left for the Training School; and too busy to write during the years that she was away. During the summer vacations Mildred either taught in Daily Vacation Bible School or kept house for her father while her mother was at the seashore. On the few occasions that brought them together the subject was ignored.

In spite of the heartache Mildred kept steadily on, winning for herself a high place in the regard of all and better than that, carrying a convincing testimony of the power of the Gospel wherever she went.

After graduation she was sent to a Settlement in an eastern city in the very heart of the foreign district. Soon after, her mother appeared on the scene and announced decisively that she had come to take Mildred home.

"This nonsense has gone quite far enough. I will not stand it any longer," she said sharply.

Mildred's lips tightened, but she answered quietly, "Will you please come down stairs with me; I have a class of girls in kindergarten work now, so I will have to go."

For a moment her mother hesitated, then arose and followed her daughter, studying her as they went down the stairs. There was a poise, a dignity about her that frightened her mother a bit and raised doubts in her mind as to the outcome of the trip.

She was amazed at the group of neatly dressed little girls donning their aprons and caps for the afternoon lesson. They responded to the introduction which Mildred gave with as much grace and courtesy as the girls in her own church, with the exception of one girl, a new girl, there for the first time. The class work was very interesting to her; a devotional service and then a lesson in bed-making. She could hardly believe that it was her Mildred who was teaching in so able a manner. In spite of herself she felt proud.

After that class she called in some of the homes. They were not dirty as she had expected them to be—she was astounded! And everywhere they went the people greeted Mildred eagerly.

In the evening a group of young women came for a dress-making lesson and half an hour of reading. They were reading *poetry* and seemed to enjoy it! After the class period one of the young women remained to talk over some problems she was having at home with a wild young sister. Mrs. Duncan asked if she should leave. "Oh, no!" was the response, "You're her mother and you'll understand." Mrs. Duncan bowed her head in shame, but felt a warm glow in her heart nevertheless.

In the morning Mildred said, "Now we'll go to the real slums. My heart always aches when I go down on Fourth Street. We'll stop and get some flowers for Grandma Kay, bless her heart! She's such a dear old lady."

As they made their way down the dirty street and into the old tenement house, Mrs. Duncan again felt that she must take Mildred out of such surroundings; but as they mounted the four flights of stairs and Mildred greeted the mothers and children along the way, her emotions became very mixed. At last they entered a little back room where, propped up among pillows, lay a white haired old lady, with a face tranquil and serene in spite of the lines of suffering. It became radiant with welcome when she saw Mildred. She held the flowers as though they were priceless treasures; and she greeted Mildred's mother with delight. The room was barren and gloomy in itself, but somehow, as Mildred read and prayed and then sang in her rich contralto voice, it was transformed into a cathedral. Soon Mrs. Duncan heard a sound, and turning discovered a group of neighbors gathered about the door, their faces alight with appreciation.

Day after day she followed Mildred about her tasks, and, on Sunday when Mildred asked if they might sing a duet she assented willingly; and the hymn she chose was "Have Thine Own Way, Lord, Have Thine Own Way." Mrs. Duncan had been converted.

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Speaking to the King

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“Wouldest thou be spoken for to the king?”

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And she answered, I dwell among my own people.”

2 Kings iv: 13.

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Day by day, as we turn the pages of our Year Book, and month by month as we study the lists of missionaries in our magazines, we are reminded of the many who dwell not “among their own people,” but have made themselves strangers, for Christ’s sake, and who send us their most urgent message, “Pray for us.” With loving desire to give them this help, we pause sometimes at the very door of our closets or wait in silence around the Mercy Seat, puzzled what to ask of our King for those so far away, whose circumstances are so different from our own.

At such times it is a comfort to remember that “your Father knoweth what things ye have need of,” and the petitions, “Give this day the daily bread” and “Suit a blessing to the special need of the hour,” are far reaching and comprehensive; but having experienced the sweet-

ness of more definite asking for ourselves, we long to bring our missionary friends into that close intimacy that makes it possible "in everything to make their requests known unto the Lord."

Paul, that old-time missionary to the Gentiles, gives us some hints that nineteenth century missionaries will not pronounce out-of-date. Will you turn to them in your Bible?

Eph. vi: 19—Utterance; open my mouth boldly. The young missionary, struggling with the constructions and pronunciations of an oriental language, longing for the gift of tongues to spread the message with which his own heart thrills, will appreciate the prayer that utterance may be given; and courage to open the mouth boldly is alike the need of the timid soul who trembles in apprehension of his own mistakes in the use of an unfamiliar tongue, and of the one who dreads the opposition that the truth may arouse.

Col. iv: 3—An open door. The zenana worker, met by the message that her pupil can no longer receive her visits, turns sorrowfully away with Paul's prayer in her heart. Moslem rule and Hindu prejudice give abundant occa-

sion for such petition, even in this day of great opportunity, and everywhere sin has built up barriers.

For in every breast that liveth
Is that strange mysterious door;
* * * * *
There the pierced hand still knocketh,
And with ever patient watching,
* * * * *
Still a God is waiting there.

2 Thess. 3: 1—“That the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified.” Ecclesiastical restrictions in papal lands and ignorance and superstition the world around are obstacles to the free course of the Word of the Lord that is life and salvation.

He who knows the hearts of His servants better even than Paul did, said to one of them, "I have prayed for thee *that thy faith fail not.*" Firmly established upon the Rock of Ages himself, the missionary needs the cheerful trust that, in spite of disappointment and delay, can say with Judson, "The prospects of Foreign Missions are as bright as the promises of God."

There are some things that we need to keep in mind as we pray for our missionaries. They carry with them to their distant fields their own human natures, their love of companionship and refinements of social and intellectual

life, and their interest in the questions of the day. They leave behind them most of the helps upon which we depend as a constant stimulus to Christian activity. Giving out to others, day by day, their own hearts grow very hungry for that spiritual food that is provided so abundantly for Christians, old and young, in the home church. That the promised, "Lo, I am with you," may make up a thousand-fold for all that they thus miss, may be one of the petitions of our prayer.

In social life, they are, at most stations, shut up to a small circle of associates, not always naturally congenial, with few of the resources for recreation that lecture courses, concerts, libraries and daily papers provide as a relaxation for tired hearts in the home land; then, too, the depressing influences of climate cannot always be resisted. There are difficulties and anxieties, yes, and temptations, peculiar to the work of the evangelist, the teacher, the physician, the mother, the housekeeper, the new recruit and the veteran, that we can appreciate only as we make ourselves more and more familiar with the different phases of missionary experience, and with them we must always

couple in our prayers the native worker and all converts to the Christian faith, to so many of whom the accepting of Christ has meant becoming outcasts from "among their own people."

With such thought in mind, did you ever pray through your magazine? Try it for one month, with pencil in hand and a map before you. Note every request for prayer. Turn every expressed need into a petition, every reported success into a thanksgiving. Follow the travellers as they journey. Weep with the mourners over the closed grave. Such study will soon furnish abundant answer to our question, "What will we ask for?" and it will unseal some lips that have been silent at the hour of prayer.

A ready and courageous tongue, an open door, free course for the Word of the Lord, unwavering faith, daily strength for daily needs, the wisdom that is from above, the peace that passeth understanding, tact, patience, charity, but above all and with all and through all, the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit as Comforter and Guide, the power of the Holy Spirit to make each effort effective.

One who has come very close to the heart of missionary life has said: "Only those who know can sympathize, and only those who sympathize can pray."

That our prayers may be intelligent, let us neglect no opportunity to make ourselves acquainted with the history and progress of the missionary movement in all its details; that they may be sympathetic, let us, so far as an educated imagination makes it possible, put ourselves in the place of those for whom we pray, assuming to ourselves the difficulties of natural disposition, of surroundings and of work; that they may be effective, let us fulfill in our own lives the conditions set down by our Lord, "If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."

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"Thou art coming to a King,
Large petitions with thee bring;
For His grace and power are such
None can ever ask too much."

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Elgin West Women's Institute holds 67th annual meeting 1964

Elgin West District Women's Institute held the 67th annual meeting of the organization in the Kintyre Presbyterian Church, with the Clachan branch as hostess branch, on Wednesday, May 21, starting at 9:30 a.m. Mrs. Ivan MacAdam presided for the program and she was assisted by Mrs. Russell Campbell, secretary-treasurer of the district.

In her president's address, Mrs. MacAdam thanked members and friends of the 15 branches for the loyal support the past two years. The theme of the meeting was Sharing our daily bread and Mrs. MacAdam asked all to keep the spirit of sharing in Institute work. Pennies for Friendship and Save-the-Sight projects have been a special interest of Mrs. MacAdam's during her term of office.

A cordial welcome was extended to Mrs. Herbert Maluske, FWIO president, and to Mrs. Earl Morden, FWIO secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Maluske brought greetings from her office and Mrs. Gordon Gow, FWIO board member for subdivision 22, gave her report of the spring meeting of the board. Mrs. Gow announced that a substantial bequest had been given to the Erland Lee Homestead from Miss Marjorie Lee and that hastinotes, serviettes, place mats, etc. are on sale at the home to help in financing this Institute project. WI week is from June 9 through 15 and bus loads or car tours should make reservations before visiting the home. The branch secretary has forms of application for bookings.

A new design is needed for the WI brochure and members are invited to send in designs to the FWIO office before July 1.

The next Home and Country will have revisions for the hand book and members are asked to make the changes in their hand books immediately.

Mrs. Russell Harrison of Mount Elgin, has been appointed convener of Education and Cultural activities for FWIO. New courses being offered by the department are: Salute to vegetables, Personalizing your pattern, and Needlepoint for beginners. Mrs. Gow also said that Gordon Bennett is the new deputy-minister of Agriculture and Food.

The following dates should be kept in mind: May 26 meeting of Elgin County Rally in the Museum at 1:30 p.m.; June 6, Tea at the Bobier home, Dutton; June 11, Tea at the Elgin County Museum; June 24 Elgin County Rally picnic at Pinafore Park with a pot-luck dinner at noon. This, to celebrate International Women's year.

Mrs. Donna Doelman, Home Economist for Elgin spoke on the work accomplished by the 4-H Homemaking club members. Two projects have been completed since last year at this time and the new project is Stitch Witchery. Miss Lillian Fife of the Centennial club will be the exchange 4-H Homemaking club girl to visit Saskatchewan. There will be a food Forum, More about nutrition and family meals, and the training school will be either quilts, or Needlepoint for beginners.

Reports on convenerships were given by Mrs. J. D. Fraser, Resolutions; Mrs. C. Ford, Education and Cultural Activities; Mrs. Harold Butler, Canadian Industries and Agriculture; Mrs. Earl Morden, Family and Consumer Affairs; Mrs. Herbert Jackson, Tweedsmuir Histories; and Mrs. Herbert Parks on Public Relations.

A sing song led by Mrs. Bruce McMillan with Mrs. James Bennett at the piano was enjoyed by all.

During the luncheon, greetings were brought from Mrs. Wallace Laidlaw, president of London Area WI; Mrs. Owen Hawkins, South Oxford; Miss C. McDowell, Elgin East, and Mrs. Gow president of Elgin County Rally.

Several branches set up displays of their cushions, which had been made during the course 'Accessories for the Home' and these were much admired during the noon break.

Iona WI conducted a memorial service, and all joined in singing "Rock of Ages".

Mrs. Doelman conducted the election of officers for the year 1975 - 1976 and the new slate is as follows: past president and Federation representative, Mrs. I. MacAdam; president, Mrs. Elias Reck; first vice-president, Mrs. Clarence McWilliam; second vice-president and alternate Federation representative Mrs. Russell Campbell; secretary treasurer, Mrs. Herbert Jackson; assistant secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Bruce McMillan; PRO, Mrs. Herbert Parks; Auditors, Miss M. Leitch and Mrs. C. Blue; nominating committee, Mrs. N. McPhail, Mrs. J. D. Fraser and Mrs. Thomas Cook; committee conveners: Family and Consumer Affairs, Mrs. Morden; Education and Cultural Activities, Mrs. Ford; Citizenship and World Affairs Mrs. P. Willson; Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. Harold Butler; resolutions, Mrs. Donald McCallum; Tweedsmuir Curator, Mrs. Jackson; Associate curator, Mrs. Keith McLean.

Two long-time members were introduced: Mrs. Lloyd Smith, Iona Station has been a member for 65 years and Mrs. Walter McMillan, Rodney, for 59 years. Both are active in their own branches.

A report on the Elgin County Pioneer Museum was prepared by Mrs. J. R. Fatcher and read by Mrs. Jackson. Mrs. Fatcher urged members to try and reach the 500 membership mark this year and she issued a cordial invitation to attend the museum tea on June 11 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Mrs. D. E. Carroll reported from the Farm Safety Council and said that Mrs. John Begg will be the new council member. Mrs. D. Forsythe reported on the Daffodil Auxiliary. Forty-four patients are being helped and there is a great need for volunteer drivers, anyone interested in this work may contact Mrs. Ralph Palmer, Shedden; Mrs. Lorne Carroll Aldborough, Mrs. David Saunders, Dutton, or Mrs. Forsythe. Old Flannelette blankets are needed to make dressings.

The annual tea in aid of the auxiliary will be hosted by the Iona Station branch in the Baptist Church at Iona Station on August 13 both afternoon and evening. Mrs. Harold Butler reported from the Elgin Manor Auxiliary and announced the Family Picnic to be held on June 15 on the lawn of the home. Old Nylons, new material scraps and plastic egg cartons are needed at the Manor craft room.

To end the meeting in a lighter vein, Mrs. Clarence McWilliam and Mrs. G. Tears put on an amusing skit titled, Political Dialogue.

Gifts of appreciation were presented to Mrs. MacAdam and Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Reck expressed the courtesies of the day.



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CLACHAN 4-H CLUB MEMBERS INCLUDE: Barbara Woolner, Sidonia Farkas, Ruth Long, Carol Morden, Donna Tunks, Ruth Anne Woolner, Chantal Purcell, Vivian Tunks, Jamieson, Carol Woolner, Kathy Harris, Nancy Jamieson, Elsbeth VanAsten and Donna Long. Back row: Leader Lois and Leader Mrs. John Fleming.

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HISTORY OF THE RODNEY OIL FIELDS

(by Eva Newport)

In 1948 the late Dr. Charles Evans was the chief Geologist for Union Gas and at the time was conducting a diamond drill coring survey over a large area in Southern Ontario. This survey was to determine trends in the Dundee formation found at the top of the big lime formation. A core on the farm of John D. Graham had indicated an oil bearing structure. Union Gas was not interested so the leases were obtained by four men; James Beattie, Hanley Reaume, Lou Sadler and Wayne Kiser, this partnership was know as "Richfield Oil and Gas".

In 1954 the "Richfield Oil and Gas Co" was sold for a little over a million dollars to a company called "Felmont Oil Co" an operation from Kentucky. At the time that Felmont purchased the field there were 800 acres and 25 oil wells.

In the Fall of 1954, Wilbur Baxley came to Rodney from Kentucky where he had been an employee of Felmont Oil and Gas where there were wells 250 to 1000 feet deep, producing oil with a method known as water flooding. Baxley was in charge of the Rodney field from 1954 until March of 1962. The Felmont company added 100 wells with only three being dry wells. The spacings of the wells was 500 feet. At that time there were six drilling rigs engaged in drilling. The drilling contractors were Charles Nichols and Clarence Demaray, Gilbert and Dale Evans, Paul and John Palenkas and Sid Earl. The drilling rigs were 60LS and 24S. Among the earlier developers of the field were John Beattie (brother of James) and Elmer Roth. They were known as the Aldborough Oil Independent. Those who were involved with leasing the field were Don McMillan with Elmer Roth. James Goerss (Engineer), James Goerss (Engineer) and Jack Flum (production manager) with Dominion Gas. Cliff Kerr and Alphonse St Dennis with James Beattie, Franklin Sitler with Felmont. Alex and Armand James, Peter Nagtgel and George Bell. The late Angus McLean was a prominent land man. The delivery link to Sarnia was provided by Harold Marcus, whose tanker operation developed with the Rodney Oil Field.

At one time, 69% of Ontario's oil production came out of the Rodney field. The field produced up to until this time 8 million barrels, about half of this was secondary recovery.

Ownership changes included the sale of Aldborough Oil and Gas to Elgin Petroleum and then to Rayrock Mines. About the year 1963 A.E. Bud McKay became Foreman later being succeeded by the late A.D. McRoberts. He operated the Rayrock Co and the leases owned by Elmer Roth, which were in two separate water floods.

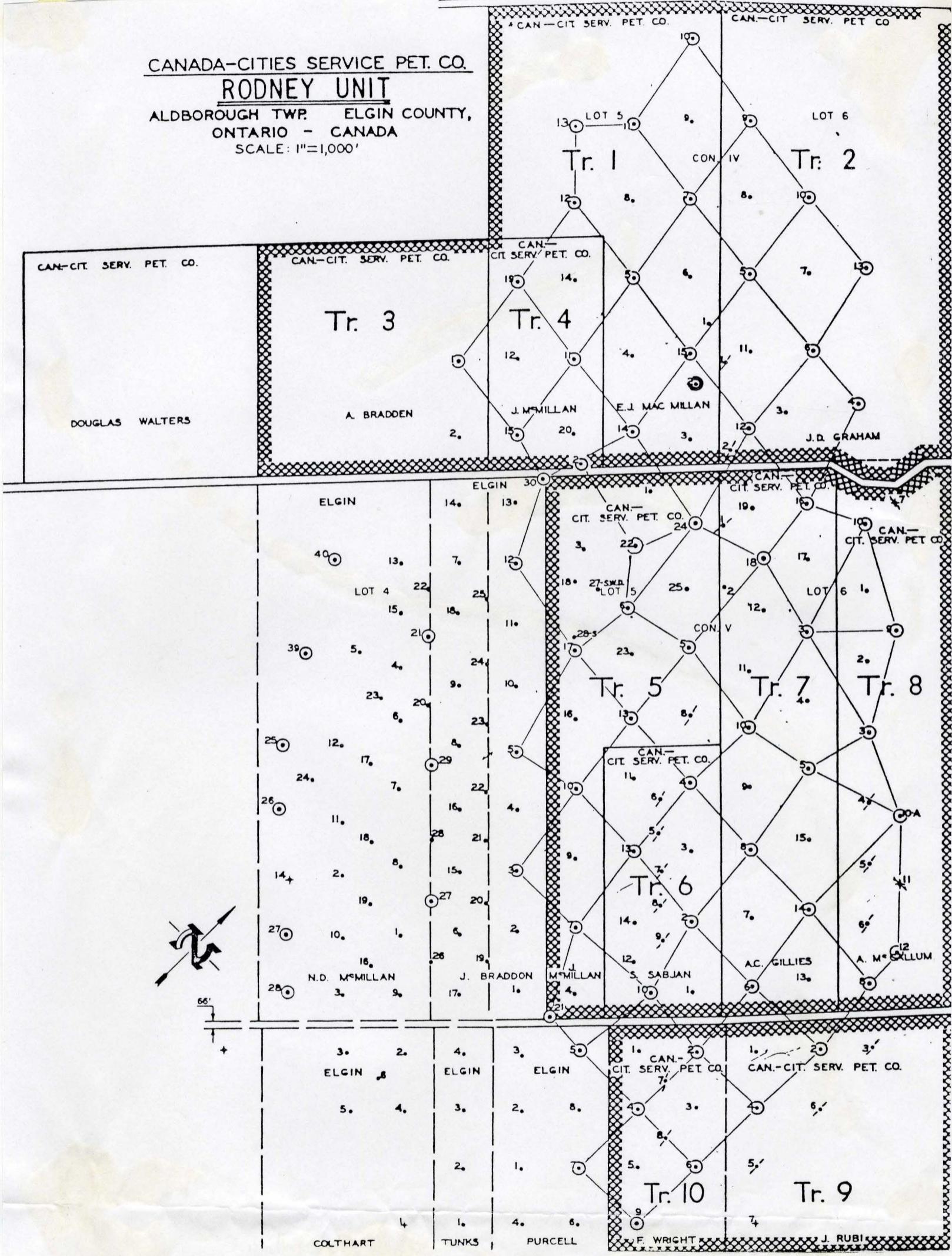
Dominion Gas sold out to Union Gas and Canadian City Service took over the field, having acquired the Felmont layout of the field in the year 1960. The Cities Service leases were the first of the three water floods being set up under the supervision of William Baxley and commenced in 1962. The big year for secondary recovery was 1966 with production of 282,000 barrels.

City Service in about 1983 joined with another company named Occidental. This company involved Gaiswinkler Enterprises who later sold to Lakewood Energy.

Lakewood Energy has now joined with a company known as Serenpet Inc. and in 1995 are still operating the field. At present, there are 140 wells pumping, producing 200-210 barrels per day. The field is a dome in the sandy dolomite called the "Lucas of the Devonian Age". Bottom of the oil production is 425 feet and highest tops about 380 feet. Maximum pay zone 17 feet. Water flood has worked well in the area, due to the excellent supply of fresh water and it is disposed of in the Detroit River formation. Marcus still hauls the oil via tanker to Sarnia.

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH SEMINAR

By Heather Buchanan
Participants in the second annual Community Outreach Seminar held recently near St. Thomas were told to aim for a goal in order to get the most from what was offered. Pat Ferraro, president of Well Said, proposed the 125 women attending from across Southwestern Ontario set a goal they felt so strongly about they would not want to give it up. "That's how I want you to feel about today. Succeeding is fun but, to get the most life has to offer, you have to contribute, aim for goals and motivate yourself to succeed," contended Ferraro.

The program which was organized by last year's committee made up of Women's Institute members, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food personnel and Women for Support of Agriculture representatives provided diverse and interesting topics for the day. They included learning how to stencil, various aspects of interior decorating, expressing oneself with confidence, make-overs, aspects of the Ontario Family Law Act and "incredible edibles" which included dandelion root coffee, rosehip syrup and Day Lily stir-fry.

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- 9:00 a.m. — Registration
- 9:30 a.m. — Rosalie Wysocki - Time for all things.
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- 10:30 a.m. — Break
- 10:45 a.m. — Workshops - Session A
1. Generating Extra Income - Part 1
 2. Time for Exercise
 3. A more colorful you (Wardrobe Planning)
 4. Time for Drugs
 5. Effective Parenting
 - 2 6. Speakers Corner
- 11:15 a.m. — Break
- 11:30 a.m. — Workshops - Session B
1. Generating Extra Income - Part 2
 2. Time for Crafts
 - 2 3. Personal Growth
 4. Time for Drugs
 5. Time for Volunteering
 6. Speakers Corner
- 12:00 noon — Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. — Workshops - Session C
1. Time for Exercise
 - 2 2. A more colorful you.
 3. Orchids
 4. Personal Growth
 5. Effective Parenting
 - 2 6. Speakers Corner
- 2:00 p.m. — Break
- 2:15 p.m. — Rosalie Wysocki
Taking Charge - It's Your Life.
- 3:00 p.m. — Conclude

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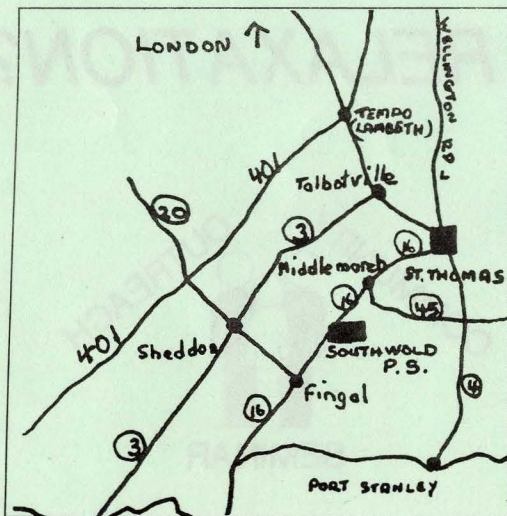
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Cost \$15.00
(lunch included)

Pre-register by January 20th, 1988
to guarantee first choice.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

PAT FERRARO is a graduate of Sheridan College Business Administration. Her company "Well Said" offer seminars on verbal communication. Pat will personally demonstrate how to get the most out of what you say.



AGENDA

9:00 a.m. — Registration

9:30 a.m. — Pat Ferraro - Motivating yourself to succeed.

10:30 a.m. — Break

10:45 a.m. — Workshops - Session A

1. Express yourself with confidence
2. Ontario Family Law Act
3. "Shape-up" the total you
4. Incredible Edibles
5. "You can Stencil"
6. Aspects of Interior Decorating

12:00 noon — Lunch

1:00 p.m. — Workshops - Session B

1. Express yourself with confidence
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3. "Shape-up" the total you
4. Incredible Edibles
5. "You can Stencil"
6. Aspects of Interior Decorating

2:15 p.m. — Break

2:30 p.m. — Pat Ferraro - "Well Said"

3:00 p.m. — Conclude



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In each session indicate 1st, 2nd choice by entering 1 or 2 in box. As some sessions are limited places will be allocated on a first-come basis.

SESSION A — 10:45 a.m. - 12:00 noon

- Express yourself with confidence
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SESSION B — 1:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

- Express yourself with confidence
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- "Shape-up" the total you
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SEND THIS SECTION TO:

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By January 20th, 1988

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Wardsville, an original in several ways

WARDSVILLE — The first settler and namesake of this southwestern Middlesex County village followed a more honorable path than many in the days when the white man was shoving his way into the new frontier.

George Ward bought his land from the Indians in 1810 while many of his pioneer contemporaries simply took it.

His original cabin was built along what became the Longwoods Road and is now more commonly known as Highway 2.

That location put the settlement, first called Ward's Station, in a strategic location because the road was a lifeline for traders and settlers.

As the village went through various name changes — Mosa was the second choice in honor of the sur-



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rounding township — it prospered for many years, reaching a peak population of 1,000 in about 1857.

But it missed out on a railway line and by 1888 the populace had declined to 600 and slumped even more to about 350 in the 1960s before rebounding to 500 today.

In its heyday, Main Street lots were worth \$70 to \$100 while prime farmland on the outskirts went for \$10 to \$20 an acre.

While geography had its benefits,

it also put Ward's Station four-square into the fighting between the British and Americans during the War of 1812.

Just a few kilometres east of the village on the Longwoods Road is an historical cairn marking Battle Hill, the site of a bloody skirmish between the Yankees and a detachment of British regulars and Indians.

The cairn, set on a hill overlooking a deeply etched gully, records the March 4, 1814, clash in which 12 British were killed and 52 wounded.

It appears the Americans used some imagination in successfully defending their position. They poured water down the hillside and after letting it freeze lured the British into attacking up the slippery slope.

Technically, the Americans won that battle, but they retreated the

next day and peace once again settled over the area.

By 1867, the community, now known as Wardsville, was ready for incorporation and officially became a village June 13. One of the new council's first actions was to pass a fire protection bylaw requiring that each building occupant keep two water pails handy in case of fire.

Time marched on and the little community earned a reputation for independence that was reflected in a propensity for voting against the popular tide in national elections.

That trait has extended well into this century and the village has stoutly resisted any attempts to amalgamate with nearby municipalities or lump it into such things as a planning district.

In the late 1970s, then-reeve Don Nisbet said Wardsville would give up its seat on county council rather than submit to a proposal for a political union with Newbury. The proposal was eventually defeated.

As Garnet Moore, a Wardsville native and retired Free Press editorial writer, said in a 1970 article about the village: "Wardsville has never been an establishment town or a colonial town. It is a Canadian original."

Pioneer women lacked equality but lived it

While equality of the sexes, as we know it, may not have existed in pioneer times, women had to endure the same hardships, trials and tribulations as their menfolk.

Time and again the story of Southwestern Ontario's settlement focuses on feats of strength and stamina performed by the so-called weaker sex when their protector-providers stumble.

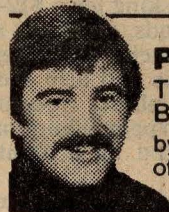
Two examples arose during the taming of Alborough Township in Elgin County, which, nestled against the Kent County border, was settled in the 19th century and named after a town in Suffolk, England.

The first occurred during the harvest of 1819 when an outbreak

of fever struck down entire families. Isolated by dense bush and lack of roads from the few doctors around, their very lives were threatened.

Finlay McDiarmid lay in his sick bed that fall, despairing of reaping the small crop of wheat planted to provide his family with bread for the winter. An added problem, even if he was healthy, was that he had no sickle to cut the wheat.

However, as the Elgin historical atlas remarks, "courage and industry will overcome all difficulties and Mrs. McDiarmid cut all one-and-a-half acres with the butcher knife, threshed it and



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ground it in a handmill to feed her two infant children and husband ..."

Mrs. McDiarmid — the atlas doesn't bother with first names for either woman in this story — was still hale and hearty at age 90 and perfectly willing to do it again if necessary.

The second woman, Mrs. McKil-

lop, stepped into the breach when her husband Duncan also fell ill, worn out by the grind of providing for his loved ones.

The family desperately needed a cow, but had no means of paying for one. So Mrs. McKillop trudged many miles through the bush to Chatham and worked for a farmer until she'd earned enough to buy a beast.

The farmer, says the atlas, "ever after esteemed Mrs. McKillop for her heroism and devotion in the cause of her husband and family."

The postscript is that her four sons went on to become among the wealthiest farmers and mill owners in the township.

Quilts

in our

Community



Gran Quilt

Owned by
Betty Purcell

Quilted by
aunts as a
winter project.



Dresden Plate

Owned by Betty
Purcell

Quilted by Knox
Presbyterian ladies.

It was a wedding
gift.



Rose of Sharon

Owned by Betty Purcell

Quilted by her aunt.
Was given to her
as a keepsake.



I have quilts belong to
Mrs. Edward Johnson.
They were quilted by.

box
quilted by
Mrs. Alice Johnson
Watson quilted
by
Mrs. Eliza
Howell



Patchwork Quilt



Patchwork Quilt



This quilt was made by
Armstrong (Bothwell) United
Church Women's Association
as a fund raised in the
mid 1930's. Each person
paid a small sum to have
his name embroidered by
the owner of each block
Leo Cross won the
finished product for
selling the most names.
The quilt was in his
"hope chest" and is now
a treasured family
heirloom

Owner - Madeline Cross
and family

There are more than 500
names embroidered on
the quilt





Dutch Boy Quilt.

Owned by Mrs
James Purcell

Quilted by Jim's
Aunt Marybelle and
given to him when
he was a small
boy.



Owned by Mrs. James
Purcell.

This quilt belonged
to Jim's family. It
was quilted by
his aunts.



Owned by Mrs.
Lyle Mason

Quilted by the
Beattie Hoes
Auxiliary Ladies.
Won by Mrs. Mason
in a fund raising
raffle.

Dahlia Pattern

Cross-stitched quilt
Embroidered & quilted by
Marion Fleming 1973





Clackam W.I. Celebrates 100 Year Anniversary of W.I.

B.B. Linda Ford, Louise Long, Christine Johnston, Louise Long, Shirley Johnston, Jill Morden, ?, Betty Percell, Lois Woolner
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Department of Agriculture
Women's Institute Branch

**Co-operative Programme
in
Home Economics
1944-45**



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A Letter to Members

Dear Institute Members:

Again we present for your consideration "The Co-operative Programme in Home Economics" and request your continued support in making it of service to the homemaking women of rural Ontario. The experiences of four years of war have proven the real value of participation in such an educational programme.

As this year's programme is being planned we wonder, as you do, if, by the time it is put into action in 1944-45, we in Canada may again be at peace. Our sincere hope is that this may be so. But we realize that the cessation of war will not bring with it, immediately, a period of plenty nor an easy solution to all our problems. Hence our programme for 1944-45 must have a two-fold purpose: (a) to assist homemakers to meet the changing demands of daily living as they arise and (b) to plan for a better post-war world.

Our fundamental objective remains the same,—“The promotion of better rural living,”—for home life is still, and will continue to be, the foundation of our national life. New and interesting developments in the problems of family living which face homemakers every day will be emphasized.

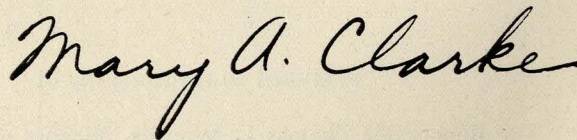
To the districts we offer the same types of service as last year—conferences, lecture-demonstrations, special services and rallies,—all of which may be arranged at convenient centres within the district.

Short Courses are offered again to local Institutes, especially those which have never had a course, or which have not had one recently. In these days of limited transportation facilities they may serve the need of your community to good advantage, permitting more people to attend, and allowing for adaptation to local conditions.

We urge you to make the educational services of the Department available to the whole community. Invite others to attend, publicize the meetings well and have a live committee to organize in advance.

Will you please read and discuss the following outline and help your Institute and district to select and carry through an educational programme "For Home and Country".

Sincerely yours,



MARY A. CLARKE, Superintendent.

Toronto, March 1944.

THE DISTRICT PROGRAMME**Types of Service Available**

- A. Study Conference—Clothing, Food and Nutrition.
- B. Lecture-Demonstration—Health Education.
- C. Special Services—Community Nutrition Meeting,
—Household Accounting,
—Citizenship in the Rural Community.
- D. Rally for Officers and Members.

Every district may select one type of programme from the field of Home Economics or Health Education (A. B. or C.) and in addition a rally for officers and members (D).

A—Study Conferences:

A study conference is a meeting for lecture and discussion on a topic selected by the district. This meeting will be conducted by an instructor from the Department. Members are urged to bring problems and questions pertaining to the topic and to take part in discussion.

These conferences will be followed by two or more local study meetings to be conducted by the Institute on topics selected at the conference. These studies may be held either at regular Institute meetings or at special meetings. The Department will provide material and suggested study outlines.

Conferences will be held at convenient centres in the district so that more Institutes may participate. If two or three Institutes can meet together this should be arranged; but, where transportation makes it necessary, a separate meeting may be arranged for each Institute participating. All meetings in one district should be scheduled for consecutive days for economy of time, transportation and money for the Department.

THE DEPARTMENT will provide an instructor and will be responsible for her travelling and living expenses.

THE DISTRICT will arrange a convenient itinerary with the instructor and give publicity to the conference.

THE INSTITUTES participating should arrange for a suitable place of meeting. They should co-operate with the Department and the district in planning a convenient itinerary for the instructor and in giving publicity to the conference. They will be responsible for assuring a good attendance.

Time required: One whole day or one half day for conference, depending on the subject, followed by two local study meetings later.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

B—Lecture-Demonstration (Health Education):

See list of topics page 7.

This will be a one-day meeting held at convenient centres in the district. If two or three Institutes can meet together this should be arranged; but, where transportation makes it necessary, a separate meeting may be arranged for each Institute participating. All meetings in one district should be scheduled for consecutive days.

THE DEPARTMENT will provide a graduate nurse as instructor and will be responsible for her travelling and living expenses.

THE DISTRICT will arrange a convenient itinerary with the instructor and give publicity to the lecture-demonstration.

THE INSTITUTES participating should arrange for a suitable place of meeting. They should co-operate with the Department and the district in arranging a convenient itinerary for the instructor, and in giving publicity to the lecture-demonstration. They should be responsible for assuring a good attendance.

Time required: One whole day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

C—Special Services:

Meetings will be arranged, as for lecture-demonstrations. The time required will vary with the service chosen.

Community Nutrition Meeting:

This special service is designed to interest all members of the community—men and young people as well as women—in nutrition. A lecture, illustrated with slides, suitable for an evening meeting has been planned. See page 10.

Household Accounting:

To interest women in household accounting a special afternoon lecture and discussion may be arranged. See page 7.

Citizenship in the Rural Community:

An afternoon meeting may be arranged for the consideration of women's opportunities as citizens. See page 7.

D—Rally for Officers and Members:

To help Institutes develop and maintain strong leadership an instructor in Administrative Leadership will be available.

Meetings will be planned to meet the needs of the district. If two or more Institutes can meet together this should be arranged; but, where transportation makes it necessary, a separate meeting may be arranged for each Institute participating. All meetings in one district should be scheduled for consecutive days.

THE DEPARTMENT will provide an instructor and will be responsible for her travelling and living expenses.

THE DISTRICT will arrange a convenient itinerary with the instructor, and give publicity to the rally.

THE INSTITUTES participating should arrange for a suitable place of meeting. They should co-operate with the Department and the district in arranging a convenient itinerary for the instructor and in giving publicity to the rally. They will be responsible for assuring a good attendance.

Time required: One whole day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

How to Select the District Programme

The district programme will be decided at the district annual meeting. The district may select ANY ONE programme in Home Economics or Health Education AND a Rally for officers and members.

The Institute:

1. The Institute officers should study the co-operative programme carefully, pass copies around to as many members as possible, and present the programme to the Institute at a meeting preceding the District Annual.

2. The Institute should make a tentative decision in regard to the type of district programme in which they wish to participate, making first, second and third choices.

3. The delegates should take a copy of the co-operative programme to the District Annual meeting and be prepared to express the wishes of their Institute.

4. Immediately after the district annual meeting every Institute secretary should notify the district secretary whether the Institute will participate in the district project. This must be done NOT LATER THAN JUNE 24, 1944.

5. Time should be reserved in the local Institute programme for participating in the district programme.

The District:

1. District officers and directors should study the programme carefully before the annual meeting, and write to the Department immediately if it is not clearly understood.

2. When planning the agenda for the district annual meeting allow time for presentation of the programme by the Departmental representative and for discussion and voting at the district annual meeting. It is recommended that this be in the latter part of the morning or the early afternoon.

3. The district secretary should send the application for district service to the Women's Institute Branch, Department of Agriculture, Parliament Bldgs., Toronto, NOT LATER THAN JULY 3, 1944.

OUTLINE OF DISTRICT PROGRAMME

Clothing and Textiles

Conferences

Care of Clothing:

Making clothing last as long as possible is a patriotic duty as it lessens the demand for new clothing. Therefore every woman needs to know the best methods of keeping clothes in good condition.

Discussions and demonstrations will include the daily and seasonal care, such as laundering, cleaning, pressing, mending—including invisible mending—of present day clothing.

Following the conference members will continue this study at their Institute meetings or at special meetings. The Department will provide material and suggested study outlines.

Time required: One whole day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

Wise Buying of Clothing:

Do you always get the best possible value when buying fabrics and readymade clothing? The various fibres, weaves and finishes are so puzzling that it is necessary to increase our knowledge to meet the present problem of selection so that money and materials are not wasted.

Following the conference members will continue this study at their Institute meetings or at special meetings. The Department will provide material and suggested study outlines.

Time required: One whole day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

Food and Nutrition

Conference

Today's Food Problems:

Present day conditions of supply and demand call for careful planning to make the best use of the foods we have, and at the same time ensure good nutrition. Bring your problems and be prepared for discussion of this all-important topic.

Following the conference members will study at their Institute meetings, or at special meetings, topics of local interest chosen at the conference. The Department will provide material and suggested study outlines.

Time required: One whole day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Or one half day, 1.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

Community Meeting

The Family Co-operates for Good Nutrition:

An afternoon or evening meeting open to all the community—men, women and young people—should be planned to awaken wider interest in nutrition. The lecture will be illustrated with slides and time allowed for discussion. Every effort should be made to advertise the meeting well.

Time required: One afternoon or evening.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

Household Management

Household Accounting:

A knowledge of the income allows an intelligent planning of the outgo. This means keeping accounts. Keeping accounts may reveal small expenditures which mount rapidly and often represent little of real value. Plugging these leaks may permit you to buy something really important, something that will mean better living for you and your family.

Simple account forms will be discussed.

Time required: One afternoon.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

Health

Lecture-Demonstration

Health Education:

Good health is fundamental to good work and good citizenship. Today, more than ever, we need to emphasize preventive measures and to raise the standard of community health.

An all-day meeting may be arranged, as outlined on page 4.

Any one of the following topics may be selected:

- Evidence of Healthful Living,
- Accident Prevention and First Aid for Emergencies in the Home,
- Signs and Symptoms of Illness—Practical Home Treatment,
- Bedside Care—Improvised Equipment.

Time required: One whole day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

Citizenship in the Rural Community Today

This subject will deal with the part which women, especially Institute members, can play in the development of rural life.

Time required: One afternoon.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

Administrative Leadership**Rally for Officers and Members**

A district planning to carry on this work may have as many meetings as are required to meet the requests of the Institutes. Both officers and members should attend. See page 4 for details.

When applying for this service, indicate the subjects to be emphasized. Select one of the subjects numbered 1 to 5 inclusive for a full day's discussion, or two of the subjects numbered 6 to 9.

Subjects for Discussion:

1. Programme Planning.
2. How to Conduct Group Discussions.
3. Responsibilities of Standing Committees.
4. Parliamentary Procedure.
5. Duties of Officers.
6. Reports.
7. Financing the District and Local Institutes.
8. Organization from Local Institute to Provincial Federation.
9. Publicity and Press.

Time required: One whole day, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Number of meetings in district: Where possible two or more Institutes should meet together. This should be discussed at the District Annual.

APPLICATIONS FOR SERVICE

All applications for service should be sent by the District Secretary, upon the form provided, to the Women's Institute Branch, Department of Agriculture, Toronto,

NOT LATER THAN JULY 3, 1944.

THE INSTITUTE PROGRAMME**Short Courses**

Short courses are planned to bring the services of the Department to Institutes in their own communities. The Department would particularly urge Institutes which have never had a short course, or those which have not had one for several years, to consider these services.

An Institute may participate in both the district service and a short course.

The Department will provide an instructor and will pay her travelling and living expenses.

The Institute will be responsible for arranging for the meeting place and keeping it properly cleaned, lighted, heated and ventilated. The Institute will also supply large equipment required, e.g. stoves, tables, sewing machines. The secretary will be informed respecting equipment before the course is held.

The Institute will also be responsible for advance local publicity. Extend an invitation to every woman in the community to attend. A good committee is essential for successful organization.

The charge for courses longer than one day shall be twenty-five cents for each person. The fees should be collected by the secretary-treasurer of the committee chosen by members of the class to carry on its business. This fund is used to defray local expenses. The members of each class will decide what is to be done with the balance at the end of the course.

HOW TO SELECT THE INSTITUTE PROGRAMME

1. The Institute officers should study the short courses carefully, pass copies of the co-operative programme to as many members as possible, and present the programme to the Institute at a regular meeting.
2. The Institute should decide on the short course desired, taking into consideration the district programme. An Institute may participate in the district programme besides having a short course.
3. The Institute secretary should apply direct, on the form supplied, to the Women's Institute Branch, Ontario Department of Agriculture, Parliament Buildings, Toronto, NOT LATER THAN JULY 3, 1944.

Clothing and Textiles

All registrants must be prepared to start work on the first day.

Modern Dressmaking:

Now is the time to learn to sew. If you are not in the habit of sewing, you will find it an economy to learn. Besides sewing for yourself, you can help to clothe those less fortunate.

Each class member will be expected to provide and adjust a commercial pattern, cut, assemble, fit and finish a garment.

Time required: Five successive whole days, Monday morning excepted, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendance: A regular attendance of 12 to 18 is required.

Remodelling:

Remodelling garments is an important part of the war against waste. Also, the old garments may have better quality than materials on today's market.

After the renovation of the material the general principles of construction, fitting and finishing will be taught so that class members may learn to use discarded or outmoded garments to the best advantage in making attractive clothes for further wear.

Time required: Five successive whole days, Monday morning excepted, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendance: A regular attendance of 12 to 18 is required.

Food and Nutrition**Making the Most of Food:**

This will deal with three important food groups with special reference to nutritive value, menu-planning and methods of preparation to reduce food losses.

The subjects are:

- Getting the Most from Meat,
- Getting the Most from Vegetables,
- Desserts Within the Sugar Ration.

Time required: Three afternoons, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

Attendance: A regular attendance of at least 20 is required.

Food Conservation:

As conservation is especially essential at this time, knowledge of the causes of food spoilage and methods of prevention is necessary. The course deals with methods of canning fruits and vegetables, making jams and jellies, storage of food at home and in cold storage lockers.

Time required: Three whole afternoons, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

Attendance: A regular attendance of at least 20 is required.

Home Crafts

All registrants must be prepared to start work on the first day.

Emergency Knitting:

This course will consist of a discussion of the basic steps and correct finishes for war knitting. Practical work in knitting heels, toes, thumbs or any finish desired by the group will follow on the second day.

Time required: Two successive whole days, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendance: An attendance of 12 to 18 is required.

Leather Glove Making:

This course will consist of making a pattern, cutting and making a pair of hand-sewn leather gloves.

Time required: Three successive whole days, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendance: An attendance of 8 to 10 is required.

Quilts and Quilting:

The programme will include the history of quilt making, the study of the relationship of the quilt to other furnishings of the bedroom, characteristics of good design and colour schemes. Practical work of cutting, marking and quilting will be taken up the second day. Patterns will be furnished by the instructor from the Department.

Time required: Two successive whole days, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendance: An attendance of 12 to 18 is required.

Braided Rugs:

This course will include the relationship of the rug to the room in which it is to be used, study of design and colour, method of dyeing, choice of material, technique of braiding and sewing.

Each member is expected to make a rug or similar braided article.

Time required: Five successive whole days, Monday morning excepted, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendance: A regular attendance of 12 to 18 is required.

Housing

Making the best use of what you have will be the key to the courses in this group.

The Furnishings of the Living Room:

How much does your living room contribute to a happy, comfortable and interesting background for family life? In considering this, the arrangement of furniture, picture arrangement, curtaining, and colour inspiration will form the basis for discussion.

There will be time for individual problems.

Time required: Two afternoons, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

Attendance: A regular attendance of 12 to 18 is required.

The Time-Saving Kitchen:

Could your kitchen work be done in less time with less energy? This course will afford an opportunity for a discussion of this question with practical suggestions. Care of equipment will be considered.

There will be time for individual problems.

Time required: Three afternoons, 1.30 to 4 p.m.

Attendance: A regular attendance of 12 to 18 is required.

Health Education

This course will emphasize positive health, prevention and care of communicable disease, daily care of the sick, accident prevention and first-aid, care of the mother and infant.

Equipment: A single bed with springs, mattress and bedding.

Time required: Five successive days, Monday morning excepted, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Attendance: A regular attendance of 20 is required.

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Menu

TOMATO JUICE

CHEF'S SALAD, DRESSING HOT BUTTERED ROLLS

BAKED HALF CHICKEN, CRANBERRY SAUCE

BAKED POTATOES, SOUR CREAM

FRENCH CUT GREEN BEANS WITH MUSHROOMS

LEMON MERINGUE PIE

COFFEE

Program

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE GRACE

HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE QUEEN

INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE GUESTS

**TOAST TO THE FEDERATED WOMEN'S INSTITUTES
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Dr. Ethel Chapman

**REPLY: Mrs. Everett Small,
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**Honourable Wm. A. Stewart
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SPEAKER

**Mrs. George Clarke
President, Federated Women's Institutes of Canada**

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