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EDEN

ELGIN EAST INSTITUTE WOMEN'S

Programs

1963 1964

INSTITUTE ODE

A goodly thing it is to meet In friendship's circle bright Where nothing stains the pleasure sweet Nor dims the radiant light No unkind word our lips shall pass No envy sour the mind But each shall seek the common weal The good of all mankind.

INSTITUTE GRACE

We thank Thee, Father, for Thy care Food, friends and kindliness we share May we forever mindful be Of Home and Country and of Thee.

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 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 straightforward 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.

July 3

Convener - Mrs. B. Caswell. Motto - Friendship is the only cement that will hold the world together. Report of Officers' Conference at O.A.C. - Miss C. McDowell. Hostess - Mrs. B. Caswell. Lunch - Mrs. H. Anderson & Mrs. V. Baldwin.

Oct. 2

Convener - Miss M. Craven. Motto - Change - Is it always progress Convener - Mrs. P. Fish. Debate Roll Call - Each give example for affirmative or negative side of debate to-day. OR pay a fine. Hostess - Mrs. F. Langohr. Lunch - Mrs. M. Baldwin & Mrs. W. Baldwin.

Nov. 6

Convener - Mrs. W. Baldwin. Roll Call - A helpful hint regarding care of hair. Motto - A woman's hair - her crown of glory? Speaker - A beautician. Report of Area Convention. Hostess - Mrs. W. Baldwin. Lunch - Mrs. S. Backus & Mrs. H. Beaman.

Dec. 4

Conveners - Mrs. L. Cowan, Mrs. G. Moore, Mrs. M. Ball, & Mrs. M. Ince. Exchange of gifts. Christmas meeting.

Hostess - Mrs. J.C. Inman. Lunch - Mrs. B. Caswell, Miss M. Chandler, Miss M. Craven & Mrs. C. Davis.

Jan. 8

Convener - Mrs. B. Caswell. Roll Call - Highlights of the History of your Family. Motto - Let nothing valuable be lost or forgotten. Topic - Old-fashioned Flower Gardens vs. Modern. Hostess - Mrs. R. Roloson. Lunch - Mrs. M. Ball & Mrs. T. Craven.

Feb. 5

Convener - Mrs. C. Davis. Roll Call - A change I would like to see in the school curriculum. Motto - Education means developing the mind, not stuffing the memory. Subject - Education To-day. Hostess - Mrs. C. Cowan. Lunch - Mrs. P. Fish & Mrs. R. Kernaghan.

Mar. 4

Trip to O. A. C. College Royal. Roll Call - What I have enjoyed most

Apr. 1 Convener - Mrs. W. Baldwin. Motto - Variety is the spice of life. Speaker - Home Economist - Miss Marie Hodgson. Hostess - Mrs. A. Langohr. Lunch - Mrs. L. Garnham & Mrs. R. Hall

May 6

Convener - Mrs. C. Davis. Roll Call - Name a way to help our teenagers become good adult citizens. Motto - The children of to-day are the citizens of to-morrow. Topic - Our teenage citizens. Hostess - Mrs. F. Wencel. Lunch - Mrs. C.D. Kennedy & Mrs. J.C. Inman.

June 3

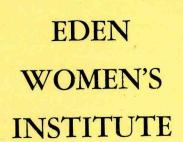
Convener -Roll Call -

Motto -

Hostess -Lunch - Mrs. M. Luce & Mrs. G. Moore.

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PROGRAMS

1957 - 1958

Eden East Elgin Women's Institute

PROGRAMS 1959 - 1960

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Eden East Elgin Women's Institute

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EDEN BRANCH EAST ELGIN DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



PROGRAMME - 1966-1967

Bring me Women to match my Mountains Bring me Women to match my Plains Women with Empires in their purpose And New Eras in their Brains.

All women in the community are invited to attend our meetings—held the First Wednesday in every month, at 8 p.m.

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The Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead



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PROGRAM

1963 - 1964

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Mrs Blake Caswell

EDEN EAST ELGIN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

PROGRAMS 1961 - 1962

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BAYHAM BRANCH EAST ELGIN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



PROGRAMME - 1957 - 58

God bless you, all this coming year, With blessings rich and free;
May joys increase and perfect peace
The sign of His love to be.

All women in the community are invited to attend our meetings — held the second Tuesday in every month at 2:00 p.m.

Institute Ode

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The Kingsmill-Mapleton Women's Institute

invite you to the

Fiftieth Anniversary

of their Branch on

Wednesday, November 21st, 1956

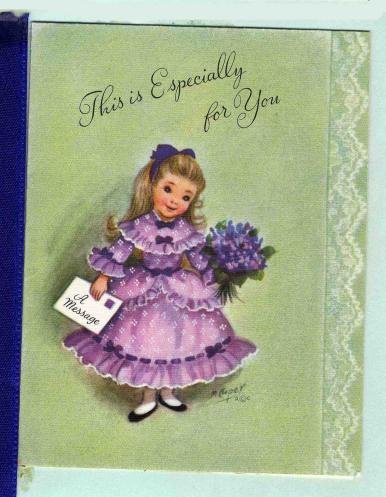
at the Disciple Church, Mapleton

Programme at 2.30 p.m.

Mrs. Marjorie Carter, Secretary, R.R. 1, Kingsmill, Ont.



CLOTHING LEADER 1965-66



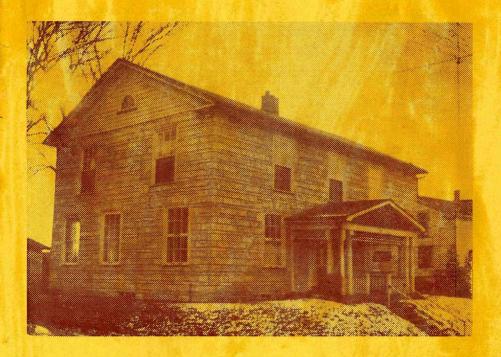
DEAR MEMBERS;

How NICE it is to hear from our good old W.I.'s and with maybe just a dash of sickness thrown in.

The Christmas Poinsettia on our table is still reminding me every day of all of you. And in case you dont know, that is much pleasanter to take and has the same effect as a Shot in the Arm.

EVA INMAN

The Flgin County Pioneer Museum



A Memorial to the Past and Its Traditions

This Museum was sponsored by the Women's Institutes of Elgin County, assisted by other interested people.

On its completion, ownership was assumed by the Elgin County Council.

The Museum was formally opened April 5th, 1957.

Visiting hours: Week Days—2-5 and 7-9 p.m.; Sunday—2-5 p.m.

Tea served in the afternoon upon request.

Admission: Adults 25c, Students 15c. Children accompanied by parents, free.

Telephone 6148.

It is into an early Canadian home and doctor's office that the visitor walks when he enters the Elgin County Pioneer Museum, for it has been established in the home of a pioneer doctor of this district.

To the right of the entrance is a large living room which depicts the gracious way of life of over a century ago, and beyond it is a kitchen which goes back to pioneer days, with its open hearth, cooking utensils for the fireplace, commodious cupboards and the gun upon the wall to provide food and repel marauding animals. The dining room, too, has treasures of early furniture, china and glass.

Upstairs, a bedroom with four-poster rope bed, trundle bed, cradles and other early furnishings continues to depict the home of many years ago, while other rooms contain a wealth of miscellaneous articles dating back to the days of the Indian residents of this community. Throughout the house, interesting furniture (some made by a gifted local cabinet maker), pioneer utensils, manuscripts, paintings, papers, all help to revive a picture of home life of early days.

But this museum does more. It is situated on a lot which was the site of the home and office of Dr. Charles Duncombe, who, with Dr. John Rolph, founded in St. Thomas in 1824 one of the first medical schools in Canada. It was Dr. Rolph who later went to Toronto and established the nucleus of the medical school of the University of Toronto.

This present house is believed to have been built in 1848-49 for Dr. Duncombe's youngest brother, Dr. Elijah E. Duncombe, who came to join him in St. Thomas some time about 1822. Dr. Charles left St. Thomas about 1828, but Dr. Elijah Duncombe continued to practise here until a few years before his death in 1870. Over a century ago, living in this house with his wife and four daughters, he presided over an apothecary shop and consulting room which together occupied the east side of the building. The medical room to the left of the entrance is a unique feature of this museum, commemorating this special aspect of the history of this lot and house. It displays many interesting articles of early medical practice in the county.

Overlooking the broad valley of Kettle Creek, the pioneer museum is situated at the top of a hill at the foot of which began the little settlement from which the city of St. Thomas later developed. It is on historic Talbot Road, named for Col. the Hon. Thomas Talbot, the Irish founder of the vast Talbot settlement who returned to Upper Canada in 1803 to establish residence beside the lake a few miles west of here and who later used to call St. Thomas the capital of his settlement. Museum treasures include an oven from Col. Talbot's home at Port Talbot, a cradle used by the family of his nephew, Lord Airey, there, and the original surveying chain used by Col. Mahlon Burwell for much of the early settlement.

The spacious, tree-shaded grounds on which the museum stands have a history that goes back even before Dr. Charles Duncombe's early residence here, for they are part of the 200-acre property for which the original crown patent was received by one of the first settlers of what is now St. Thomas, Daniel Rapelje. Part of his property, looking towards the south and west over the valley, was given by Mr. Rapelje to the Church of England, and the pioneer church of the community, erected there in 1824, may be visited just a short distance south-east of the museum.

Thus happily situated in a pioneer home in the heart of the Talbot Settlement and so closely linked with its early history, the Elgin County Pioneer Museum seeks to preserve the interesting and worthy story of life in this community and the traditions of its pioneers.

