

**May 23, 2007**

**Cultural Activities**

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Place:** Pat Palmer's Home

**Motto:** Imagination and Determination make Reality

**Roll Call:** An eye opener that you've discovered While traveling.

**Program:** Jean Palmer - The Bernardo Boys

**Convenor:** Pat Palmer

**Committee:** Jean Palmer, Connie Silcox



**Perennial Sale - May 26, 2007**

**Rosy Rhubarb Days - June 8, 9, 10, 2007**

**Shedden Fair - August**

**September 26, 2007 - Education**

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Place:** Bethany United Church

**Motto:** Education means developing The mind, not stuffing the Memory.

**Roll Call:** If you were going to Teach English, where would you Go and why?.

**Program:** Jane Carder "The Wonder of the Orient"

**Convenor:** Cheryl Garvin

**Committee:** Kay Chamberlain  
Pauline Silcox



**October 24, 2007 - Safe & Healthy Community**

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Place:** Bethany United Church

**Motto:** If you haven't got the time to do it right, When will you have the time to do it over?

**Roll Call:** What changes have you seen in Shedden During your time here?

**Program:** Pictures & Interesting Facts - Lorne Spicer

**Convenor:** Kay Chamberlain,  
**Committee:** Beth Vicary  
Carol Gordon



*November 28, 2007*

*International Affairs*

*Time: 7:30 p.m.*

*Place: Bethany United Church*

*Motto: Memory is the diary that  
We all carry about with us.*

*Roll Call: One memorable moment of a trip you  
have taken.*

*Program: Speaker - Olive Rycroft - A trip  
around the world.*

*Convenor: Jean Palmer*

*Committee: Doris Molnar, Carol Gordon*

*December 19, 2007 - Christmas Meeting*

*Time: 7:30 p.m.*

*Place: Sharon Leeming's Home*

*Motto: Think outside the box*

*Roll Call: Tell what is at the top of your  
Christmas Wish List.*

*Program: TBA*

*Convenor: Sharon Leeming*

*Committee: Connie Silcox  
Cheryl Garvin*



*January 23, 2008*

*A Noteworthy Canadian*

*Time: 7:30 p.m.*

*Place: Bethany United Church*

*Motto: Walk through life with a spring in your step  
and a song in your heart.*

*Roll Call: Name one of your favourite songs.*

*Program: Life and times of a Canadian Singer*

*Convenor: Connie Silcox*

*Committee: Brenda Silcox, Dora McArthur*

*February 27, 2008*

*Family, Community & Consumer Affairs*

*Time: 7:30 p.m.*

*Place: Bethany United Church*

*Motto: Ontario Police College Motto -*

*"Training Today for a Better Tomorrow"*

*Roll Call: Why do we need law  
enforcement.*

*Program: Josh & Monique Silcox*

*London Police Officers*

*Convenor: Brenda Silcox*

*Committee: Doris Molnar,*

*Pat Palmer*





**March 26, 2008**

**Agriculture**

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Place:** Bethany United Church

**Motto:** Planet Earth is our  
Island, given to us to enjoy,  
Not misuse or destroy.

**Roll Call:**

Name a recipe that contains Maple  
Syrup.

**Program:** Speaker - Palmers Maple Syrup

**Convenor:** Pauline Silcox

**Committee:** Sharon Leeming, Jean Palmer

**April 23, 2008**

**Annual Meeting & Tweedsmuir History**

**Time:** 7:30 p.m.

**Place:** Bethany United Church

**Roll Call:** Bring a brown bag gift for a W.I.  
friend for a good year.

**Motto:** Ultimately the only judge and  
jury of your work should be your heart.

**Program:** Dora McArthur and the  
Tweedsmuir History Books

**Annual Reports - Collection of Dues**

**Convenor - The Executive**



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Kay Chamberlain



**May 28, 2008**

**INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Pat Palmer's

*Motto:* Tho we travel the world over to find the beautiful, we must carry it with us or we find it not.

*Roll Call:* Your favourite subject in school and why.

*Program:* Lillian Carder: Teaching in the far north.

*Convenor:* Pauline Silcox

*Committee:* Pat Palmer, Doris Molnar



***Perennial Sale - May 17, 2008***

***Rosy Rhubarb Days - June 7,8,9, 2008***

***Shedden Fair - August***

**September 24, 2008**

**AGRICULTURE**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Motto:*-to lift the spirit, cheer the heart and make all sweet.

*Roll Call:* Complete this sentence: Lavender is.....

*Program:* Lavender Blue

*Convenor:* Connie Silcox

*Committee:* Dora McArthur, Pauline Silcox

**October 22, 2008**

**A NOTEWORTHY CANADIAN**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Pat Palmer's

*Motto:* When we need one most,  
God sends us a friend.

*Roll Call:* What additional challenges, if any, do parents of internationally adopted children have compared to Canadian adopted or biological children.

*Program:* Pat Orell - "Chinese Adoptions"

*Convenor:* Pat Palmer

*Committee:* Doris Molnar, Jean Palmer



**November 26, 2008**

**CULTURE**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Doris Molnar's Home

*Motto:* Don't judge a person by their accent.

*Roll Call:* What do you associate with Hungary.

*Program:* To Be Announced

*Convenor:* Doris Molnar

*Committee:* Pat Palmer, Beth Vicary



**December 17, 2008**

**FAMILY, COMMUNITY & CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Motto:* See the Potential

*Roll Call:* What do you know about Autism?

*Program:* Living with Autism - Marti Loussire,

Autism Society of Ontario

*Convenor:* Cheryl Garvin

*Committee:* Carol Gordon, Ethel Clare

**January 28, 2009**

**CHRISTMAS MEETING**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Sharon Welch-Leeming's home

*Motto:* Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful - Norman Vincent Peale

*Roll Call:* Tell what your hobby is and why it makes you happy.

*Program:* Christmas in January

*Convenor:* Sharon Welch-Leeming

*Committee:* Kay Chamberlain,  
Connie Silcox



**February 25, 2009**

**EDUCATION**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Motto:* We must always have old memories and young hopes

*Roll Call:* Your favourite subject or sport in high school

*Program:* Christopher Palmer  
"High School in 2009"



*Convenor:* Brenda Silcox

*Committee:* Cheryl Garvin, Jean Palmer

**March 25, 2009**

**SAFE & HEALTHY COMMUNITY**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Motto:* The older you are the behinder you get.

*Roll Call:* What do you think is lacking in our community to make it safer and healthier.

*Program:* Speaker - Connie Molnar

*Convenor:* Jean Palmer

*Committee:* Brenda Silcox, Connie Molnar

**April 22, 2009**

**ANNUAL MEETING & TWEEDSMUIR HISTORY**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Roll Call:* Bring a brown bag gift for a W.I. friend for a good year. - Collection of Dues

*Motto:* Every private citizen has a public responsibility.

*Annual Reports*

*Program:* Dora McArthur and the  
Tweedsmuir History Books

*Convenor:* The Executive

**May 27, 2009**

**CULTURAL ACTIVITIES**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Brenda Silcox's Home

*Motto:* Those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.

*Roll Call:* Tell something you know about Korea.

*Program:* Stephanie Garvin

*Convenor:* Brenda Silcox

*Committee:* Connie Molnar, Sharon Welch-Leeming



***Perennial Sale - May 23, 2009***

***Rosy Rhubarb Days - June 12, 13, 14, 2009***

***Shedden Fair - August***

**September 23, 2009**

**FAMILY & CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Motto:* When saving for old age be sure to put away some pleasant memories

*Roll Call:* A public school you attended and teacher (bring a photo if possible)

*Program:* The little brick schoolhouse

*Convenor:* Jean Palmer

*Committee:* Carol Gordon, Doris Molnar



**October 28, 2009**

**AGRICULTURE**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Motto:* Adventures don't begin until you get in the forest. That first step is an act of faith.

*Roll Call:* Name something honey is used for.

*Program:* Chris/Rebekah Crocker,  
Bee Keepers

*Convenor:* Cheryl Garvin

*Committee:* Kay Chamberlain, Pat Palmer





**January 27, 2010**

**NOTEWORTHY CANADIAN**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Motto:* Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body. *Joseph Addison*

*Roll Call:* Name a book by a Canadian author you have recently read.

*Program:* Mary Clutterbuck - L.M. Montgomery

*Convenor:* Carol Gordon

*Committee:* Connie Silcox, Dora McArthur



**February 24, 2010**

**EDUCATION**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Doris Molnars Home

*Motto:* Have nothing in your houses that you do not know to be useful, or believe to be beautiful.

*William Morris*

*Roll Call:* Bring your favourite rolling pin.

*Program:* Noodles, Noodles, Noodles

*Convenor:* Doris Molnar

*Committee:* Pauline Silcox, Brenda Silcox



**March 24, 2010**

**CHRISTMAS MEETING**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Sharon Welch-Leeming's

*Motto:* I have always been delighted at the prospect of a new day, a fresh try, one more start, with perhaps a bit of magic waiting somewhere behind the morning.

*Roll Call:* Bring a picture of your favourite shoes

*Program:* Speaker - Kerry Ionata-Kusmierz

*Convenor:* Sharon Welch-Leeming

*Committee:* Ethel Minor-Claire, Connie Silcox



**April 28, 2010**

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*Annual Reports*

*Program:* Dora McArthur and the

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*Convenor* - The Executive



**November 25, 2009**

**INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Pat Palmer's

*Roll Call:* What does Remembrance Day mean to you

*Motto:* Wear "red" on Friday to show support for our troops

*Speaker:* Sarah Littlejohn

*Convenor:* Pat Palmer

*Committee:* Jean Palmer, Beth Vicary



RED FRIDAYS

**December 16, 2009**

**SAFE & HEALTHY COMMUNITIES**

*Time:* 7:30 p.m.

*Place:* Bethany United Church

*Motto:* Life is a service, not what we can get out of it, but what we can add.

*Roll Call:* Name a fire hazard.

*Program:* Bill Hunter,

Fire Safety



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Shedden Fair  
Aug 23, 1986



Dear Mary  
Dore M. Yungster  
Shedden Fair  
August 23, 1986







Shedden Fair Aug. 23  
1986









**BIOGRAPHY  
OF  
SARA ELLEN (SHERIN) ATKINSON  
MRS. MILEN ATKINSON**

Mrs. Milen (Sara) Atkinson was born in Putnam, Ont. in 1891, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sherin. She had two brothers William and Frederick, and three sisters Stella, Celia and Ethel. They came to live on what is now McDiarmid Line on a farm on which the buildings no longer exist.

She married Milen Atkinson and they had three children Wilfred, Irene and Herbert. The family lived in the house immediatley east of the Baptist Church in Shedden. Wilfred married Dora Holland from Wallacetown and they had 7 children. They lived in Duart, Ont. Irene work for a number of years at Palmer's Store. She married Hugh Telford from Southwold Station, a school teacher, and lived at Tilbury and West Lorne. When in West Lorne, Irene worked at the Post Office and later became Post Mistress. She and Hugh now live in St. Thomas. Herbie lived at home with his parents and was a casual laboror. He died in 1965.

My first acquaintance with Mrs. Atkinson was in 1950 when I began working the the Old Bank of Commerce on the corner of Union Rd. and # 3 Highway, which no longer exists. Across the corner where the Medical Building is now located, was a Service Station and Greyhound Bus Depot operated by Everett Youngblutt, a restaurant operated by Mrs. Atkinson and a welding shop operated by Wynn Lampman. Because it was unthinkable to drive home for lunch (4 miles), Margery Morrow, my Co-worker and I had lunch at the restaurant. Mrs. Atkinson was outstanding as a cook and especially as a pie-maker. Her pie crust were as thin as tissue paper and extremely delicious. She knew we were coming every day when the bank closed from 12 - 1. Our sandwich would be ready for us and as soon as a choice of pie was made, it would appear before us. I think, sandwich, pie and beverage cost .35 cents but no more than .50 cents as I remember.

Several of the local men came at noon for a full course meal. The men would include the station agent, Herbie, Everett, local bachelors, business men passing through etc.

When they were looked after, she always made time for a visit with Margery and I.

We would also be in for supper the nights we worked on Month-end or Interest figuring times - April and November. I would marvel at men stopping in for supper and perhaps ordering pork chops. We would see her go across the highway to Palmers Store and come back with the meat and cook it for the order.

Mrs. Atkinson was a true lady, with a pleasant, quiet nature. She was not a Charter member of the Shedden W.I., and I have not seen her name on a slate of officers, but she did her part as hostess, director and a participant in programs.

She was ill for some time and passed away on Thursday, July 11, 1968. She, Milen (1883 - 1961) and Herbie (1914 - 1965) are buried in Shedden Cemetery.





## BIOGRAPY OF

### Margaret Campbell

Margaret Elizabeth Campbell is the daughter of the late Edna and Duncan Campbell. Margaret was named after both of her grandmothers. She has two brothers, Lloyd and Harold. Margaret was born on the family farm, which is located on highway #3 just west of Shedden.

She went to Backstreet #10 Public School in Shedden, and the continuing Education school in Fingal. She then completed high school at Arthur Voaden in St Thomas. After graduating, Margaret continued her education by taking Nursing at the Chatham General Hospital. She graduated in 1942. Margaret stayed on at the hospital, where she worked in many different areas, including the operating room.

While Margaret was living at home she often attended WI meetings with her mother and aunt, Flossie Campbell, at Iona Station. Margaret's parents left the farm in 1957, and moved to her present address. Jean Palmer and Madeline parks invited her to come to one of the Shedden WI meetings and she has been a member ever since.

Some of Margaret's hobbies include sewing, "fancy needle work", gardening, cooking, and baking.

Written by

BIOGRAPHY  
OF  
KATHLEEN BERNICE (FIRBY) CHAMBERLAIN

Kay was born Feb. 11, 1933 to Kenneth Ford and Grace Marshall Firby at Lot 13, Concession 5, Southwold Twp. Elgin, County.

Her siblings are Reginald, Donald, Pauline Paterson and Ruby Silcox.

She attended public school at S. S. # 17, Southwold, St. Thomas Collegiate Institute and London Normal School. She taught school at S.S. # 3, Southwold and Southwold Central Grades 3 & 4. After marriage she taught music in schools in Southwold, Ekfrid and Delaware Twps.

On July 22, 1953 she married Carl Edward Chamberlain, son of Roy and Lena (Mifflin) Chamberlain, and they resided in Dunwich Twp. where Carl was employed by Hugh Carroll. They are the parents of Debbie Logghe, Pat Stannard, Karen Olmstead, David and Paul. They have 12 grandchildren.

In 1965 they moved to Shedden to 156 Horton St., then to 127 Union Rd, and in 1981 to their present home at 209 Talbot Rd.

Kay is very active in UCW, holding offices both at Bethany United Church, Shedden and at the Presbyterial Level. She was President of Elgin Presbyterial for 3 years, and during the last year acquainted Presbyterial to the idea of the Christmas Shoppe similar to the one operated in Woodstock. The Christmas Shoppe has flourished for 10 years. She has served on the Pearce-Williams C.C. Board since 1989.

She taught piano privately at home before she began "Music for Young Children" that continued for 10 years. She retired in June 1999.

She has been church Organist at Fingal United Church for 28 years, and at Bethany United Church, Shedden since 1978. She volunteers at Elgin Manor and Victoria Manor in Dutton every week to play the piano for



entertainment. She and Carl deliver Meals on Wheels in St.Thomas every Tuesday A.M.

She joined Shedden W.I. about 5 years ago and attends the meetings when her other duties allow.

Interviewed by Dora McArthur  
January 17, 2001.