

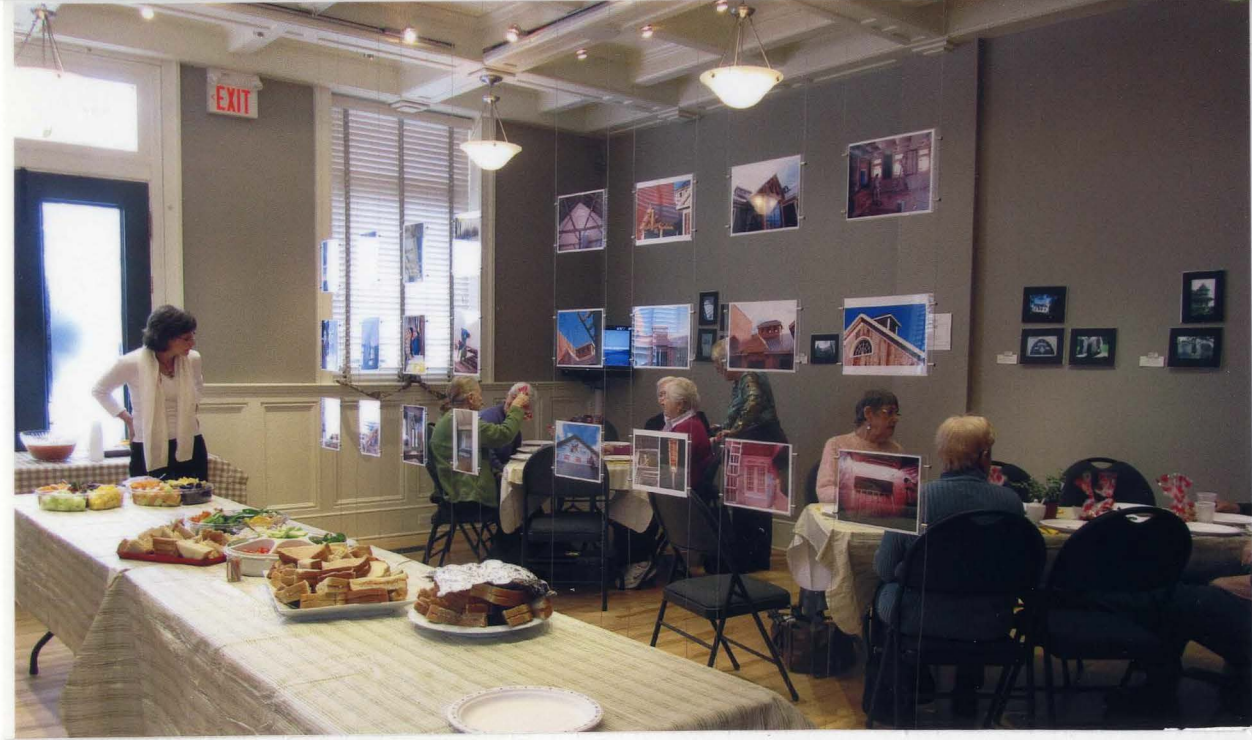


PHOTOS

JANUARY 24, 2011 2:00
 Hostess: Katherine Johnston
 Program: Visit the Arts & Cookery Bank
 Roll Call: Name your favourite food.
 Reading: Louise Long
 Lunch: Kathy to arrange

**ARTS & COOKERY
 THE BANK**
 A snapshot of rural culture... stirred.

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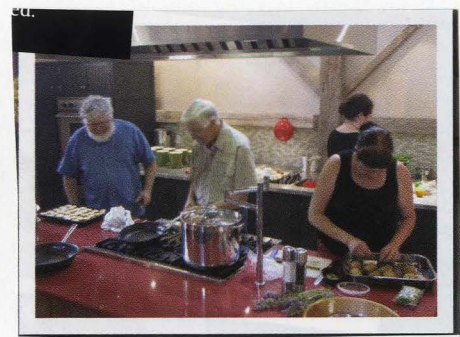
A Bank, A Barn, A Story
 Two buildings—a 1914 Bank of Montreal and an 1883 timber frame barn—bridged by a brand new structure, offer an intriguing marriage of bricks and barn board. This stunning venue is the home of The Arts & Cookery Bank, the hub of an emerging cultural tourist region in rural southwestern Ontario.

Joyce Wright, Alma Johnston, June Purcel Florence Mc Intyre

Twilla McWilliams, Helen McWilliams, Shirley Walker

Ignite a Passion for Cooking

The Cookery: a heritage barn transformed into a chef's dream kitchen. Hand-hewn barn timbers frame stainless steel and marble-top cabinets. Hand-poured concrete floors lend a rustic feel. This is the perfect space to "cook on all burners." Be delighted by a hands-on cookery experience.





Helen Mc Williams & Lois Woolner



Grace & Russel Campbell



Janet Quinton ,Lois Woolner Bonita Berge, Twilla McWilliams & June Purcell



Betty Johnston, Cathy Johnston, Alma Johnston, Joyce Wright & Marie Spence



HelenMcWilliams & Shirley Walker



Brenda Silcox, Cathy Johnston

L-W--Betty Johnston, Bonita Berge, Cathy Johnston, Olive Chambers,
Marie Spence, Mary Lippold, Helen Okolisan, Leola Lawrence



Lois Woolner

Margie Long, Louise Long & Lisa Wolf

Rural Heritage: Restored

Emerge through the original triple-bricked vault into The Bank's Heritage Hall. With its 11-foot hand-crafted, classic coffered ceiling and stunning new maple floors, the atmosphere is elegant, warm and comfortable. Surrounded by "storyful" images,



L-W--Dorothy Japiec, Jill Soos,
Janet Quinton, Barb Popham,
Betty Mc Vannell, Donna Driverr

Take a Journey in Time

Hundreds of photos and images, creatively displayed on multi-touch media screens, are a visual feast and offer a unique historical record of our region. Audio stories from our storykeepers—old timers and new arrivals—invite you to meander through more than two centuries of settlement. You'll be inspired to tell your own story.





Janet Quinton & Joyce Wright

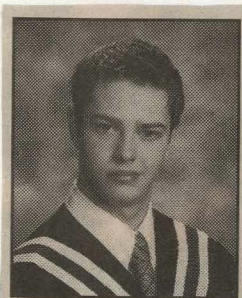
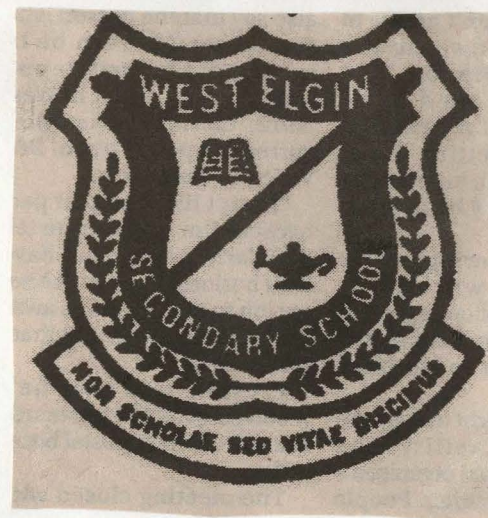


Beattie Tea Room Volunteers-Feb/11

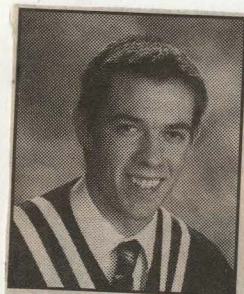


Blake, Joyce, Brent Wright

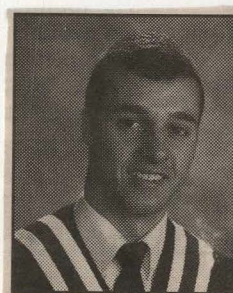
2010 ONTARIO SCHOLARS



Darren Downie
Rodney
Parents: Paul & Dianne
Attending: Brock
University
Program: BEd Concurrent



Andrew Ford
Rodney
Parents: Tom & Lynda
Attending: University of
Guelph
Program: Mechanical
Engineering



Mike Johnston
Wardsville
Parents: John & Christine
Attending: University of
Western Ontario
Program: Social Science-
Geography



Richi Sharma
Rodney
Parents: Anji & Shelly
Attending: University of
Western Ontario
Program: BA Kinesiology



Florence Mc Intyre, Joyce Wright, Helen Mc Williams, Lois Woolner, Louise Long



Ann Neville, June Purcell, Janet Quinton

Obituaries

PRICE

Peacefully with her family by her side, at Chatham-Kent Health Alliance, on Monday, February 21, 2011, Doris Ileen Price (nee Marcus) of Clachan in her 88th year. Born in Zone Township, daughter of Andrew Marcus and Maude Goodyear, she was predeceased by her

husband Earle (1992); brothers Louis and Harold Marcus; sisters Alta Marcus and Jean Ashton. Dearly loved by her son Jim Price (Susan Peacock) of Rodney; granddaughters Kelly (Doug) Lawley of Kitchener and Krista (Dean) McLenaghan of London; great grandchildren Meghan, Emma, and Jayme Lawley; Morgan, Abbey, Daniel & Drew McLenaghan. Also survived by sisters Betty (Ross) Beamish and Eva Rankin, sisters-in-law Vera and Jean Marcus, good friend Roy Best and many nieces and nephews. Friends called at the RODNEY CHAPEL of DENNING FUNERAL DIRECTORS LTD. on Thursday, 2-4 and 7-9 pm where service was held on Friday at 11 am the Rev. Annalee Kerr officiating. Interment McLean Cemetery. If desired, donations to the Clachan Community Hall would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Denning Funeral Directors (519 785-0810). Online condolences may be made at www.denningfuneralhome.com

Clachan W. I. Saturday afternoon winter tea time at the home of Lois Woolner.

FEBRUARY 28, 2011
2:00 @ CLACHAN HALL
 Hostess: June Purcell

www.thechronicle-online.com

Thursday, April 7, 2011



Tanner (grandson of Helen Mc Williams)

Jesse Cnockaert The Chronicle

Students of Aldborough Public School recently completed science projects, which are on display in the school's main hallway. The students of Mrs. Pearson's Gr. 5/6 class studied how humans adapt to life in space, and technology related to space, and Mrs. Kirschner's Gr. 5 class studied energy resources and the building of energy-efficient homes. Shown here are just a few students and their projects (L-R): Tanner Page, Gr. 6, and his satellite model, Dominik Siertsema, Gr. 6, and his Hubble Space Telescope, Mackenzie Fink and Jada Casey, Gr.5 and their model of an energy-efficient house, and Chris Duarte, Gr. 6, and his model of the International Space Station. Duarte also made a model of a colony on the surface of Mars.

MARCH 28, 2011
2:00 @ CLACHAN HALL

Hostess: Alma Johnston
Roll Call: Read a Limeric - Wear Green or
Suffer a Penalty!
Program: Alma Johnston
Lunch: Florence McIntyre, June Purcell
Louise Long



Karen Laughton & Mary Ann Kettlewell

Guest Karen spoke about her kidney transplant
Her brother donated his kidney to her.



Helen Mc W. & Lois W.



Janet Q. & Lisa W.



Joyce W. & Dorothy L.



Louise L.



Betty J.



June P.



Florence McI.



Theresa St.P



Alma J.



Marie S. Cathy J. Norma M.



Jill Soos



Dorothy Long

APRIL 25, 2011 12:30

Hostess: Janet Quinton
Program: Dinner Out -
Tasty Sweets Café-West Lorne
Reading: Janet Quinton
Roll Call: Pay Dues
Tweedsmuir Books on View
Annual Meeting to Follow



Lois Woolner, Louise Long, Alma Johnston, Bev Welch, Jill Soos,

Marie Spence, Betty Johnston



Florence McIntyre, Dorothy Long, Janet Quinton, Cathy Johnston

Helen McWilliams, Joyce Wright, June Purcell

APRIL . . .
Dessert Tea & Card Party



Elaine Hillman, Judy Macuda, Judy Mc Intyre Lovas, Louise Verhoeven



Shirley Teetzel, Joyce Woods, Bev Welch, Anne Cornwall



Marie Spence, Patsy Tobias, Linda Glassford, Alice Manning



Jackie Leitch, Joan Keys, Helen Mcwilliams, Shirley Walker

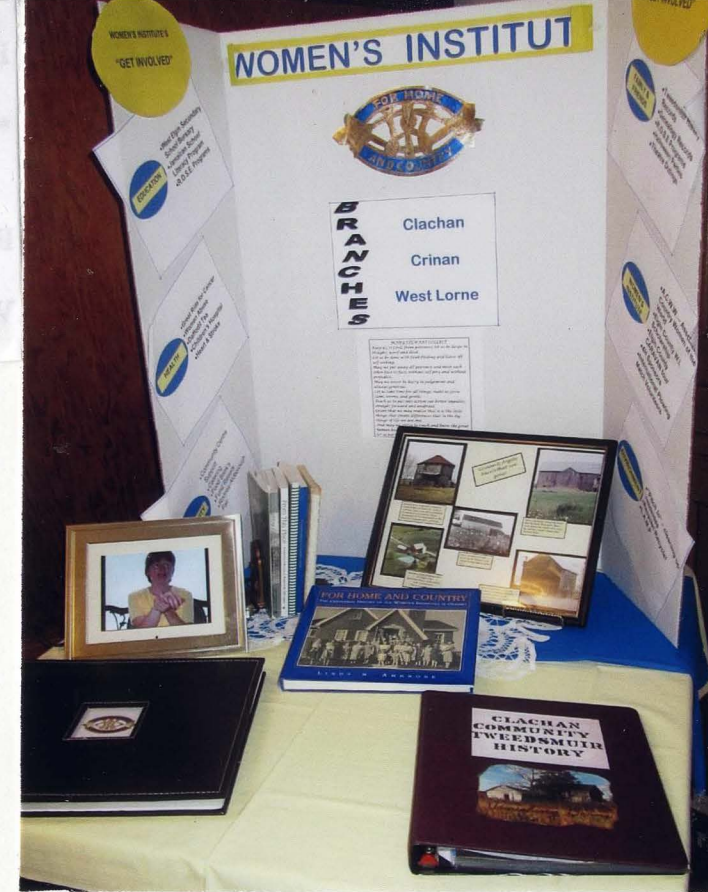
ELGIN COUNTY DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

14th District Annual Meeting
Wednesday, May 18, 2010 @ 5:30 PM
Argyle Presbyterian Church, Crinan
14444 Graham Road, ON

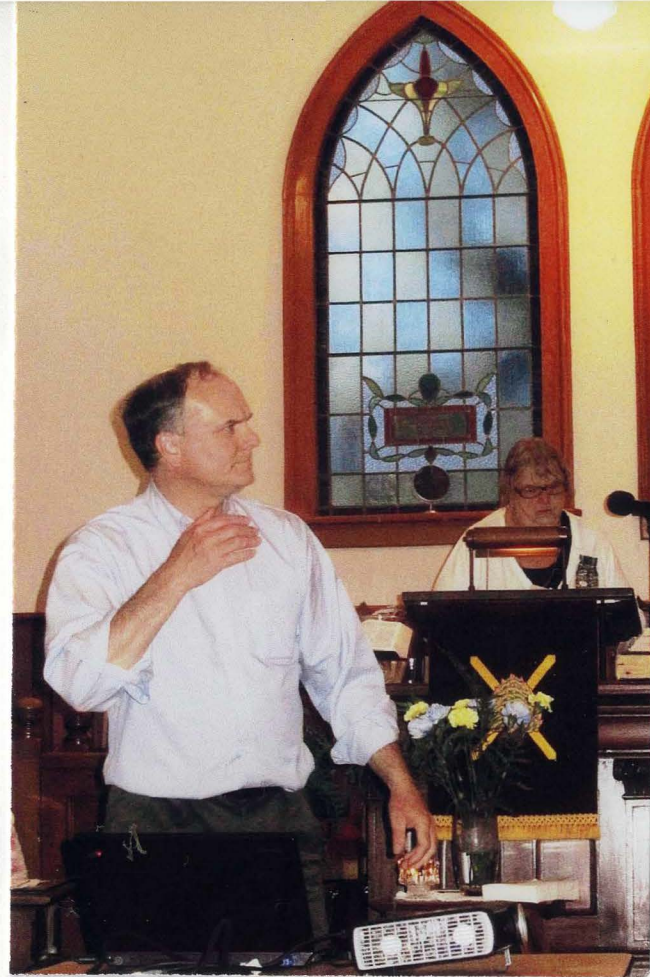


Barn Quilts

A project of the Elgin-Oxford-Norfolk Curators



Clachan W.I. display



Speaker-Mr. Baker

Elgin County Museum



Installations of Officers



Rie Van Steeg

Margaret Carroll



Gwen Mc Lain

Elgin County libraries celebrate 75 years

Jesse Cnockaert The Chronicle

A community hub

Shelly Fleming is the branch supervisor of the West Lorne and Rodney Libraries. The two libraries, along with the John Kenneth Galbraith Reference Library in Dutton, are apart of ten libraries across the province that make up the Elgin County Library, which celebrates its 75th anniversary April 28.



MAY 16, 2011-7:30
Place- Home of Janet Quinton
Program- Planning Meeting
Roll Call- Favourite Program
Reading- Lois Woolner
Lunch-Lois Woolner, Janet Quinton

JUNE 27, 2011- 7:30
Place- Home of Marie Spence
Program-Marie Spence
Roll Call-When is the last time you
flew in a airplane.
Lunch- Louise Long, Bev Welch,
Marie Spence



Pete Spence





f.row:Mr.& Mrs. Nethercott, Kathy Johston, b.row:Bob& Marie Spence& granddaughter,Bev. Welch,Lois Woolner, ?

GREAT LAKES INTERNATIONAL AIR SHOW

London Free Press June 25, 2011.



**'On a win
and a praye**
Apprehension turns to admirat
on old warbird. PAGE

CRAIG GLOVER The London

Pilot Pete Spence looks out the window as he flies his Second World War-era plane over St. Thomas Friday at the Great Lakes International Air Show. He was accompanied Press journalist. The show at the St. Thomas Municipal Airport features aircraft spanning nearly 90 years and runs until Sunday.

■ **BYGONE DAYS:** Aldborough Public School dancers placed third in 1968

These young square dancers from Aldborough Public School proved practice makes perfect, or nearly perfect. At competition at the Western Ontario Farmers' Show in London in February, 1968, the group placed third among 16 other groups from public schools in western Ontario. The group's caller, Bill Smith, placed first. Members of the dancing team include,



TIMES-JOURNAL COLLECTION Courtesy of the Elgin County Archives

front row: Paul Lovelock, left, instructor for the group; Mary Arvai, Peggy Percell, Audrey Cross, Mary Perovich, Laura Hay and Bill Smith, the group's caller. Back row: Jim McPherson, Paul Gilbert, Gary Wojick and Tom Murray. Anyone with information on this photograph or to request a reprint, please call 519-631-1460 ext. 154. To view or comment on this photograph, visit the Archives' flickr site: <http://bit.ly/cP3YCX>.

T.J. Feb 11/2011



Larry Mc Intyre, Cathy Johnston, Bev Welch, Louise Long



W.I. summer yard sale in front of Clachan hall.



Beattie Haven barbecue for the volunteers

Helen McWilliams, Joyce Wright, Shirley Walker & June Purcell

JULY 25th- 3:00
Place-Oil Springs Oil Museum
Program- Louise Long
Dinner to follow

SEPTEMBER 26th- 7:30@Clachan Hall
Program- Bev Welch
Roll Call- What craft do you enjoy doing?
Reading- Florence McIntyre
Lunch- Bev Welch, Florence McIntyre,
Janet Quinton

Ken Willis talked about the War of 1812
and the founder of Wardsville-George Ward



OCTOBER 24, 7:30@Clachan Hall
Program- June Purcell
Roll Call- Pass the Salt, do you use salt?
Reading- Janet Quinton
Lunch- Joyce Wright, June Purcell,
Alma Johnston

Wendy (Purcell) Padfield spoke on the salt mine in Goderich where she lives and about surviving the tornado that struck their area.. It destroyed their business building in 2011.

NOVEMBER 28, 2011

Place: Home of Kathy Johnston

Roll Call: Bring a White Gift

Reading: Lois Woolner

Lunch: Kathy Johnston, Janet Quinton,
Helen McWilliams

Craft night - Each member made a Christmas center piece for the table.

JANUARY 23, 2012- 2:00p.m.

Place- Home of Lois Woolner

Roll Call- Highlights of the holidays

Reading- Kathy Johnston

Lunch- Lois Woolner, Marie Spence,
Alma Johnston

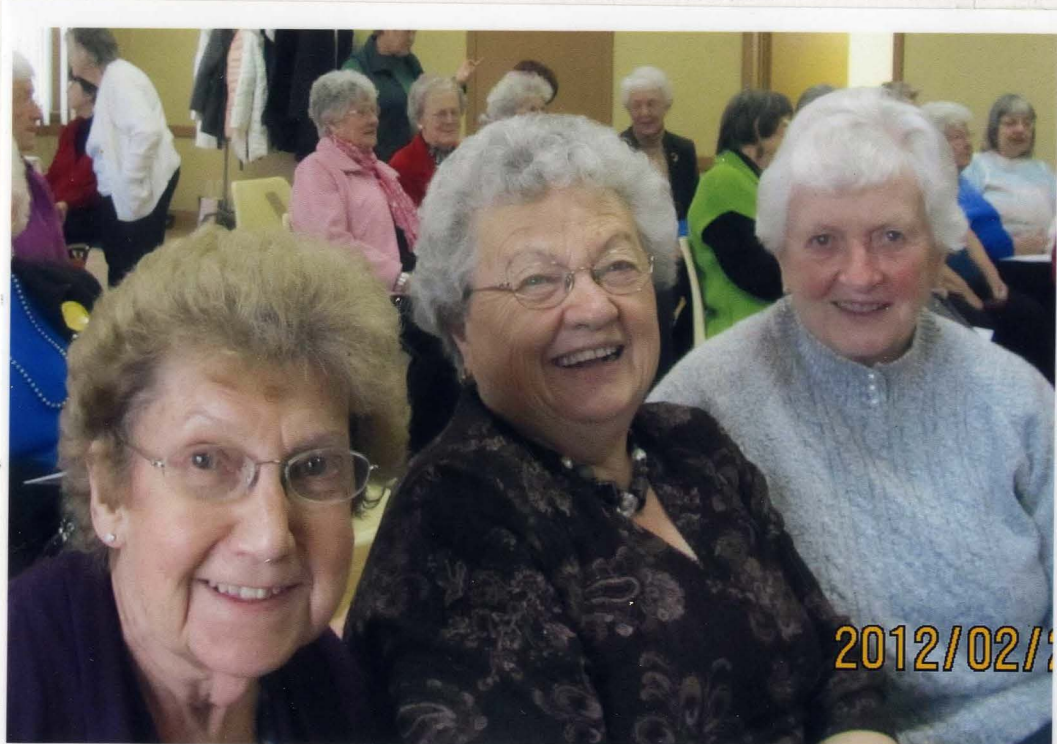
Stephanie Sledging R.N. from the West Elgin Health Center spoke on healthy heart , stroke and diabetes.



The annual winter picnic was held in February at the Wallacetown hall..A skit was put on .

The characters were Eland Lee, Mrs. Adelaide Hoodless and Mrs.E.D.Smith

From Clachan were Helen McWilliams, Cathy Johnston & Janet Quinton

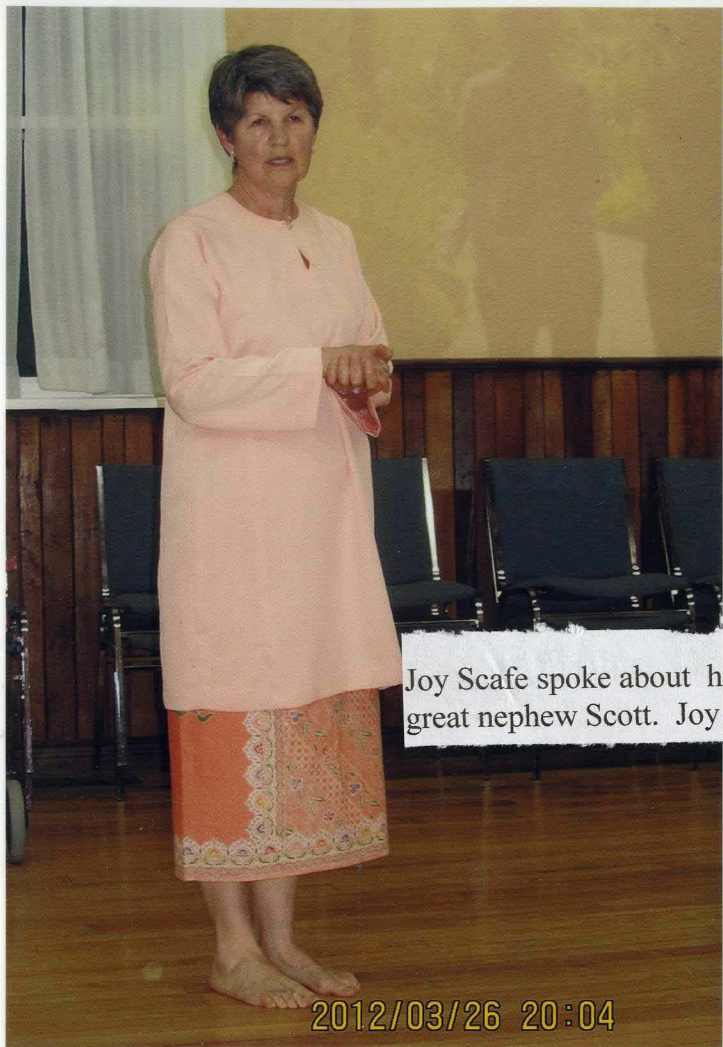




FEBRUARY 27, 2012@Clachan Hall
Program: Janet Quinton
Roll Call: A book or movie you would recommend
Reading: Joyce Wright
Lunch: Janet Quinton, Helen McWilliams
Kathy Johnston

Kay Quinton, from Palmyra, was our guest speaker. She told us about the construction of the Wind Turbines on their farm, along with an interesting album of the towers.

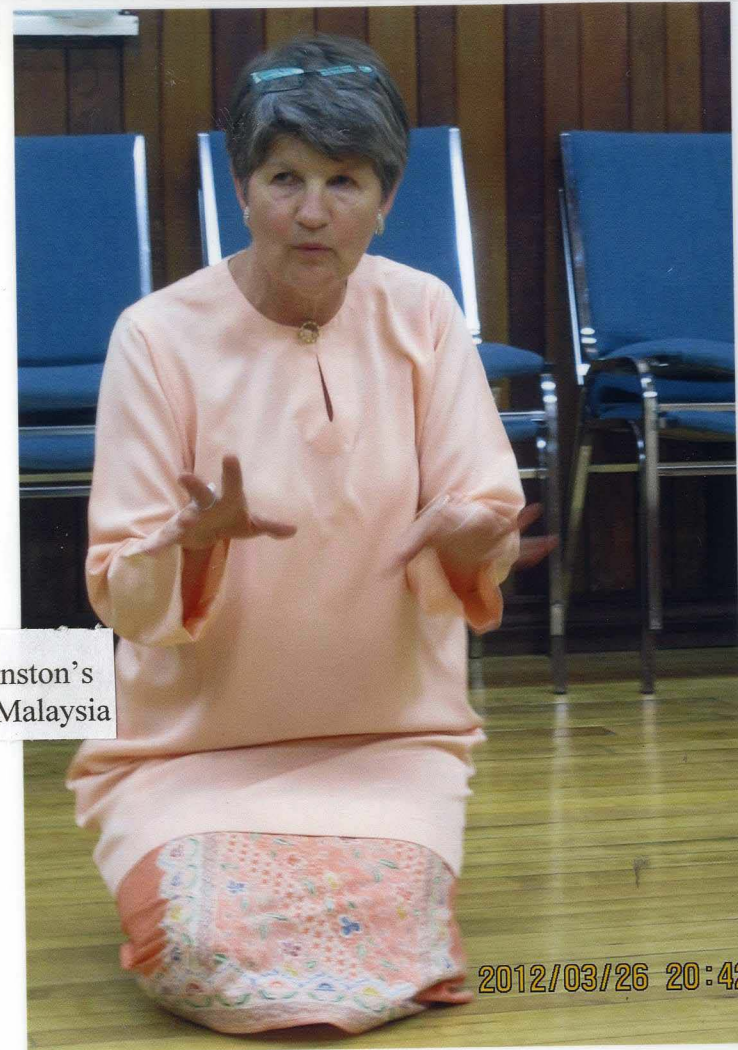




Joy Scafe spoke about her trip to Malaysia to attend a Muslim wedding of Alma Johnston's great nephew Scott. Joy is shown here with her wedding outfit that was made for in Malaysia

2012/03/26 20:04

MARCH 26, 2012- 2:00@Clachan Hall
 Program- Alma Johnston
 Roll Call- Wear Green, recite a limerick or suffer
 a penalty.
 Reading- Louise Long
 Lunch- Lois Woolner, Louise Long, Helen
 McWilliams



2012/03/26 20:42



Happiness
 My life has no purpose, no direction,
 no aim, no meaning, and yet I'm happy.
 I can't figure it out. What am I doing right?

APRIL 23, 2012 @12:30 Tasty Sweet Cafe
 Program: Elections
 Reading: Bev Welch
 Roll Call: Pay Dues



• St. Lois Woolner, Helen McWilliams, Marie Spence,
 Cathy Johnston, Alma Johnston, Joyce Wright,
 Louise Long, Fr. Janet Quinton, Bev Welch
 Betty Johnston(not shown)

May 3rd 2012-7:00
 Place; Home of Janet Quinton
 Program- Planning Meeting

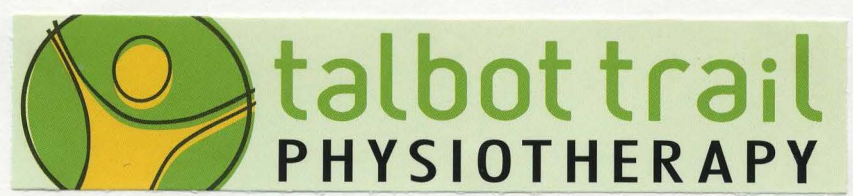


DESSERT TEA & CARD PARTY -



Jackie Leitch, Shirley Walker & Helen Mc Williams.

Joyce Wrihy, June Purcell, Alma Johnston, Lois Woolner, & Cathy Johnston

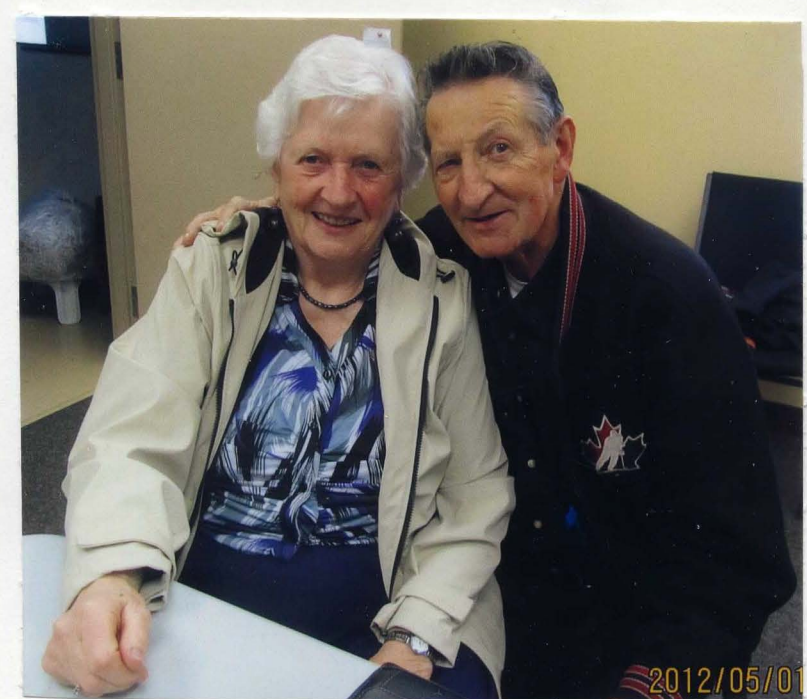


The West Lorne W.I. invited Clachan W.I. to their meeting on May 1st. The guest speaker was Chris Strieb, a physiotherapist, who developed the Talbot Trail physiotherapy clinics in St Thomas, Alymer, Woodstock, West Lorne, Blemheim. Hockey star, Wayne Gretzky's father Walter, came along too. He is receiving treatment from the clinic in St Thomas. Lunch followed.



2012/05/01 13:35

Walter Gretzky, Joyce Wright, Louise Long, Alma Johnston, Cathy Johnston & Helen McWilliams.



2012/05/01

Janet Quinton & Walter Gretzky



2012/05/01 13:

Lois Woolner, Walter Gretzky & Joyce Wright

ELGIN COUNTY DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
15th District Annual Meeting – Wednesday, May 16, 2012
St. James Presbyterian Church
44936 Ferguson Line, Central Elgin



Theme: "YES, WE CAN"

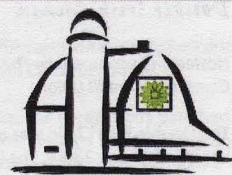
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AREA VOTING DELEGATE **Rie Van Steeg** **519-245-6785**
25 Buttery Court, R.R.6, Strathroy, ON N7G 3H7



District Board Members Up back: Faye Thorn Front: Helen Van Brenk, Madeleine Jenkins,
 Nancy Mc Gregor, Lois Woolner Margaret Carroll ,Theresa St. Pierre



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June 25th; 2012 7:30

Place: Kathy Johnston

Program: Kathy Johnston

**Roll Call: Name a friend from school days and
 tell something about her.**

Reading: Janet Quinton

Lunch: Kathy Johnston, Lois Woolner, Janet Quinton

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HOSTESS BRANCHES: Yarmouth Glen / Kingsmill-Mapleton
***NOTE:** Potluck Supper 5:30 pm (Lug a mug, dishes, cutlery)
REGISTRATION: 6:45 - 7:00 PM - Kingsmill-Mapleton

WELCOME: Yarmouth Glen
O'CANADA Opening Ode / Mary Stewart Collect
President's Address

MEMORIAL: Shedden

GREETINGS: London Area President - Berniece Harris
Middlesex East President - Ruth Gourley
Middlesex Northwest President - Marg Harris
London Area Voting Delegate - Rie Van Steeg
FWIO (SR) Board Director - Eleanor Williams

RATIFICATION of DISTRICT DIRECTORS - Faye Thorn

Lois
ROLL CALL: Pennies for Friendship (2 members to present)
***State branch name, amount donated, # members attending today,
how many active members, and annual total volunteer hours.
*Comment on a special event held during the past year (1 min.)**

ADOPTION of MINUTES - District Annual 2011 (circulated)
BUSINESS arising from minutes:

TREASURERS Report: (circulated in Annual Report)
FINANCIAL EXAMINERS Report: Lois Woolner / Jacqueline Leitch
CORRESPONDENCE: Cowal branch disbanding
Southern Ontario Support - Debbie Bauer

CONVENOR Reports: ROSE Coordinator - Joanne Erickson
PRO - Marion McKenzie
Tweedsmuir Curator - Helen Van Breuk
Advocacy Convener - Betty Rodgers
4-H Scholarships - Luella Monteith

REPRESENTATIVES: Cancer Tea Report - Leola Lawrence
Elgin Farm Safety - Mary Ann Caughell
Elgin County Museum - Joan Mansell
Children's Hospital - Madeleine Jenkins
LAMP

LIGHT & LIVELY - Middlemarch

TWIN BRANCHES 2012-2013: Boxall & Kingsmill-Mapleton
Crinan & West Lorne Middlemarch & Cowal
Clachan & Shedden Wallacetown & Yarmouth Glen

**BRANCHES to donate items for the Country Store at the London
Area Convention at Thorndale Community Centre - October 11, 2012**
THEME: Costume dress-up (no mask) **Hostess:** Middlesex East

***Nominations for WOMAN of EXCELLENCE FAIR award are to be
submitted to District Secretary before deadline of June 1, 2012.**

NOMINATIONS Committee Report:
ELECTION of OFFICERS & INSTALLATION: Berniece Harris

PRESENTATION:

Lois
COLLECTION: Kingsmill-Mapleton

NEW BUSINESS:

INVITATION District Annual May 15, 2013 - Clachan
COURTESIES: Grace Campbell
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymn of All Nations

This is my song, O God of all the Nations
A song of peace for lands afar and mine
This is my love, the country where my heart is
This is my hope, my dream, my shrine
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams the same as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean
And sunlight beams on clover leaf and pine
But other lands have sunlight, too, and clover
And skies are sometimes blue as mine,
Oh hear my song, then God of all the Nations
A song of peace for their land and mine.

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Carpenter's Square

21996 Hagerty Road, Wardsville ON
Hosted by the Wardsville Community Centre

George Ward's many life experiences left him more than skilled in construction and assembly. During his many years in the British army, Ward gained the necessary skills to construct shelters. It was a common requirement for British soldiers to construct their own barracks, forts and shelters...

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The Tree Of Life

1176 Longwoods Rd., Wardsville ON
Hosted by the Wardsville Post Office
Sponsored by Town and Country Landscaping

After being discharged from the army, Mr. Ward obtained a grant of land in 1797 in Camden Township in Kent and settled down on the banks of the Thames. Little is known of Margaret Shaw who likely came from the area...

17



George Ward's Inn

22789 Hagerty Road, Newbury ON
Hosted and Sponsored by McNaughton Family Shopping Centre (on big shed facing Concession Street)

Ward was discharged from the army in 1796. However, the British Army requested that Ward come out of retirement to establish a tavern to aid travelers and soldiers. Mr. and Mrs. George Ward's Inn was opened in 1810...

18



Farmer's Wife: Margaret Ward

1918 Longwoods Rd., Wardsville ON
Hosted by Bladek Farm and Sponsored by J.H. Sales & Service. Great Windows!

"This morning I set bread to rise in the warmth from the fireplace, while the two youngest children took turns churning the butter. The churn and two new oak buckets have made life considerably easier, although I still have to thresh, grind and winnow wheat before I can make bread." excerpt from Rosemary Cranney's "Through the Eyes of Margaret Ward."

19



Corn, Beans, and Wheat

2573 Longwoods Rd., Wardsville ON
Hosted by Jan and Paul Moniz

Those early settlers who broke ground and planted the first crops recognized the richness of the soil and the good growing seasons. Corn, beans and wheat were well adapted to the soils and were essential to survival...

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Water Wheel

195 Wellington Street, Wardsville ON
Hosted by Quad County Support Services

The water wheel was one of the most advanced pieces of technology available in the early 1800s. A valuable community asset, the wheel harnessed the power of water to turn the large grinding stones. Without the water wheel, flour had to be ground by hand.

21



Grist Mill

1948 Longwoods Rd., Wardsville ON
Hosted and Sponsored by the Wardsville Golf Club

During the last part of his life, George Ward saw the construction of a gristmill along the north banks of the Thames. Relieved of hand grinding, the gristmill drew settlers and businesses to the village.

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Turkey Tracks

1213 Longwoods Rd., Wardsville ON
Hosted by John and Michelle Cameron

Turkey Tracks represent the abundance of wildlife and vegetation in the area. There were wild turkeys, rabbits, squirrels, ducks and geese. One of the most widely hunted animals in the area was the deer. Deer were not only used for meat but hide and sinews were used as well...

23



Bounty from The Thames-Fish

15611 Morrison Road., Wardsville ON
Hosted and sponsored by John and Christine Johnston

The First Nations people living along the Thames used the Thames River as a source for food and taught European settlers proper fishing techniques. The bounty of the Thames was a key source of protein for everyone.

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Apple Tree

22474 Hagerty Road, Wardsville ON
Hosted by the Fisher Family

According to records, George Ward owned an apple orchard of 80 healthy and productive trees. His garden and orchard was said to be the best between Amherstburg and Delaware. Apple orchards were a common and essential part of settler life in the 1800s. All settlers grew their own fruit and vegetables...

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Double Irish Chain
1739 Longwoods Road, Wardsville ON
Hosted and sponsored by The Thamesville Community Credit Union



The Double Irish Chain was a popular quilt pattern used in the early 1800s. The history of the quilt pattern connects this quilt and the life of George Ward to his humble beginnings in his native country of Ireland...



The Cross
1870 Longwoods Rd, Wardsville ON
Hosted by the North American Martyrs Cemetery
Sponsored by Don and Eileen Cartier



George and Margaret Ward were devout Anglicans. They believed that God was an omnipresent God who rewarded those who followed him. Prayer and worship were daily parts of the Wards' life...



Old Country Church
21911 Hagerty Road, Wardsville ON
Hosted by St. Johns Presbyterian Church



The Christian faith was a strong aspect of settlers' lives in the 19th century. When churches were eventually built in the mid 1800s, they served numerous functions. The church was typically the town meeting place...



Church Window
207 Church Street, Wardsville ON
Hosted by Wardsville United Church



In the early 1800s, there were no churches. Settlement was sparse. This was a time for personal direction in faith and 'saddlebag' preachers. These men of God traveled from place to place on horseback, ministering to the people...



Soldiers
2945 Longwoods Road, Glencoe ON
Hosted at the Battle Hill Cairn which commemorates the Battle of the Longwoods March 4, 1814
Sponsored by Betty Simpson



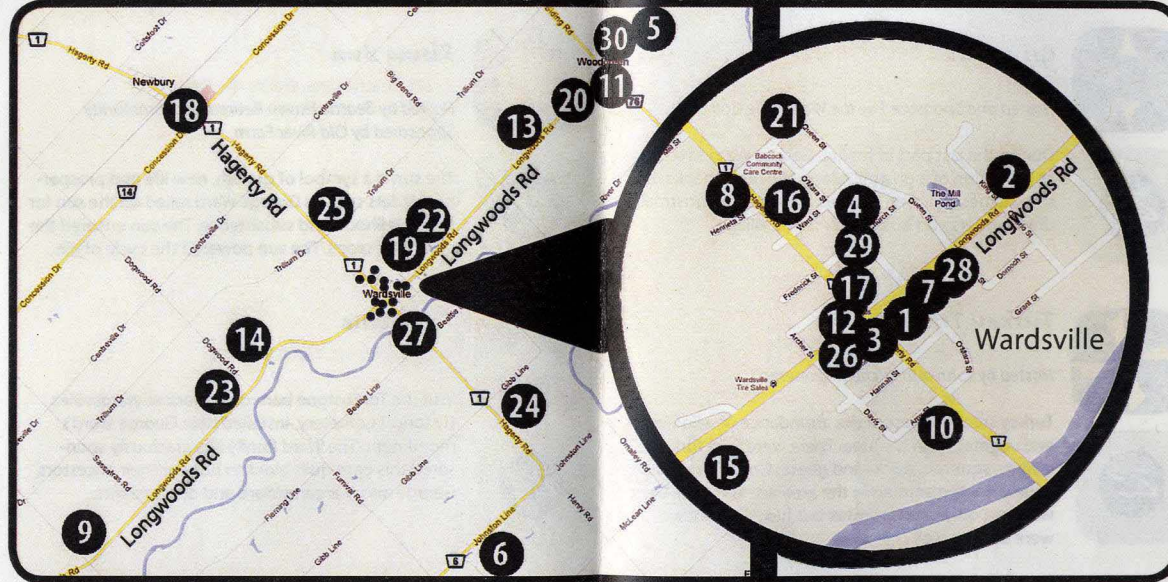
War was a common part of George Ward's life in the late 18th and early part of the 19th century. It seemed the British were constantly at war with the Americans and French...



Ship At Sea
22924 Johnston Line, Rodney ON
Hosted by the Neville family



The ship at sea was a significant part of George Ward's life. Ward would have been very familiar with travelling by sea and operating sailing ships. He made many trips across the ocean when he was enlisted in the British Army...



Union Jack
1809 Longwoods Rd, Wardsville ON
Hosted by Wardsville Seniors Apartments



The Union Jack was created in 1801 to represent the Union of Scotland, the Kingdom of Ireland and the Kingdom of Great Britain. It was under this flag that early settlers and the following generations of Canada grew and prospered...



Battle of Trois-Rivieres
196 Wellington Street, Wardsville ON
Hosted and Sponsored by Babcock Community Care Centre



In the early 1770s, as the British parliament was drafting the Quebec Act, which would supersede the Royal Proclamation as the constitution of Quebec, revolution was breaking out in the American colonies...

What is a Barn Quilt?

A barn quilt mural is made of two sheets of high-grade plywood (MDO), 8' x 8' square, painted with a quilt block pattern and sealed to withstand the weather.

See a more detailed map by visiting <http://goo.gl/maps/pE5p>



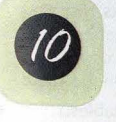
Compass
677 Longwoods Rd, Wardsville ON
Hosted by May Farms



Navigation through this area was challenging. The trees of Longwoods were large and old. The forest was dense and dark. Trees one hundred feet tall blocked out the sun. Travellers had to have a good sense of direction...



Crossed Canoes on the Thames River
21855 Hagerty Rd, Wardsville ON
Hosted and Sponsored by Luis and Pamela Couton



Called "La Tranche" by the French and "Askunessippi" by the First Nations, the Thames was the best route. During the winters of wartime, the frozen Thames became an ice road for continuous shipment of troops and supplies.



Wagon Tracks
21895 Pratt Siding, Wardsville ON
Hosted by Tom and Janice McCallum and sponsored by T.L. McCallum Construction Ltd.



By the 1840s, the Longwoods path had been widened to allow wagons to travel back and forth. The widened path inadvertently led to the development of the area and increased communication along Longwoods Road...



Woodland Path: Early Longwoods Road
Victoria Lyn Salon, 1775 Longwoods Road, Wardsville
Sponsored by City Centre Archives, London, ON



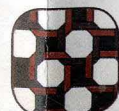
The 'Longwoods' path was hard to follow and traders often lost their way. Imagine hundreds upon hundreds of acres of Shunk's Misery -- uninterrupted Carolinian forest. Upon rumours of war in 1810, George Ward was asked by the British army to construct an inn...



Salute To Colours
2380 Longwoods Rd, Wardsville ON
Hosted by Knapp's Farm Service Inc.



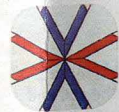
George Ward enlisted with the 58th regiment in Ireland; came to North America in 1776 in the 62nd regiment of the British army; fought in the American Revolutionary War; saw action in Ticonderoga; was captured in the battle of Camden; questioned in order to turn his loyalties from the British Crown; escaped from a Boston prison; reenlisted in New York with his fellow soldiers; was honourably discharged in 1796.



Twisted Rope
1359 Longwoods Rd, Wardsville ON
Hosted by Wendy and Dave Yorke



During the War of 1812, George Ward was captured by the Americans and repeatedly questioned to reveal the position of the British army. Loyal Ward revealed no information, even after the Americans attempted to hang him three times 'until the life was almost extinct'. George Ward escaped back to the British army but his property, home and tavern were burned to the ground in retaliation.



Victory: War Ends in 1814
West end of Wardsville on south side of Longwoods Rd



"The Americans think they won the war. The Canadians know they won the war. The First Nations lost the war." In the end, the British kept the Americans from taking British territories, but the war left much hardship and damage for the people who lived here. Mr. and Mrs Ward suffered great losses to their property,



Indian Paintbrush-Delaware First Nations

1759 Longwoods Rd., Wardsville ON

Hosted by Ilse Buhn and Ken Fitt and

Sponsored by Wardsville Tire Sales.

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The Delaware Nation of the Thames were tremendous help in the settlement of the Wardsville region. New-comer settlers were often aided by native communities in adapting to the region they were living...



Rising Sun

23328 Beattie Line, Wardsville ON

Hosted by Beattie Haven Retirement Community

Sponsored by Old River Farm

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The sun is a symbol of growth, new life and prosperity. Settlers such as George Ward relied on the sun for their livelihood and subsistence. The sun ensured the growth of crops. The sun powered the cycle of life...



Tombstone

Kennedy Street, Wardsville ON.

Visit the Tombstone barn quilt block at Wardsville's Historical Cemetery, installed near George Ward's monument. The Ward family has graciously sponsored this barn quilt block to honour their ancestors, George and Margaret Ward and descendants...

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Path To Peace

Wellington and Church St., Wardsville ON

Sponsored by Canadian Legion Hall Branch 583 - Newbury, ON

Located at the Remembrance Day Cairn across from the Wardsville United Church

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Those settlers were no strangers to war. This block represents the paths in George Ward's life that eventually led to peace.



Centennial Maple Leaf

2801 Longwoods Rd., Glencoe ON

Hosted by Sarah and Eric Simpson

Sponsored by Egg Farmers of Ontario

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Centennial Maple Leaf is an integral part of our Canadian history. It was designed for the celebrations in conjunction with Canada's one-hundredth anniversary...



High Tea in honor of the Queen's Jubilee

B.R. Dorothy Long, Joyce Wright, Helen McWilliams, Alma Johnston, Marie Spence, Janet Quinton, Bev Welch, Cathy Johnston, Lois Woolner. F.R. June Purcell, Florence McIntyre, Louise Long, Betty Johnston



May 28th, 2012- 3:00
 Place: Louise Long
 Program: High Tea with appropriate attire.
 Roll Call : Thought's about the Queen
 Reading: Lois Woolner
 Lunch: Bev. Welch, Alma Johnston, Louise Long



Wallacetown Women's Institute 100th Anniversary—July 3, 1912—2012

Wallacetown
Women's Institute

July 12, 2012



100th Anniversary
1912 - 2012



F.R. Mrs. Johnston, Louie Lackey- B.R. Kathy Minnema, Doris Barber, Amarvlis Droulard, Darlene Ford, Joan McLandress, ?, ?, Sally McIntyre, Connie Rose, Helen VanBrenk



- GREETINGS -
MP Joe Preston
MPP Jeff Yurek
Warden Bill Waters
Mayor Cameron McWilliam

2012/07/12



<clockwise: Louise Long, Lois Woolner, Kathy Johnston, Helen Okolisan Janet Quinton & Alma Johnston

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Wallacetown Women's Institute 100th Anniversary—July 3, 1912—2012

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MARY STEWART COLLECT / THE LORD'S PRAYER -

- PRESIDENT'S WELCOME -

Helen Van Brenk

- REMEMBERING, WITH

KATHY MINNEMA, AMARILIS DROUILLARD: -

Marjorie Ripley, Mary Lapadat,

Dorothy Lamb, Gladys Graham,

Jeannie Leitch

- GREETINGS -

MP Joe Preston

MPP Jeff Yurek

Warden Bill Waters

Mayor Cameron McWilliam

- PRESIDENT OF LONDON AREA -

Berniece Harris

- PRESIDENT OF DISTRICT -

Mary Ann Caughell

- HISTORY OF WALLACETOWN WI -

Louie Lackey

- ENTERTAINMENT -

The Noorloos Family

- GUEST SPEAKER -

Grace Campell

- ENTERTAINMENT -

Rap "Ode to Adelaide Hoodless"

Darlene Ford, Mary Gillett

- INTRODUCTION OF WALLACETOWN WI -

Doris Barber

- COURTESY -

Sally McIntyre

- INSTITUTE GRACE -

- LUNCH -

- MUSIC BY

SOPHIE GOWAN -

Wallacetown Women 's Institu
List of Members in 2012:

Doris Barber
Amarilis Drouillard
Darlene Ford
Mary Gillett
Joan Johnston
Louie Lackey
Kay Lilley
Ruby McGugan
Sally McIntyre
Joan McLandress
Kathy Minnema
Dorothea Monteith
Connie Rose
Ruth Rueger
Helen Van Brenk
Kay Waite

Orville was the son of Garnet Henry Long & Annie Mae Purcell



Orville Long-- born May 14,1923-killed in action on August27,1944 at the age of 23.inSt.Quen Dutilleul, France. In 1945 he was exhumed and buried in a Canadian military cemetery – Brettezville-Sur-laize.

September 24th,
Place ; Clachan Hall 7:30
Program: Bev Welch
Roll Call: Name a family member that was in the war
Reading: Joyce Wright
Lunch: Bev Welch, Marie Spence



LONDON AREA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
98TH ANNUAL CONVENTION
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2012

THEME: LAUGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE
FORMAT: COSTUME HALLOWEEN PARTY

LOCATION
Thorndale Community Centre



Joan Mansell



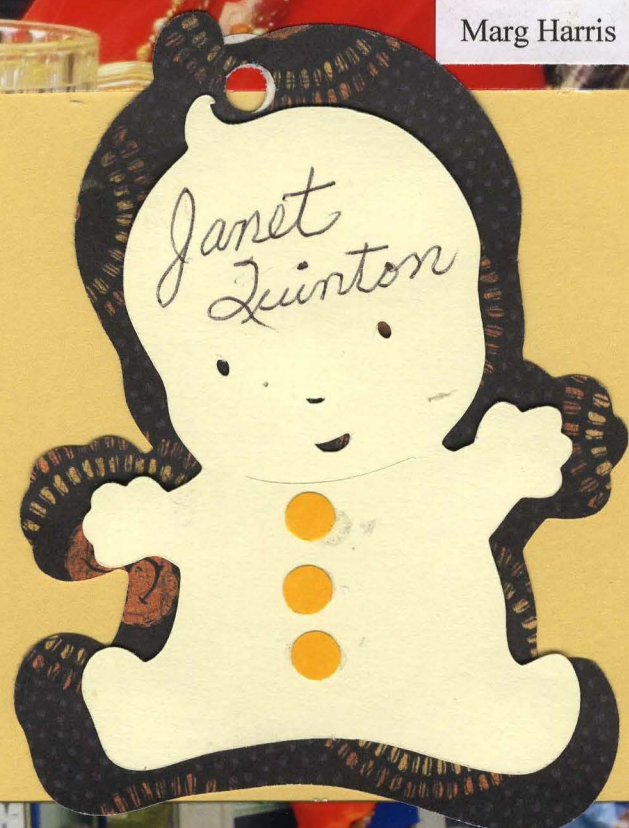
Marg Harris



Shirley Walker



Therrisa St Pierre



Lois Woolner & Janet Quinton 2012/10/



Do I remember her in court?



2012 Rodney Fair Prince: Kirk Mc Intyre



Beattie Haven Auxillary: Louise Long, Joan Lashbrook, Peggy Fulmer, Donna Miller, Norma Mann, Corine Fleming

Author Al McGregor

Rodney and West Lorne Library News

Shelley Fleming

On Nov. 22 at 7:00p.m., Al McGregor will be presenting a book talk and signing regarding his new book, A Porous Border. This novel explores Canada and the American Civil War and is based on actual events, from the vantage point of

spies and general, clerks and politicians, Southern belles and faithful servants, farmers and sailors, friends and lovers. The lives of historic figures and fictional characters are complicated by war. Their journeys carry them across North America as key participants and as witnesses. A few will meet and others will only pass in the night. Mr. McGregor is an informative and entertaining speaker. Plan to join us at the West Lorne Library.



November 26th, 2012 7:30
 Program; Janet Quinton
 Place: to be announced
 Roll Call: Bring a White Gift
 Reading: Marie Spence
 Lunch: June Purcell, Florence
 McIntyre, Alma Johnston



Marie Spence, Louise Long, Joyce Wright, Janet Quinton, Cathy Johnston, Lois Woolner, Helen McWilliams

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Gift for Cathy Johnston who is moving to Leamington



Shirley Walker, Dorothy Japiec, Donna Driver, Gwen Mc Laine

October 22, 7:30

Place: Clachan Hall 7:30

Program Helen McWilliams

Roll Call: Memories of farming when you were a child

Reading: Kathy Johnston

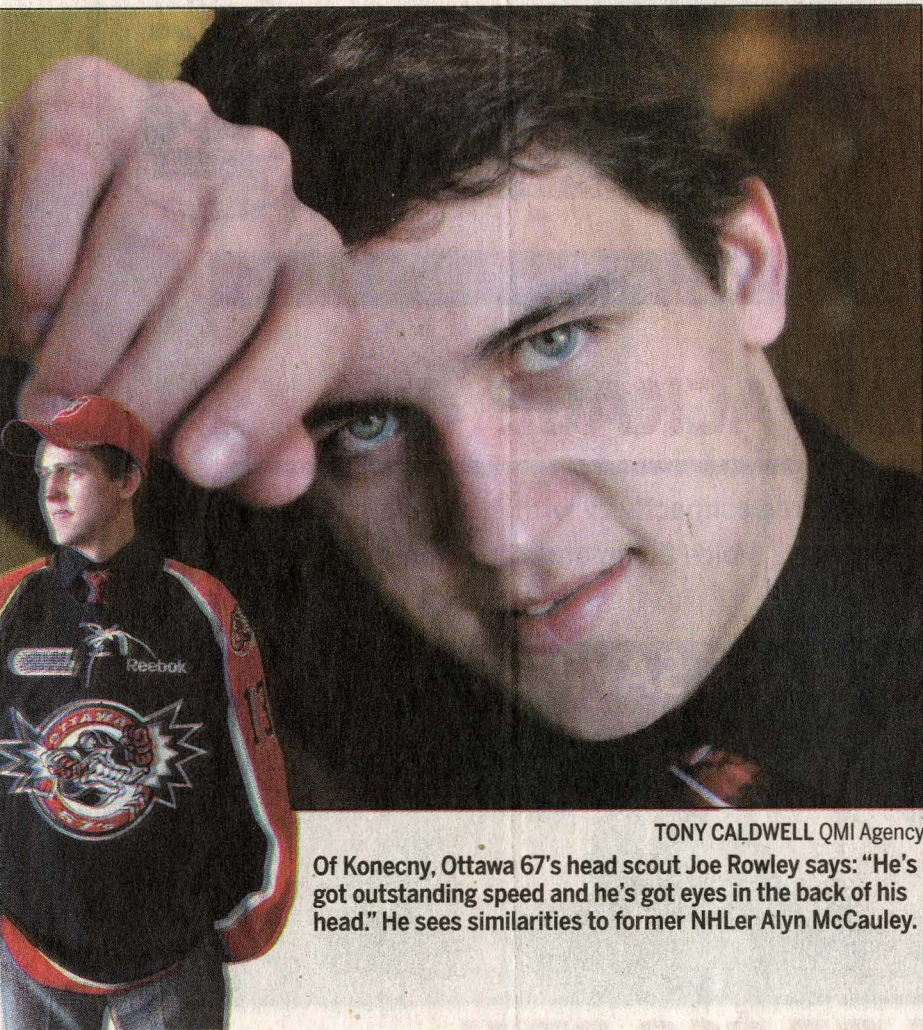
Lunch: Joyce Wright, Louise Long, Helen McWilliams



CRAIG GLOVER The London Free Press

Travis Konecny sits surrounded by his family in the living room of the family home in Clachan in the days leading up to this weekend's OHL draft. Selected first overall, the 16-year-old will play for the Ottawa 67's. "Konecny was the first guy on our scouting list from start to finish," said 67's coach-general manager Chris Byrne. "He's a dynamic offensive player, great hockey sense, skating, shooting."

'It's ... becoming reality right now'



TONY CALDWELL QMI Agency

Of Konecny, Ottawa 67's head scout Joe Rowley says: "He's got outstanding speed and he's got eyes in the back of his head." He sees similarities to former NHLer Alyn McCauley.

AEDAN HELMER

QMI Agency

OTTAWA — Now that's exceptional.

Travis Konecny will be the first player chosen in Saturday's OHL priority selection, making Sean Day the first player granted exceptional status by Hockey Canada to be passed over with the first overall pick.

Coach-GM Chris Byrne made it official Friday, introducing Konecny, the 16-year-old captain of the Alliance League champion Elgin-Middlesex Chiefs, at a packed news conference.

"(Konecny) was the first guy on our scouting list from start to finish," said Byrne, who said the decision was made last week after all scouting reports had been compiled.

"He's a dynamic offensive player, great hockey sense, skating, shooting. The element he adds that is so rare is that he has all that skill but also plays incredibly hard. He plays a determined game, likes to finish checks, goes to the dirty areas. That's the reason he's here today."

The first player to go first overall to the 67's since Alyn McCauley in 1993, head scout Joe Rowley sees similarities between the two.

"We're always looking for the best skater we can find, and the second thing we look for is character and the ability to compete with bigger players, and (Konecny) can definitely do that," said Rowley, who first met with the Konecny at a mid-December tournament.

"He's got outstanding speed and he's got eyes in the back of his head. He has a lot of the

same characteristics as Alyn McCauley (who played in the NHL from 1997 to 2007), although I think (Konecny) is a better skater."

Konecny said he hopes to live up to the expectations that come with being a first overall pick.

"It's an unbelievable experience. It's been a dream of mine since I was a little kid," Konecny said as he pulled on a 67's jersey for the first time. "It's starting to sink in and it's really something special . . . It's kinda becoming reality right now."

A swift-skating centre, Konecny — who stands 5-foot-10 and 165 pounds — led the Chiefs to an Alliance League title with 53 goals and 114 points in 54 regular season games, adding seven goals and 18 points in 11 playoff games, while collecting MVP honours.

Konecny, along with parents Rob and Terri and older brother Chase, were given a tour of the city this week by Byrne and the 67's staff.

One of the first calls of congratulations came from 67's captain Sean Monahan, who will serve as a role model for the young centre, as long as Monahan remains with the team beyond the upcoming NHL entry draft, where he's expected to be taken early in the first round.

"He seems like a good guy and a good guy to look up to," said Konecny. "He's a great player and a great role model for everyone. I'm really excited to hopefully getting some playing time with (Monahan) next year."

As far as the scrutiny that will surely come with being selected ahead of a player who comes with as much hype as Day, Konecny wasn't bothered.

"Sean Day is an amazing hockey player and I have all the respect in the world for him. He deserves to be in the league next year because he is that exceptional a player and we need the best players in the league," Konecny said.

"I think Ottawa just needed a centreman, so I don't think it's anything against (Day.) I was ready to go wherever, I just wanted to help out. Thankfully they believed in me and put me in the right position to be here."

Byrne, who joked that he hoped to get through the news conference without saying Sean Day's name, said the selection of Konecny over Day didn't come down to positional needs.

"Going into the draft, we wanted the best player available and our entire staff was united that (Konecny) was the best player in the draft," Byrne said.

Team owner Jeff Hunt has no doubts that the 67's have their man.

"Monahan is our marquee player right now, and likely will continue to be as long as he's here," said Hunt. "But I don't think there's any doubt Travis will be the face of our franchise for years to come."

Ottawa Sun



For updates from Saturday's OHL draft go to ifpress.com

place more different. Clachan is a crossroads while Ottawa is the nation's capital, an international city where a single street has more residents than his entire home town.

So to say Konecny is travelling far for his hockey dream would be an understatement. Not only in a literal sense, though.

He was always a childhood standout on the ice. But over the past year his passage has sped up stunningly — starting with whispers he could be a Top 10 pick in the OHL draft.

Then? Hey, maybe Top 5. And suddenly the league's own scouting service ranked him the best player available.

But a big asterisk was affixed: the smooth-skating, six-foot-three defenceman Sean Day, a Detroit Compuware star seeking entry into the 2013 draft a year early, at age 15.

He got it, and like the three "exceptional" players before him — John Tavares, Aaron Ekblad and Connor McDavid — it was assumed he'd go first-overall.

But Ottawa couldn't pass up Konecny, and the leader of this season's powerhouse minor-midget Elgin-Middlesex Chiefs left many onlookers disbelieving.

As one OHL insider put it recently: "To be taken ahead of a player granted exceptional status — there isn't really a word to describe it. What do you call it? Super-exceptional?"

Konecny arrives in Ottawa with a fistful of skills — speed, scoring prowess, aggression, humility. He also has in his back pocket an Alliance minor-midget championship, won this spring with a team he led with 31 goals and 66 points in 27 games. Not to mention 72 penalty minutes. But forget all that.

Above all, it's Konecny's competitiveness that will ensure he succeeds against stiffer competition, says an old coach credited with helping the budding star raise his game.

"He's just one of those kids that has that look on his face . . . the gaze in his eyes where he would do anything for you to win a game," says Ken Gagner, who coached Konecny with the minor peewee Chatham-Kent Cyclones.

"He'd go into the corner with three guys and come out with the puck."

So what is it? That thing inside Konecny that pushes him so much harder than so many others?

It can be hard for onlookers to fully understand that kind of drive. But it's beautiful to watch, to see a boy burning alive to be the best. To understand, even as a teenager, the difference between very good and very, very good.

"A very, very good hockey player (will) work at things nonstop. Nothing's ever good enough for them," Konecny said during a morning workout this season. "The good hockey player will settle . . . they know they're good so they don't work at it.

"You've got to have that certain drive to want to move on to the next level. You've got to be a step ahead. You've got to be prepared to get there."

In a few years, the boy will be gone for good and Konecny will be fully grown, more mature, somewhere else — likely still in hockey but maybe not. Either way he'll surely be a man on fire, focused on getting to a goal, literal or figurative.

More than a few people who know will tell you it boils down to work ethic — and that it's essentially genetic, passed down through his family. A big brother secure in his own successes. A dad who's done just about everything right for his sons. A mom who keeps the family heart beating.

"It all starts at home, let's be honest," Gagner said. "It's all about work ethic, work ethic, work ethic. For Travis it was contagious and he implemented that into his game."

As he talks — "A lot of talented players don't have the will," Gagner says — one old hockey player's favourite credo comes to mind: In the last analysis mind triumphs over matter, and the will to win is more crucial than the skill to win.

It's a point worth remembering. People with talent but no heart may go nowhere, while those with heart but little talent have a shot.

But then there are the select few — in any sport, in anything at all — who like Konecny have both. The rare combination of will and skill.

And in the last analysis, one must wonder: what can stop that? Can anything?

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MORE: Konecny's family members and former coaches reflect on the early signs of an elite hockey talent, at lfp.com/video

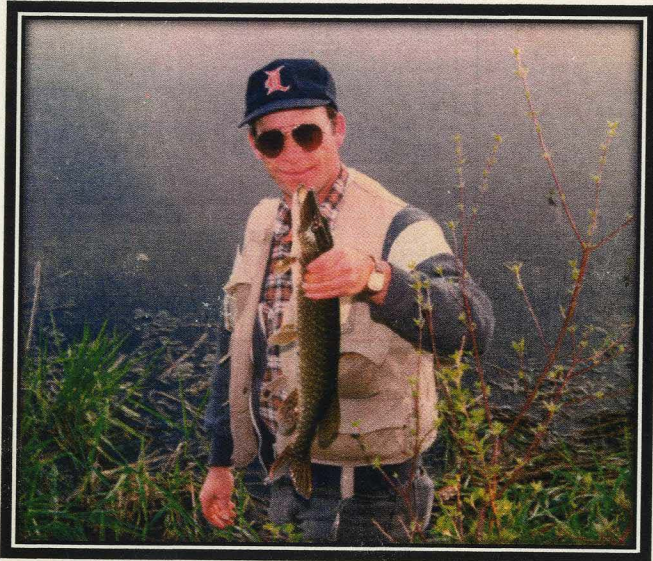
Konecny's been tabbed as the No. 1 player in this weekend's OHL draft by the Ottawa 67's, a legendary franchise whose dreadful season ended with a silver lining: the first-overall pick.

That they're using it on Konecny is a remarkable feat for the edgy, scoring centre, and it also serves as a stark symbol of the sacrifices young hockey players make.

He couldn't possibly travel farther from home for his OHL dream. Ottawa is more than 700 kilometres from Clachan, the Chatham-Kent community where he's been raised on a picturesque piece of rural land.

He also couldn't be going to a

In Loving Memory



William Allen Barry Wright
April 17, 1955 – December 18, 2012

January 28th, 2013- 2:00

Program; Marie Spence

Place to be announced

Roll Call: Bring a news Item

Reading; Helen McWilliams

Lunch; Lois Woolner, Janet Quinton, Marie Spence

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February 25th 2:00

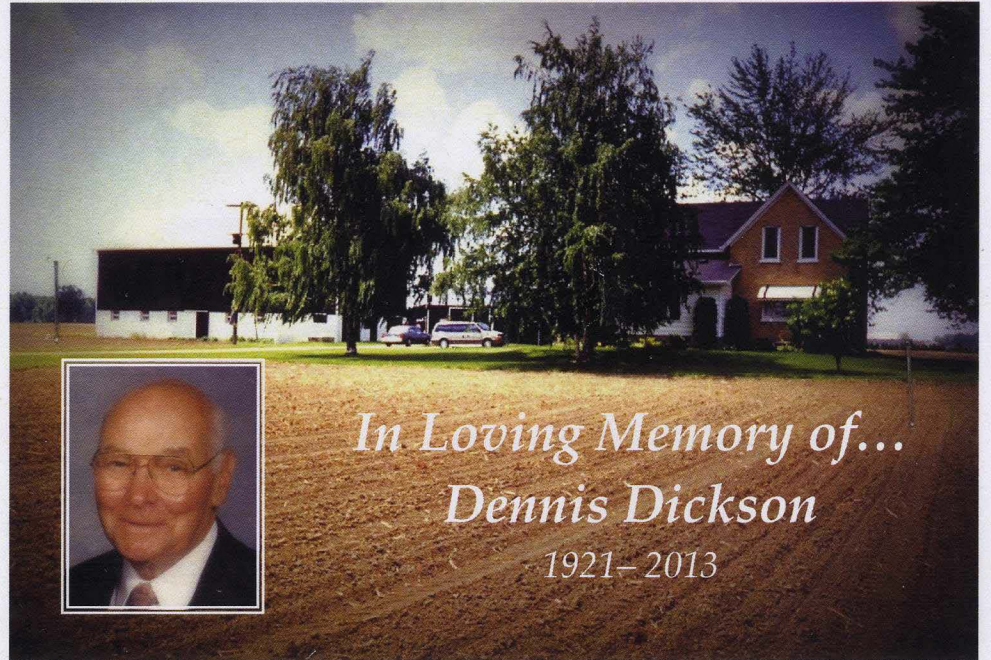
Place; Lois Woolner

Program: Lois Woolner

Roll Call: Wish I was (where?)

Reading; Louise Long

Lunch: Lois Woolner, Kathy Johnston

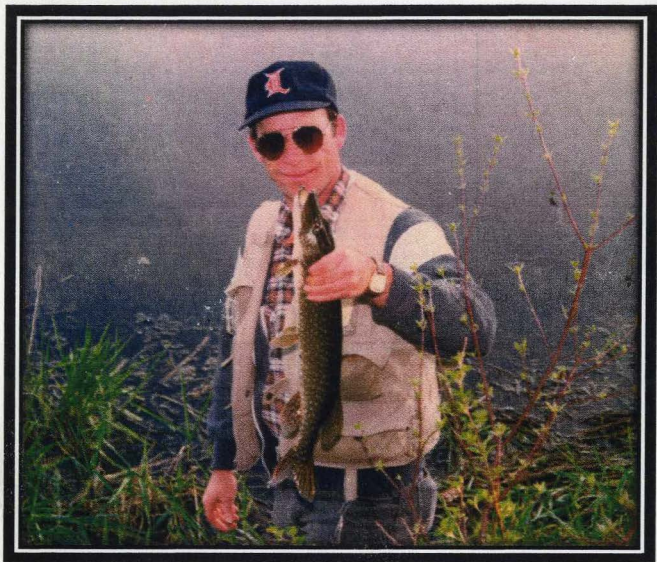


Theresa Hollingsworth, Lake Erie Public Forum Facillator, made a presentation on the status of Lake Erie and the problems of phosphate run off causing an increase in algae growth.

June Purcel I, Louise Long, Lois Woolner, standing Theresa Hollingsworth

Helen McWilliams, Helen Ocolisan, Cathy Johnston

In Loving Memory



William Allen Barry Wright
April 17, 1955 – December 18, 2012

I Am With You Still

I give you this one thought to keep

I am with you still--do not weep.

I am a thousand winds that blow.

I am the diamond glints on snow.

I am the sunlight on ripened grain.

I am the gentle autumn's rain.

When you awaken in the morning's hush,

I am the swift uplifting rush
of quiet birds in circled flight.

I am the soft stars that shine at night.

I am the fish that swims through the streams,

Just try and catch me only in your dreams.

Do not think of me as gone--

I am with you still--in each new dawn.

From - Joyce e Family

In Memory Of

William Allen Barry Wright

A Resident of

R.R. 1 Wardsville

Born

April 17, 1955

Chatham, Ontario

Passed Away

Tuesday, December 18, 2012

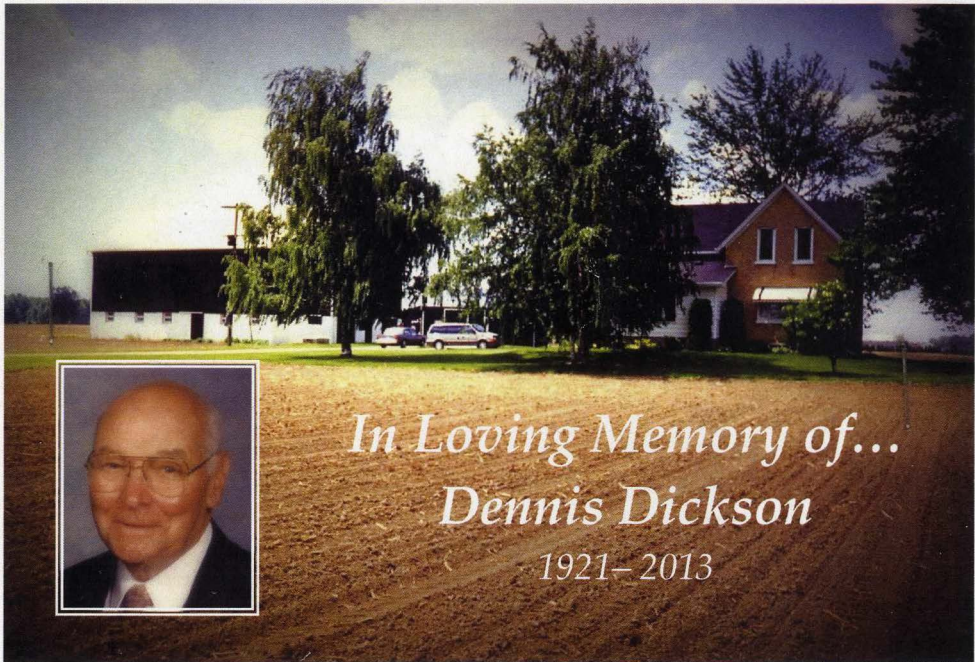
London Health Sciences Centre, London

Celebration of Life

Saturday, January 5, 2013 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

at Clachan Hall

Arrangements are entrusted to
Badder Funeral Homes, Bothwell



In Loving Memory of...

Dennis Dickson

1921–2013

*You can shed tears that he is gone, or you can smile because he has lived.
You can close your eyes and pray that he'll come back,
Or you can open your eyes and see all he's left.
Your heart can be empty because you can't see him,
Or you can be full of the love you shared.
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.
You can remember him only that he is gone,
Or you can cherish his memory, and let it live on.
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back.
Or you can do what he'd want:*

Smile, open your eyes, love, and go on.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Dennis Alfred Dickson

BORN

*February 25, 1921
Orford Township, Ontario*

PASSED AWAY

*January 2, 2013
Ridgetown, Ontario*

FUNERAL SERVICE

*11:00am Monday, January 7, 2013
McKinlay Funeral Home*

OFFICIATING

Rev. Tyler Powell

INTERMENT

*Riverview Cemetery
Wallaceburg, Ontario*

In Loving Memory



"Grandma Joyce"

August 21, 1932 – March 5, 2013



Winter card parties at Clachan Hall, 2013



March 25th, 2013 7:30

Place: Clachan Hall

Program Alma Johnston

Roll Call: Do you read labels, and what do you avoid

Reading: June Purcell

Lunch: Alma Johnston, June Purcell, Joyce Wright

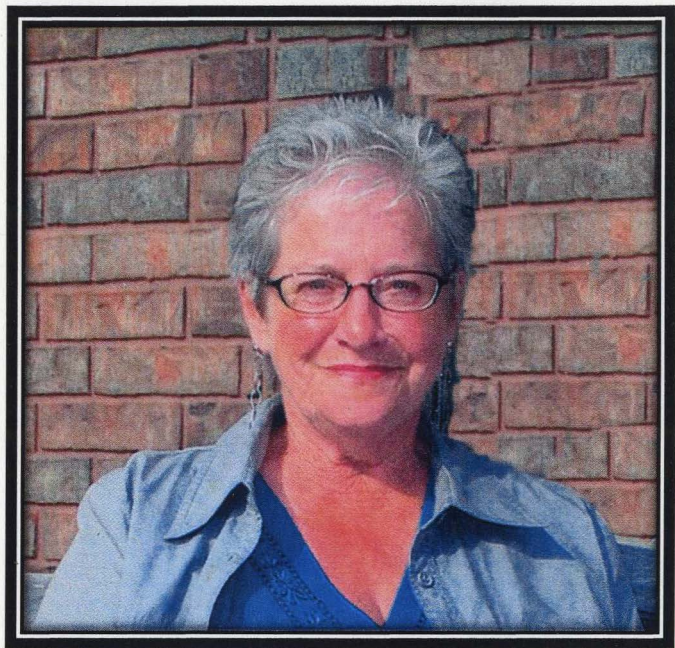
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The meeting was held at Alma Johnson's new apartment in Glencoe.

Alma's niece (Ken Long's wife & Louise Long's daughter-in-law) Rose Cramer gave a talk on making homemade soap, which she and her daughter sell in many stores in London and surrounding Toronto. She brought many samples for us to try.

In Loving Memory



“Grandma Joyce”

August 21, 1932 – March 5, 2013

MISS ME - BUT LET ME GO

When I come to the end of the road
And the sun has set for me
I want no rites in a gloom filled room
Why cry for a soul set free ?
Miss me a little - but not too long
And not with your head bowed low
Remember the love that we once shared
Miss me - but let me go
For this is a journey that we all must take
And each must go alone
It's all a part of the Master's plan
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart
Go to the friends you know
And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds
Miss me - but let me go

In Memory Of
Joyce Wright

A Resident of

R.R. #1 Wardsville

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This issue we highlight a
rising young star of the
Academy.

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TANNER PAGE

TANNER'S JOURNEY

This story highlights the journey of a young soccer player named Tanner. It highlights his experiences, successes and future challenges within the sport he loves. We would like to thank the Page family for sharing Tanners story with us and providing the pictures from their backyard and of Tanner.

Tanner Page resides in the small hamlet of Clachan Ontario, which is located between Chatham and London Ontario. Shortly after Tanner could walk, he became obsessed with kicking a ball around the house and playing soccer with his family. At that young age Tanner's older sister Gabi had already started to play soccer in the local community of Rodney, and Tanner really enjoyed watching her games and asked to start soccer right away. Shortly after Tanner was three he also joined the local soccer league in Rodney, and it quickly became his favourite pastime. When most three year olds were not too interested in soccer, it became quickly apparent that all Tanner wanted to do was put the ball in the net. Tanner's family ended up building a soccer pitch in the home's back yard, and the family actively uses it every chance they get. Tanner was fortunate enough to have the raw soccer skills

combined with good running abilities, which he demonstrated each year where he won the regional cross country challenge five years in a row. At the age of nine Tanner came to the realization that he would like to take his soccer skills to the next level and play in more of a competitive league. Therefore Tanner ended up leaving the local soccer league and ended up joining a competitive club in Lambeth where he could help improve his skills and play against some of the best players in the area. With lots of hard work and a good team around him, he was able to achieve the scoring leader title that year. The following season he decided to challenge himself even more and move up another division, and joined a club in Strathroy. Tanner ended up playing for Strathroy for the next couple of years, and the team actually was able to move up a couple of levels based on their last season's



PAGE FAMILY

From Left to Right, Julie, Phil, Tanner and Gabi

success. Tanner had begun training with Luka during the last season at Strathroy, and loved the way Luka would teach footwork and skills with the ball. Once Luka decided to start Eurostar Academy that next season, it wasn't a hard decision for Tanner to join Eurostar. Fortunately a few Strathroy team members made the same decision which made the transition even easier. However; this decision meant that he had to sacrifice 8-10 hours of week for training and another 8 hours of driving back and forth to London which he has adapted to. Even with all this invested time in training and games, he still finds time to watch a good soccer match with his family. Eurostar Academy has given Tanner an opportunity to improve his skills, along with an opportunity to play in Europe at such a young age. Tanner has always had the dream to play soccer in Europe and will continue to chase his dreams.


Tanner now possesses ball skills and foot balance unseen even with the very best players in southwestern Ontario. There is fluidity to his game, which is captivating to spectators. Watching 13 year olds play has never

been as entertaining as when Tanner gains control. He uses his space in an unconventional way because of his innate understanding of the physics involved in the game. In addition to his game skills, Tanner is one of the most liked up and coming soccer stars in London. He is always sporting a smile that makes other athletes want to work with him in achieving success on and off the pitch. Even with all the effort and success young athletes like Tanner achieve in Canada, playing in Europe remains a challenge. The higher competitive environment and recruitment laws in place within UEFA countries make it difficult to break into their leagues as a professional. While the future looks brighter with European countries allowing more labor movement across the ocean. These changes may not come in time for this generation of players whom will have to overcome the challenges to prove they belong at the highest level of soccer. Whatever the future holds for Tanner he has displayed immense dedication to his goals and there is no higher sign of future success whatever he chooses to pursue as a career.



"TANNER HAS ALREADY DISPLAYED IMMENSE DEDICATION TO HIS GOALS AND THERE IS NO HIGHER SIGN OF FUTURE SUCCESS"

LUKA SHAQIRI
EFA FOUNDER



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SAAC OPERATIONS MANAGER





Cancer Tea at the Bobier Nursihg Home in Dutton.

Clachan W.I.women helped serve the tea and cookies.

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Florence Mc Intyre & Louise Long

2013

April 22nd, 2013 12:00
 Place: To be Announced
 Program; Annual Meeting
 Roll Call: Pay our dues
 Reading; Bev Welch

L-R Betty Johnston, Marie Spence, Louise Long, June Purcell, Hellen McWilliams, Bev Welch,
 Lois Woolner(not shown–Janet Quinton, Florence Mc Intyre, Alma Johnston.)





in loving memory of
John Howard Purcell



October 17th, 1928 - July 29th, 2011

ELGIN COUNTY DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
16th District Annual Meeting – Wednesday, May 15, 2013
Clachan Community Hall
21649 Clachan Road



Theme: "BACK TO BASICS"

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John Howard Purcell



October 17th, 1928 - July 29th, 2011

Just a Farmer

"Just a Farmer", you said
And I laughed 'cause I knew
all the things that farmers
must be able to do.

They must study the land,
then watch the sky
and figure just when
is the right time and why -

To sow and to plant
to buy and to sell
to go to the market
with cattle and well -

You know the books
that farmers must keep
to pay all those taxes
and be able to sleep.

And you know the fixin'
that farmers must do
when machines like
mad monsters
blow a gasket or two.

I guess when God needed
folks to care for His earth
He chose "just farmers"
'cause He knew
their true worth.



in loving memory of
John Howard Purcell

BORN

October 17th, 1928
in Aldborough Township

PASSED AWAY

July 29th, 2011
in London, Ontario

FUNERAL SERVICE

Wednesday, August 3rd, 2011
at 2 pm

Rodney Chapel
Rev. Deb Dolbear – Van Bilsen
officiating

INTERMENT

Purcell Cemetery

RECEPTION

Clachan Hall

On July 29th, 2011 at University Hospital, John Howard Purcell peacefully passed on after a very brief illness. Beloved husband of June. Dear father of Peggy (Rene) VanAcker, JoAnne Manderson, Debbie Purcell, Wendy (Paul) Padfield, Patti (Mike) Nesbit, Penny (Derek) Geddes and Greg (Nadia) Purcell. Dearly loved by his grandchildren Chantelle (Kevin), Shannon (Danielle), Amanda (Tim), Amy, Shawn, Samantha, Katie, Johnny, Nicholas, Sadie, Nathan, Andy, Wesley, Megan, Haley, Jackson, Jessica, Tanya and Bill and great grandchildren Jamee, Mackenzie, Stacy, Cody, Griffin, Dylan, Grady, Cole, Georgia, Charlie and Van. John will be sadly missed by family pets Pepy and Tomer. Predeceased by grandson Shannon and sisters Joan, Marion and infant sister Jean. At the age of 82, John was still an active member of the community. His daily trips to town for coffee and farming interests kept him busy.

Friends may call at the **RODNEY CHAPEL OF DENNING FUNERAL DIRECTORS** on Tuesday, August 2nd, 2011 from 2-4 and 7-9 pm. Funeral service will be held on Wednesday at 2 pm at the Rodney Chapel. Interment Purcell cemetery. Donations in memory of John would be appreciated in trust of Beattie Haven Retirement Home. Condolences may be left at www.denningfuneralhome.com or 519 785-0810.



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HOSTESS BRANCHES: Clachan/Wallacetown

***NOTE: Dessert** 6:30 pm (Lug-a-Mug)

REGISTRATION: 6:30 - 7:00 pm – Wallacetown

WELCOME: 7:15 pm - Clachan

O'CANADA Opening Ode / Mary Stewart Collect
President's Address "BACK TO BASICS"

GREETINGS: London Area President – Sheila Greason
Middlesex East President – Ruth Gourley
Middlesex Northwest President – Marg Harris

MEMORIAL: Shedden

RATIFICATION of DISTRICT DIRECTORS – Mary Ann Caughell

ROLL CALL: Pennies for Friendship (2 members to present)
*State branch name, amount donated, number of members attending,
number of active members; number of annual total volunteer hours.
*Comment on a special event held during the past year (1 min.)

ADOPTION of MINUTES - District Annual 2012 (circulated)
BUSINESS arising from minutes:

TREASURERS Report: Pauline Lindsay (circulated in Annual Report)
FINANCIAL EXAMINERS Report: Lois Woolner / Jacqueline Leitch
CORRESPONDENCE:

CONVENOR Reports: ROSE Coordinator – Joanne Erickson
PRO – Marion McKenzie
Tweedsmuir Curator – Helen Van Brenk
Advocacy Convener – Betty Rodgers
4-H Scholarships – Luella Monteith

REPRESENTATIVES: Cancer Tea Report – Leola Lawrence
Elgin Farm Safety – Ruth Davis
Elgin County Museum – Joan Mansell
Children's Hospital – Madeleine Jenkins
LAMP – Faye Thorn

London Area Voting Delegate: Rie Van Steeg

Provincial Board Director: Eleanor Williams

LIGHT & LIVELY – Yarmouth Glen

TWIN BRANCHES 2013-2014: Boxall/Kingsmill-Mapleton
Crinan/West Lorne Middlemarch
Clachan/Shedden Wallacetown/Yarmouth Glen

BRANCHES to donate \$10 each towards 2 baskets for London Area
Convention at Kirkton Community Centre - October 10, 2013
THEME: "Plowing Thru' the Years" **HOSTESS:** Perth South

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE Report: Annie Isobel Tait
ELECTION of OFFICERS & INSTALLATION: Sheila Greason

PROGRAM: Pat Palmer (Shedden) Quilts

COLLECTION: Wallacetown

NEW BUSINESS:

INVITATION District Annual - May 14, 2014 - Shedden/Middlemarch

COURTESIES: Kathy Minnema

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Hymn of All Nations

This is my song, O God of all the Nations
A song of peace for lands afar and mine
This is my love, the country where my heart is
This is my hope, my dream, my shrine
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams the same as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean
And sunlight beams on clover leaf and pine
But other lands have sunlight, too, and clover
And skies are sometimes blue as mine,
Oh hear my song, then God of all the Nations
A song of peace for their land and mine.

ADJOURNMENT:

THE INSTITUTE ODE

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

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 pretense 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, and 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.

WOMEN'S 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

2013/05/15

May 15th, 2013 @ Clachan Hall
Elgin County District Annual Meeting



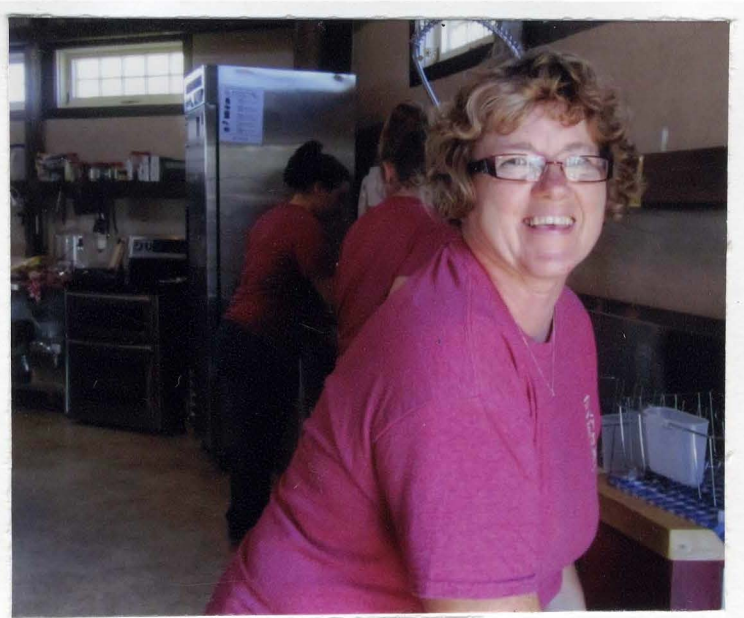
Pauline Lindsay



- Installation of 2013 W.I. Officers : Pat Palmer, Marg Carroll Annie Isobel Tait, Mary Clutterbuck, Lois Woolner, Madeleine Jenkins, Helen Van Brenk, Theressa St. Pierre, Jean Gooding



Greeters : Kathy Minnema, Louise Long



Susanne Wilkins

June Purcell, Florence McIntyre, Louise Long, Helen Mc Williams, Janet Quinton, Betty Johnston, Cathy Johnston & Helen Ocolisan

JUNE 24th, @12:30 Lunch

Place: Crazy Eight Barn, Palmyra

Program: Sue Spence

Reading: Bev Welch

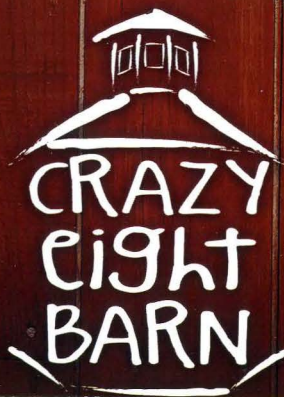
Roll Call: Recall another barn you remember.



Louise Long (in blue)



Marie Spence, Bev Welch, Brenda Silcox, Pat Palmer, Lois Woolner, Theresa St. Pierre



Ten years in the making Historic old barn becomes Chatham-Kent's newest eatery

BY JEFFREY CARTER
Today's Farmer

Susanne Wilkins had little intention of entering the restaurant trade when she decided to rescue a rare Ontario octagonal barn.

As a youngster, she remembers seeing the heritage building along Queen's Line near West Lorne while driving along Highway 401 with her family. Ten years ago she heard the former owner wanted it disposed of.

Instead of taking other offers, owner Branika Sevic gave it to Wilkins.

"I wanted to build it back up – something for our business. I didn't know exactly what I was going to do with it. I just wanted the barn."

Plans began to evolve once a location for the reconstruction and restoration was secured – the former site of the former Palmyra General Store along Highway 3 in Chatham-Kent.

"We started off with the idea of having office space and a display garden for the

landscape business. Then we thought, if people are coming here, we might as well serve coffee and then we said, we could have ice cream too."

The soup was piping hot, well-seasoned and not overly thick. Leaving the potatoes in small chunks was a nice touch.

Drew McMillan has been brought on board to head the kitchen for the Brown Bag Café at Crazy Eight Barn. The Rodney native has restaurant experience and a love of cooking.

The focus is on home-style scratch cooking.

I enjoyed an egg-salad sandwich prepared on bread baked that morning along with the soup of the day – potato-leek soup.

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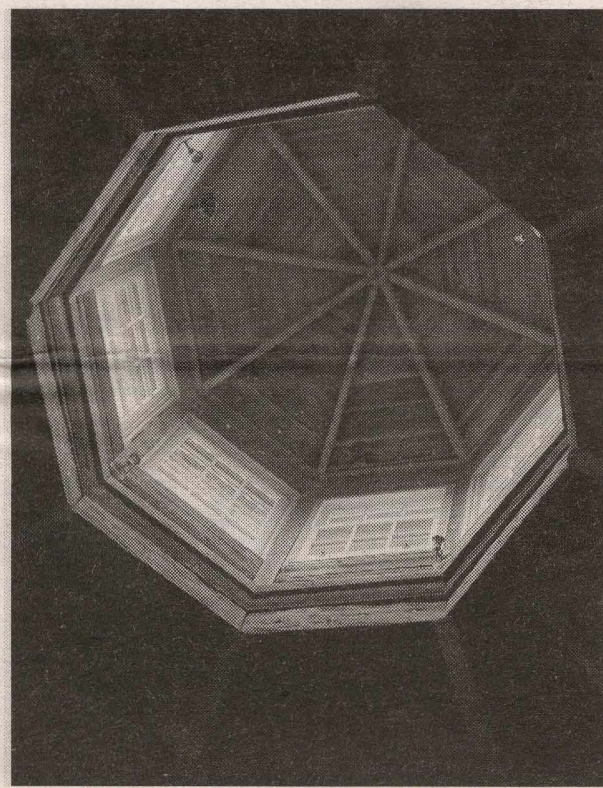


Jeffrey Carter Today's Farmer
Susanne Wilkins perches on the former front steps of the former Palmyra General Store which have been incorporated in the landscape design surrounding Crazy Eight Barn.





Jeffrey Carter Today's Farmer
Drew McMillan serves up homemade soup at Chatham-Kent's newest eaterys.



Jeffrey Carter Today's Farmer
The barn's new cupola was lifted into place with a crane.

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There was also a pulled pork sandwich on the menu that day along with muffins, salads and various sweets. Wilkins encouraged me to try ice cream sandwiched between two home-baked chocolate chip cookies but I declined – with more than a little regret.

“The Bakers left in 1880 for the Dakotas. They came back. They didn’t like the weather and this kind of barn was all the rage out there.”

Wilkins wants to add a kitchen garden and offer both gardening and home preservation lessons in the future. Along with the Brown Bag Café, there is retail space for an assortment of garden accessories, crafts, rural lifestyle items and more.

The barn, as much as the food and retail goods, is the draw for the business.

It was built in 1890 by Herbert and Charlotte Baker.

“The Bakers left in 1880 for the Dakotas. They came back. They didn’t like the weather and this kind of barn was all the rage out there.”

Reconstruction and restoration began in 2011. The business opened on May 13 this year.

“The main structural beams are original and we’ve taken parts from three or four other barns to replace what was damaged,” Wilkins said.

There are eight, original five-sided, adze-hewn pillars around the perimeter connected with beams. Another two sets of eight pillars with horizontal beams extending from the perimeter inward like spokes of a wheel support the second-storey floor.

In the original barn, there was a chute at the hub through which hay and other feed could be dropped from the second floor to the animals below. At the hub of Wilkins’ barn there’s a spiral staircase.

The staircase in itself is well worth a visit to Crazy Eight Barn. Built by



It took master builder Phil Lafreniere about three months to build the staircase.

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It took master builder Phil Lafreniere about three months to build the spiral staircase.

Phil Lafreniere of Appin, the curling outer rail and supporting stringer are composed of 10 layers of laminated ash. The inner rail and stringer with their tighter curl have 16.

Wilkins opted for two layers of wood around the perimeter beams with insulation in between. The outside is board and batten. There are plenty of windows for natural light, balconies, and outside stairs for access to the second floor.

A geothermal heating and cooling system makes the building energy efficient.

Wilkins says the folks from Palmyra and area have been especially supportive. It’s the only stop directly on Highway 3 between Wallacetown and Blenheim where food and beverages are available.

It’s open seven days a week, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday through Friday, 8 to 5 on Saturdays and 11 to 4 on Sundays.



55th Wedding Anniversary
Janet & George Quinton--Allan & Lois Woolner
April 12, 1958 July 12, 1958

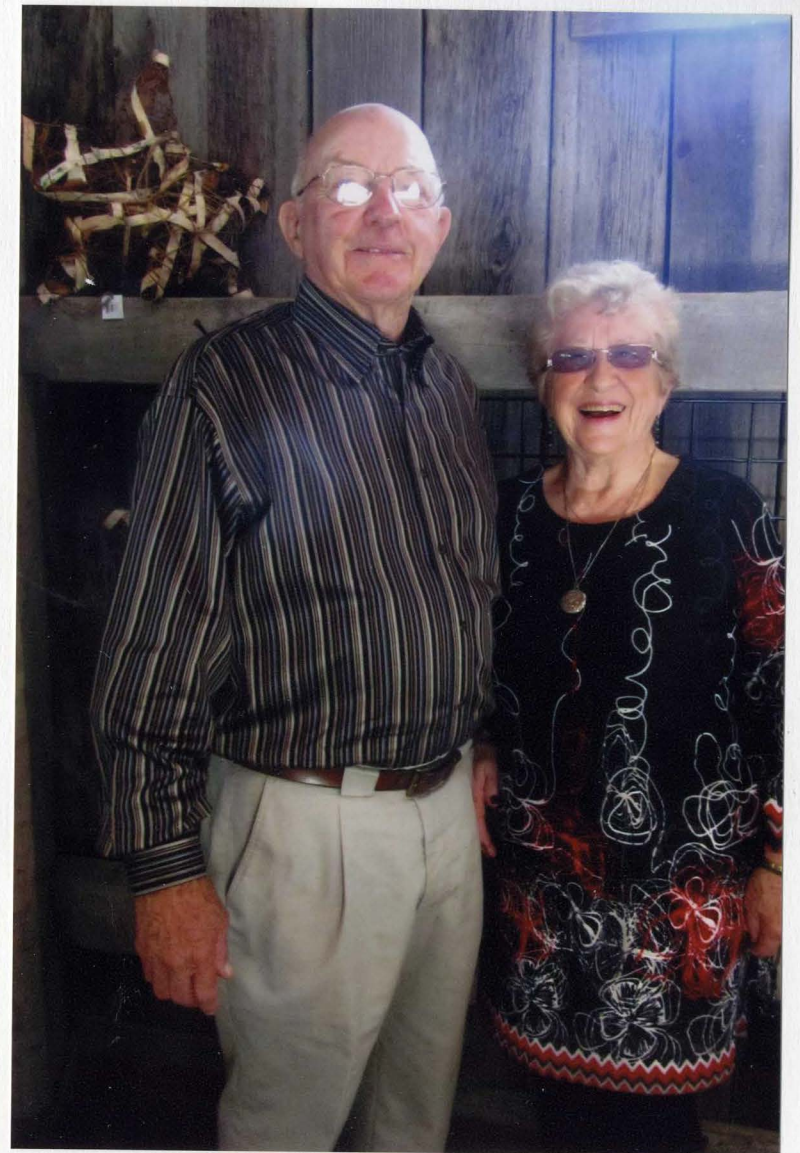


Don McPhail ,David Butler ,Gail Elliott ,Joan McPhail

Don & Joan Mc Phail's 50th Wedding Anniversary
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July 13, 1963



Jean & Neil Fleming's 60th Wedding Anniversary
August 1, 2013



Bob & Marie Spence—Bob's 80th birthday
September 11th, 2013



Bob Spence & George Quinton



Well Wishers



Cathy Johnston & Alma Johnston



Willa's 90th Birthday Party at Clachan Hall

Irene Lashbrook, Lois Woolner, Jill Soos



Well Wishers





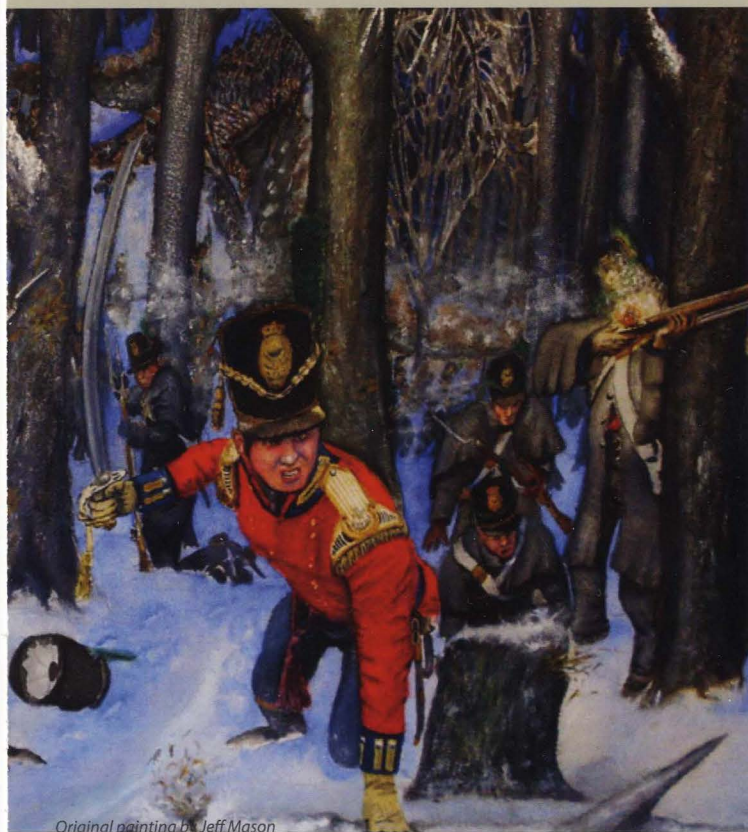
Commeration of Tecumseh, who was killed here in battle 200 yrs. ago It is now called Tecumseh Park(east) of Thamesville on Longwoods Road.

- BATTLE OF -
LONGWOODS
Bicentennial Commemoration

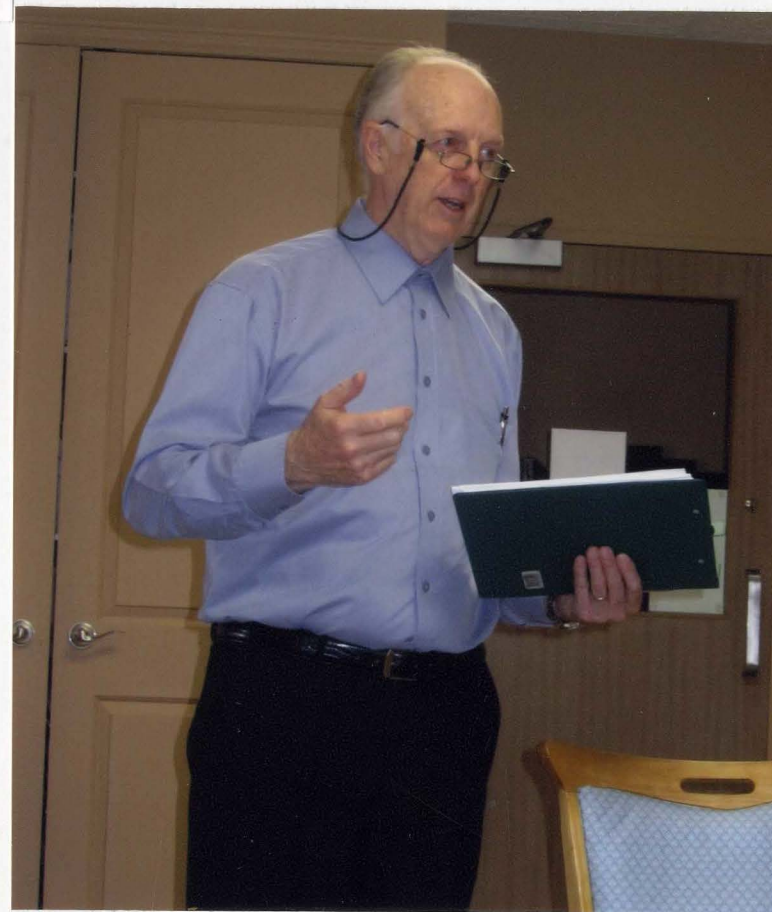
The Battle of Longwoods - the only major battle fought in Middlesex County during the War of 1812, it is 200 years later and we are celebrating in honour.

SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2014

BATTLE HILL NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE
 2945 LONGWOODS ROAD, GLENCOE



Original painting by Jeff Mason



JANUARY 27, 2013 @Clachan Hall 2:00

Program: Louise Long

Reading: Helen McWilliams

Roll Call: Bring a favourite family photo

Lunch: Louise Long, Helen McWilliams

The meeting was held at Beattie Haven, where Ken Willis spoke on the Battle of Longwoods Bicentennial Commemoration to be held on Saturday, March 8, 2014 at Battle Hill National Historic site 2945 Longwoods Road, Glencoe.



Rodney Fair Ambassador Contest, 2013
Clachan Women's Institute sponsored Chelsea Slater, a resident of Clachan.



SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2013 @Clachan Hall 7:30

Program: Bev Welch

Roll Call: Memories from a fall fair.

Reading: Louise Long

Bev (Long) Welch spoke on the devastating effects of pesticides on the bee colonies.



OCTOBER 28th, 2013 @Clachan Hall 7:30

Program: Helen McWilliams

Reading: Lois Woolner

Roll Call: If you were 14 again what career would you choose?

Lunch: Alma Johnston, Marie Spence

Theresa & John St. Pierre showed slides of their trip to Cuba



NOVEMBER 25th, 2013 @Clachan Hall 7:30

Program: Janet Quinton

Roll Call: Give a helpful hint - Bring a white gift

Reading: Kathy Johnston

Lunch: Janet Quinton, Lois Woolner

Our guest was Jill Soos, who told of her cruise down the St. Lawrence River to the Atlantic Ocean and then south along the Atlantic shoreline to the Boston area U.S.A.

Neighbours helping neighbours

Saturday, November 23, 2013 12:22:55 EST PM



Friends and neighbours pitched in to help the McIntyre family harvest their corn in West Elgin Saturday. The community realized the family needed help when the owner of the farm, Larry McIntyre died earlier this fall.



PATRICK BRENNAN The Chronicle

Neighbours pitch in

Tricia McIntyre and Katie McIntyre stand in front of grain wagons and equipment that helped harvest corn at their farm Saturday..

HARVEST PARTY THANK YOU

There is often only farm machinery painted green cruising around Larry McIntyre's fields, but on Saturday November 23rd, that was not the case. Rather, there was a sea of John Deere, Case IH, Massey, Ford etc. machinery all pulling together to get Dad's crop off. Neighbours helping neighbours is not an uncommon practice in our community, yet it was truly remarkable to see it on such a large scale. This event was a true demonstration of the selflessness that our community exudes on a regular basis only this time it was amplified immensely. As I pulled in the lane way that Saturday morning I found some 20 plus pieces of equipment and a large group of people huddled around eagerly awaiting to begin harvest. I truly cannot describe in words the feeling I had as I drove up the lane, but I know it is one I will never forget. Those unforgettable memories continued all day, as the harvest progressed and countless stories in honour of Dad were told. Firstly, we would like to thank our cousin Bill McIntyre for spearheading this event. We would also like to thank; Thompson's Ltd for providing lunch, and everyone who brought appetizers, snacks, entrees, desserts and drinks for dinner, everyone who supplied machinery and labour to complete the actual harvest and everyone who came to offer us their support during this difficult time. The thanks that need to be given to everyone involved, not only on the day of our Dad's harvest, but throughout this whole ordeal are truly endless.

Wayne and Katie McIntyre

RODNEY -

When the community knows it's time to pitch in, the neighbours are ready to help.

That was the scene Saturday at the McIntyre farm on Johnston Line in West Elgin where a crew of eight combines, plus grain wagons and grain trucks to haul the harvest showed up to get a field of corn cut.

The McIntyre family needed help this year when the owner of the farm, Larry McIntyre died earlier this fall.

With 210 acres of corn out in the field and harvest time upon the community, McIntyre's nephew, Bill McIntyre organized a work bee Saturday to get the crop in.

A convoy of neighbours with combines, grain wagons and other equipment came to the property and had the corn off the field after a full morning of work under late fall conditions where the skies stayed blue and the threat of snow did not show up.

"We were getting to the end of harvesting season," explains Bill, who farms just down the road on Johnston Line.

His calls for help were answered by a combination of friends, family and neighbours.

Those who weren't in the field on machinery were in buildings on the property, keeping food and coffee hot for the crew.

Bill said he had no problem getting other farmers to lend a hand.

"I had people calling and offering to help," he said. "I was turning so much help away, we were getting so much equipment offered."

FRUITS—Acorns and Similar-appearing Fruit



Burr Oak 52



Swamp White Oak 52



Black Oak 52



Scarlet Oak 52



Red Oak 52



Chestnut Oak 52



White Oak 52



Pin Oak 52

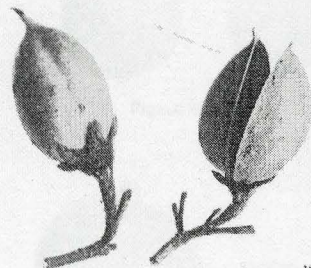


Willow Oak 52



Persimmon 115

This is not an acorn. It has no cup and does not have a shell. The Persimmon is edible and juicy, but shouldn't be eaten until ripe, as it is very astringent.

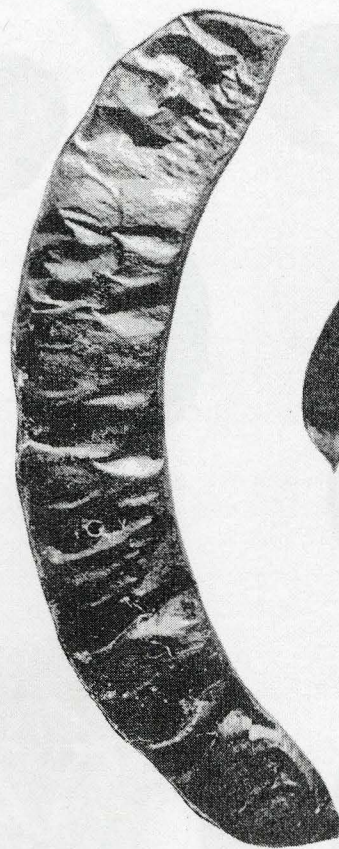


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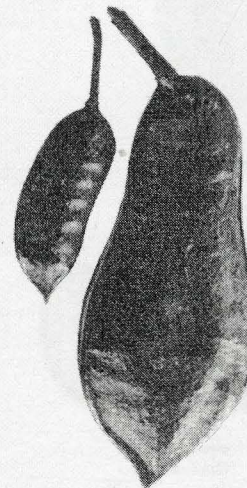
winged seeds

This is not a nut, but might be mistaken for one. Actually, it is a pod, which contains many tiny winged seeds.

FRUIT—Pods



Honey Locust 82



Kentucky Coffee Tree 84

Catalpa 124



FEBRUARY 24th, 2013 @Clachan Hall 2:00

Program: Lois Woolner

Roll Call: Pending

Reading: Alma Johnston

Lunch: Lois Woolner, Janet Quinton

FRUITS—Acorns and Similar-appearing Fruit



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White Oak 52



Pin Oak 52

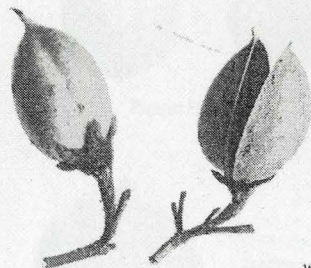


Willow Oak 52



Persimmon 115

This is not an acorn. It has no cup and does not have a shell. The Persimmon is edible and juicy, but shouldn't be eaten until ripe, as it is very astringent.



Paulownia 122

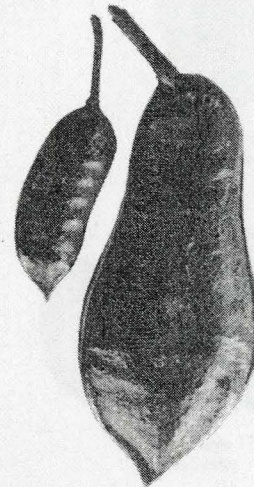
This is not a nut, but might be mistaken for one. Actually, it is a pod, which contains many tiny winged seeds.

winged seeds

FRUIT—Pods



Honey Locust 82



Kentucky Coffee Tree 84

Catalpa 124



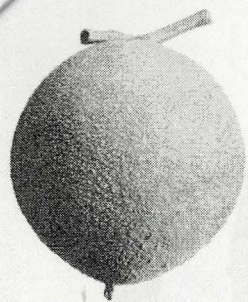
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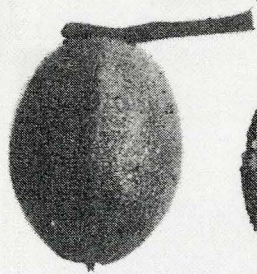
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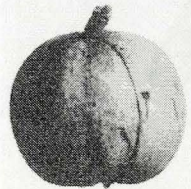
FRUIT—Nuts



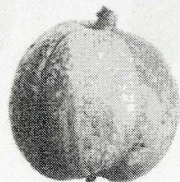
Black Walnut 38



Butternut or White Walnut 38



Shagbark Hickory 34



Mockernut Hickory 34



Bitternut Hickory 34

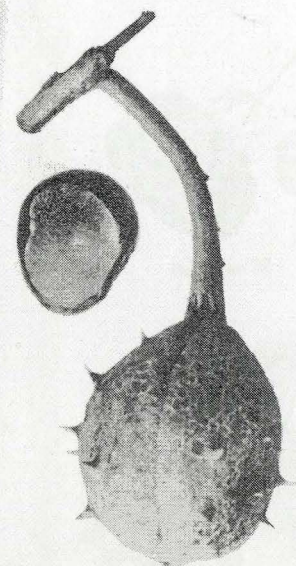


Pignut Hickory 34

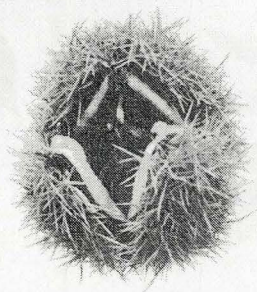


Pecan 34

Nuts



Horsechestnut 106



American Chestnut 49



Sweet Buckeye 106
(thick husk)

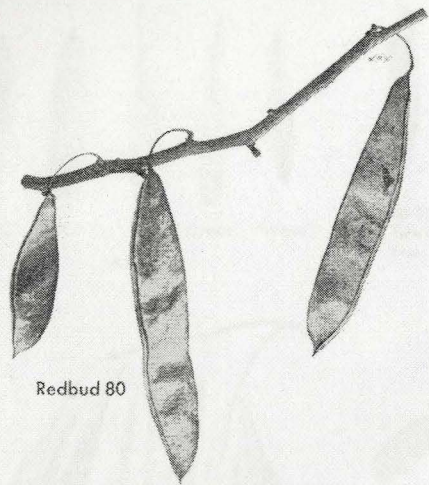


Ohio Buckeye 106
(thin husk)

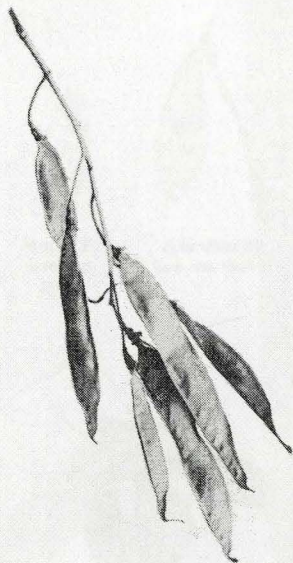


Beech 48

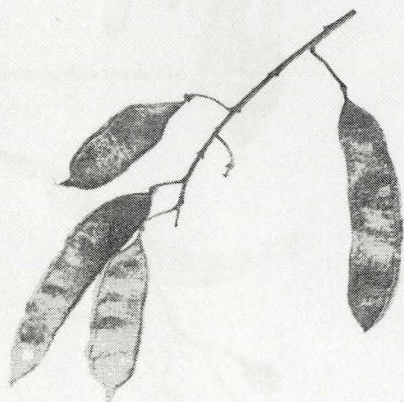
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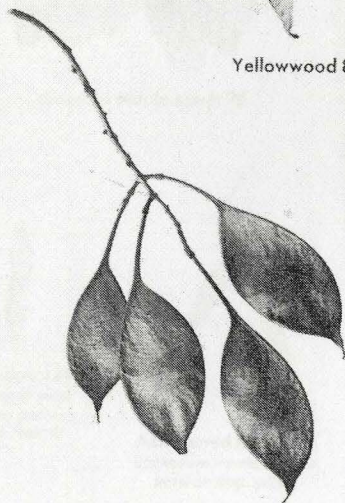
Redbud 80



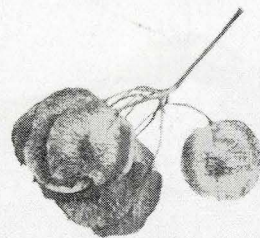
Yellowwood 86



Common or Black Locust 81



Swamp Locust 82



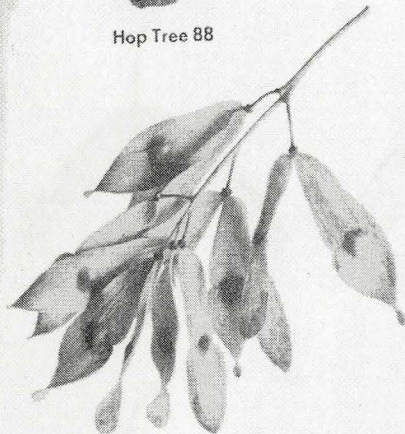
Hop Tree 88



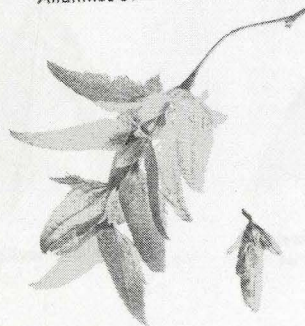
Slippery Elm 42



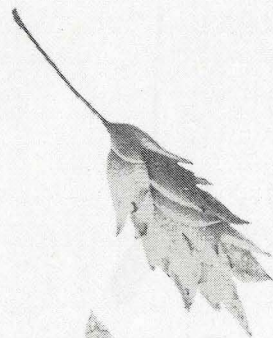
American Elm 42



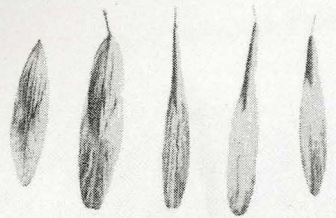
Ailanthus 89



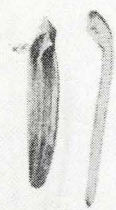
Hornbeam 50



Hop Hornbeam 51



Blue Black Red Green White
Ash 116



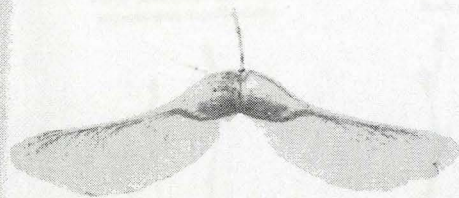
Tulip Tree 68
(see also Fruit 14)



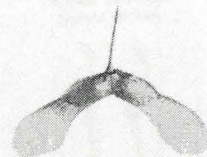
Maple 96
(see opp. page)



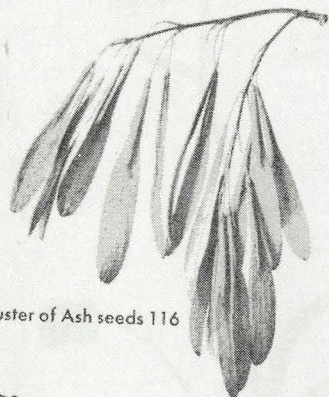
Ailanthus 89
(see also Fruit 4)



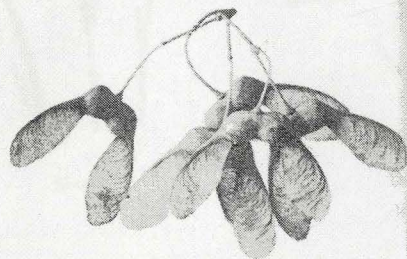
Norway Maple 96



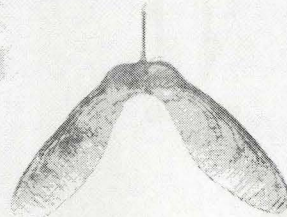
Striped Maple 96



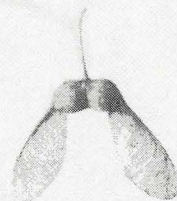
cluster of Ash seeds 116



cluster of Maple seeds 96



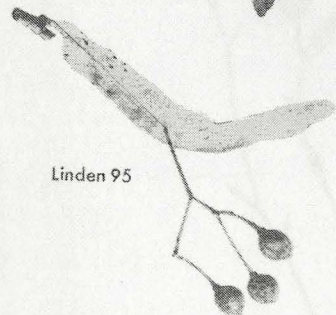
Sycamore Maple 96



Sugar Maple 96



Mountain Maple 96



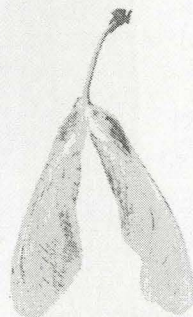
Linden 95



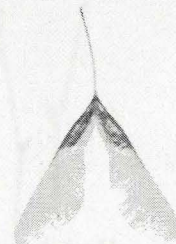
Catalpa 124
(winged seed from pod—see Fruit 4)



Ash-leaved Maple 96
(immature—note mature seed on opp. page)



Silver Maple 96



Ash-leaved Maple 96
(or Box Elder)

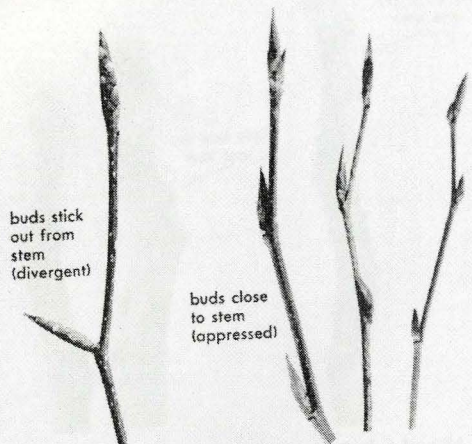


Red Maple 96

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sharp, long, narrow buds



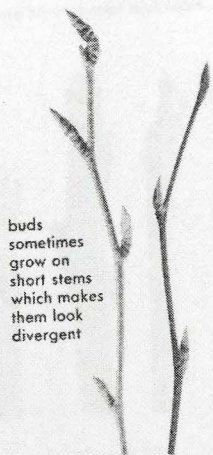
buds stick out from stem (divergent)

buds close to stem (appressed)

Beech 48

Shadbush 79

sharp but thicker buds



buds sometimes grow on short stems which makes them look divergent

Birch 44

twigs and small branches smooth and usually shiny



Chestnut 49

bright-red buds



Linden 95

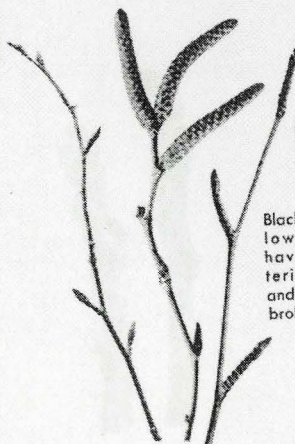
tipped end-bud typical of Elm



American Elm 42

Persimmon 115

note catkins



Birch 44

shiny buds

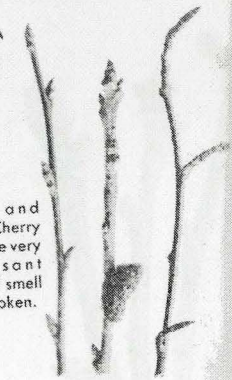
sharp but not long and narrow buds

Black and Yellow Birches have characteristic taste and smell when broken.



Poplar 28

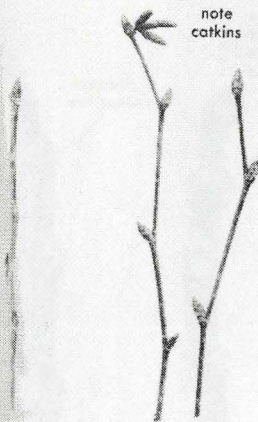
Black and Choke Cherry twigs have very unpleasant taste and smell when broken.



Cherry 76

Notice tent caterpillar egg mass on middle twig. This is typical of Cherry Tree

note catkins

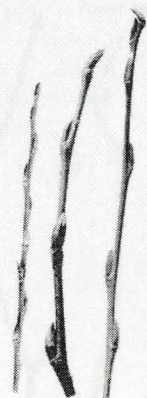


Poplar 28

Hop Hornbeam 51



Hornbeam 50

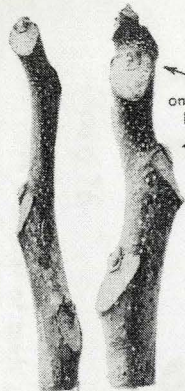


Willow 25

TW 4

TW 5

these both have large leaf scars



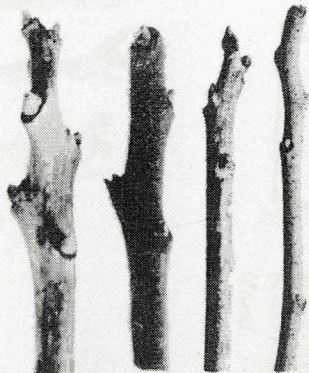
Ailanthus 89

one bud over leaf scar



Kentucky Coffee Tree 84

two buds over leaf scar



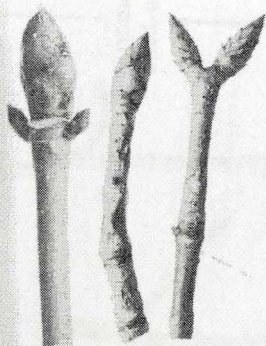
Sumac 90

these have smaller leaf scars

OPPOSITE—Growth (see Key #1)
Notice opposite buds, apparent on all but Dogwood, Catalpa and Paulownia

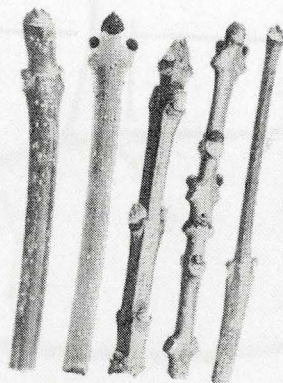
buds sticky

buds not sticky

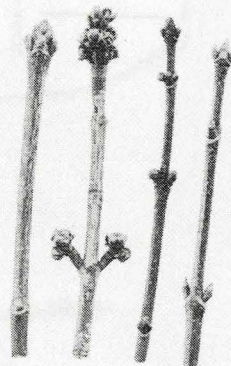


Horsechestnut 106

Buckeyes 106

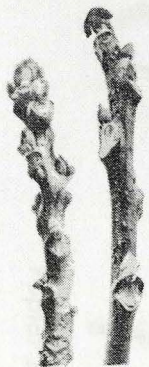


Ash 116

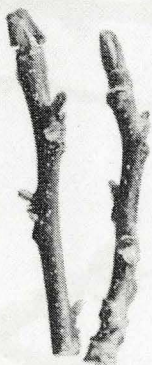


Maple 96

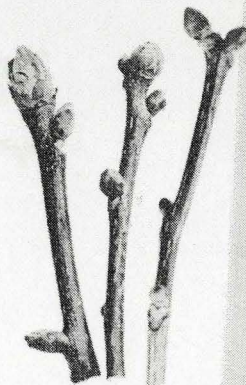
TW 2



Black Walnut 38



Butternut 38
(or White Walnut)



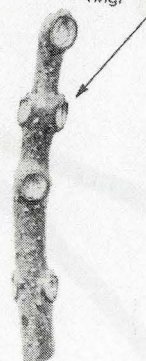
Hickory 34

whorls of three leaf scars (the third one on other side of twig)



Paulownia 122

opposite leaf scars

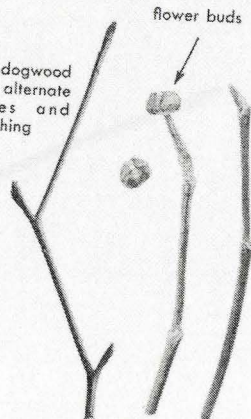


Catalpa 124



Nannyberry 127

only dogwood with alternate leaves and branching

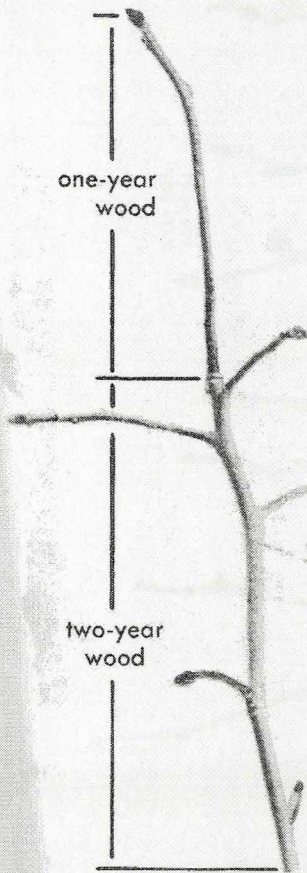


Alternate-leaved Dogwood

Flowering Dogwood

Dogwood 113

TW 3

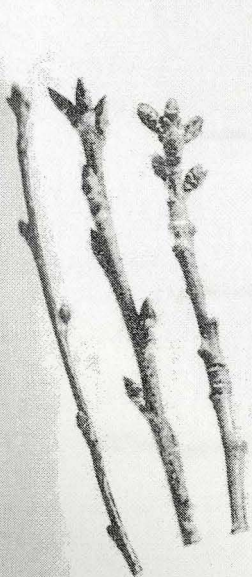


Tupelo 110
 This type of growth is typical: new twigs branching off two-year wood.

all one-year wood



Sassafras 70
 Smooth, olive-green, aromatic twig. This is the exception to normal growth characteristics: side twigs often grow from the new (one-year) wood.



Cherry 76



Oak 52



Poplar 28

TW
1

These trees often have a cluster of buds at the ends of the twigs. Very typical of Oaks. Cherry twigs have a disagreeable odor. Poplar buds are often very sticky.



Black Locust
81



Honey Locust
82



Hop Tree
88



Sourwood
114



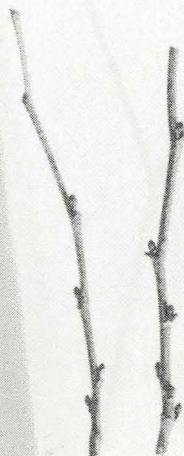
Hawthorn
73



Hackberry
41



Osage Orange
62



Redbud
80



Persimmon
115



Slippery Elm
42



Pawpaw
63



Willow
25



Cherry
76

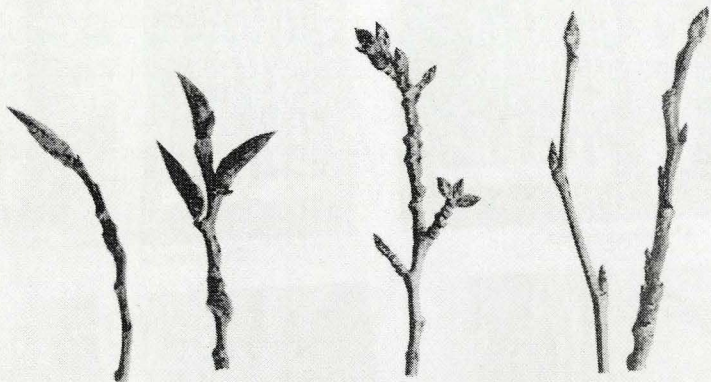


Mulberry
60

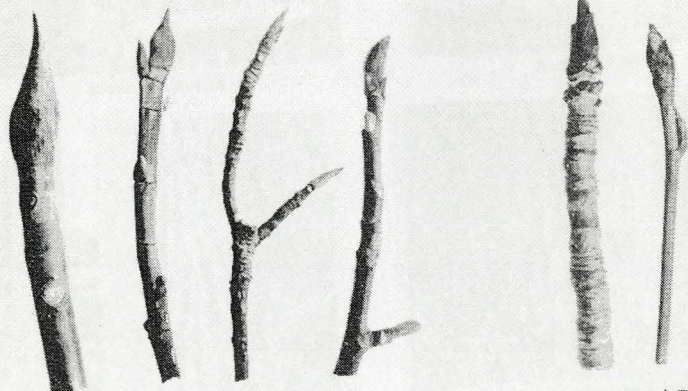
TW
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TW
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Poplar 28



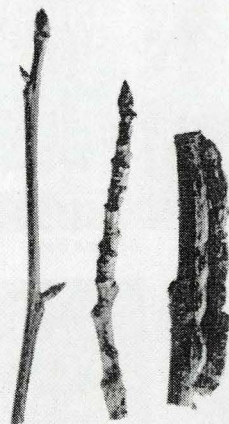
Magnolia 64

Mountain Ash 74

typically
zigzag

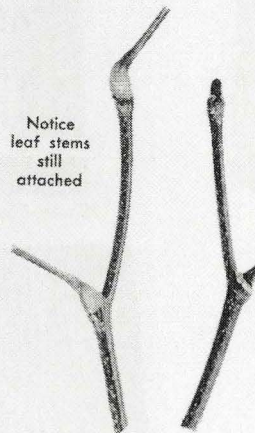


Tulip Tree 68



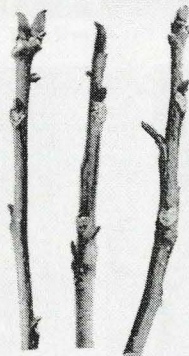
Sweet Gum 71

Notice
leaf stems
still
attached



Yellowwood 86

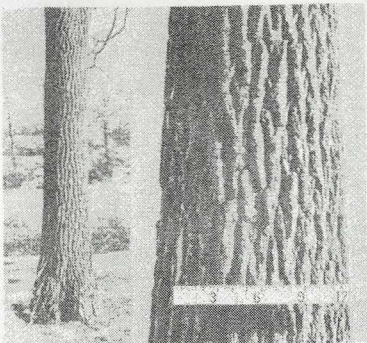
distinctive yellow buds



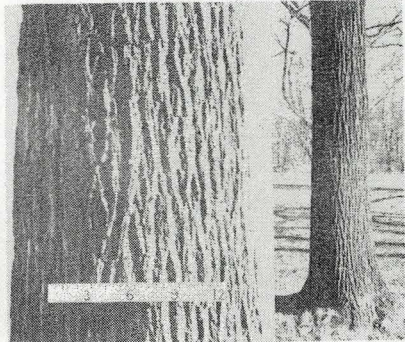
Hickory 34

Sycamore 72

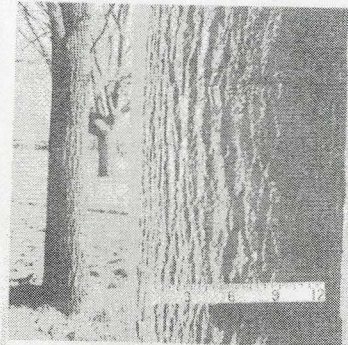
Note: The leaf stems of Sycamore and Yellowwood grow completely over the buds. The Sycamore leaf drops completely in the fall, the Yellowwood leaf stem often remains for some time after the leaflets have fallen off it.



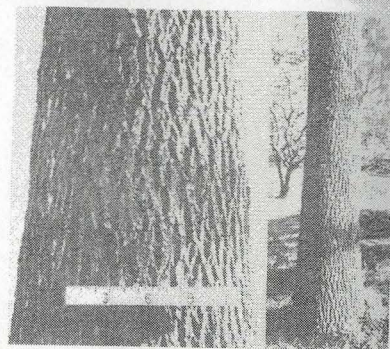
Sassafras 70



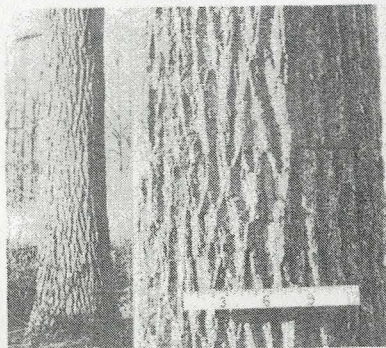
American Elm 42



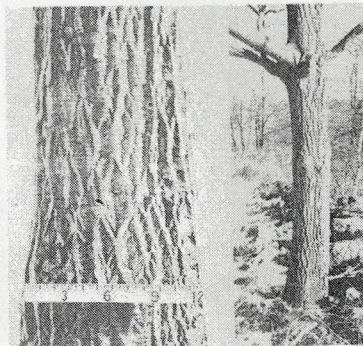
Linden 95



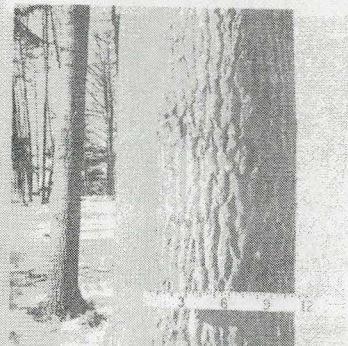
Red Ash 116



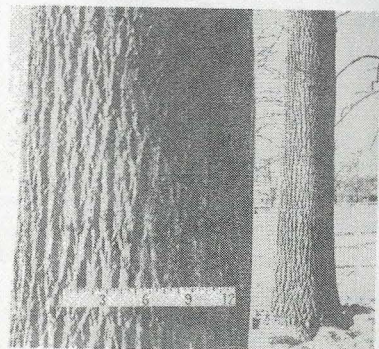
Black Walnut 38



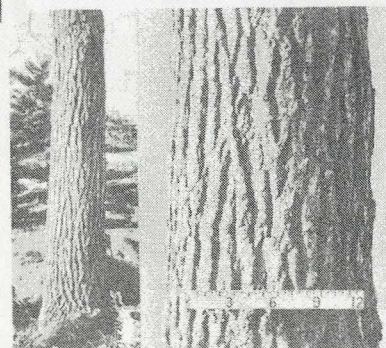
Butternut 38



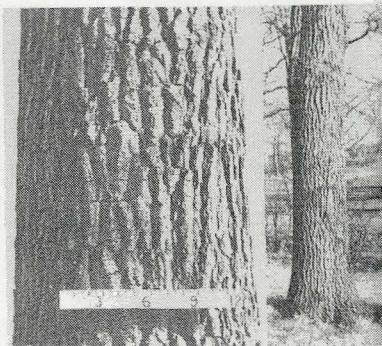
Large-toothed Poplar 28



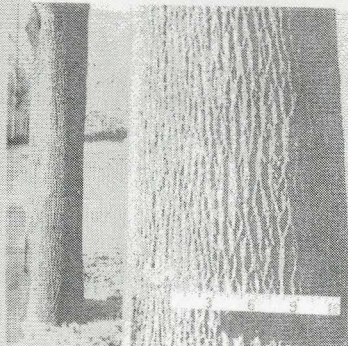
Tulip Tree 68



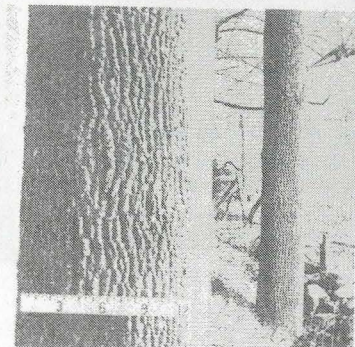
Tupelo 110



Swamp White Oak 52



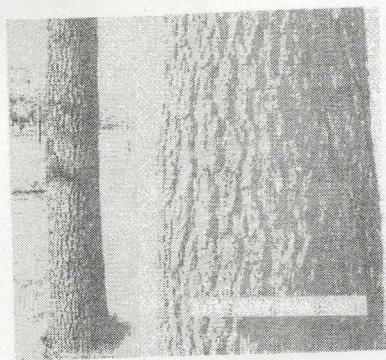
Norway Maple 96



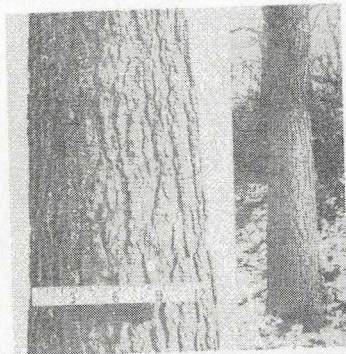
White Ash 116

BK
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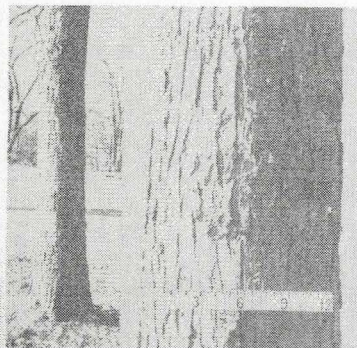
BK
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Black Walnut 38



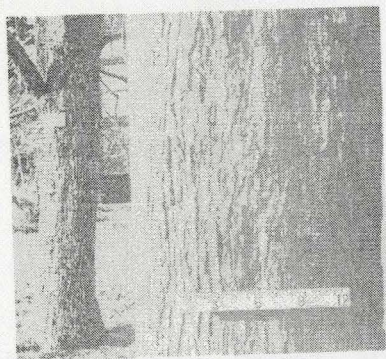
Sweet Gum 71



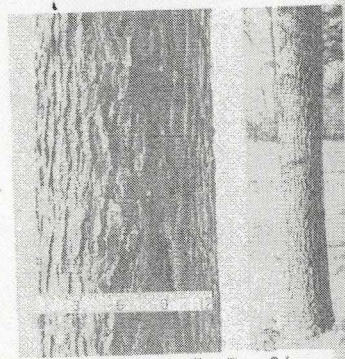
Silver Maple 96



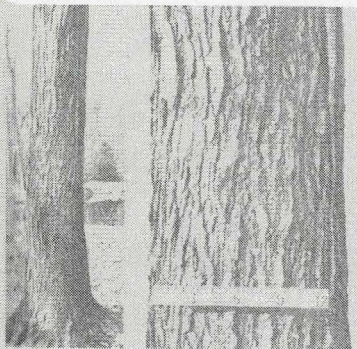
Horsechestnut 106



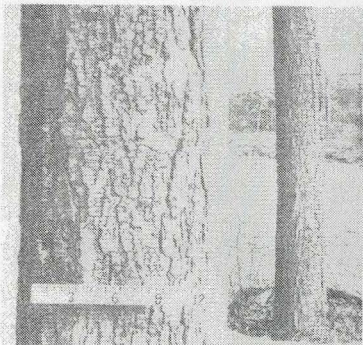
Magnolia 64 (Cucumber Tree)



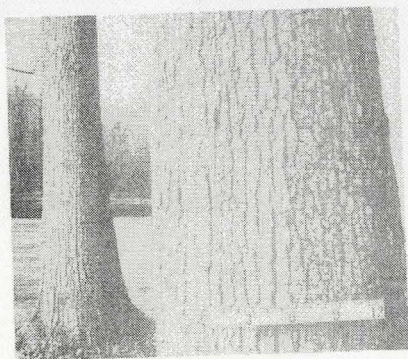
Kentucky Coffee Tree 84



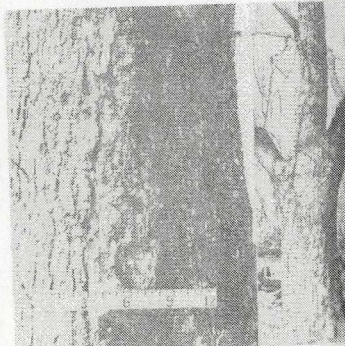
Red Maple 96



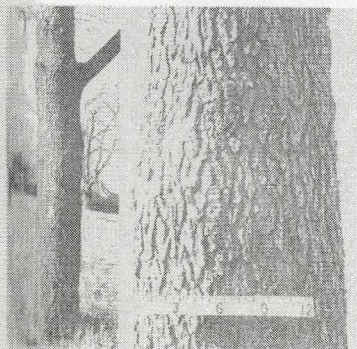
Black Birch 44



Catalpa 124



Blue Ash 116



Black Cherry 76



MARCH 24TH, 2013 @Clachan Hall 2:00

Program: Alma Johnston

Reading: June Purcell

Roll Call: Favourite Recipe

Lunch: Alma Johnston, June Purcell

Leslie Latchford spoke on behalf of VON in Middlesex County on Alzheimer and dementia.



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OUR GALLERY

Visit the lower level to see paintings in oil, watercolour, acrylic, and pastels as well as prints and photography by more than 36 artists.

There are also crafts such as hand-spun, woven, and knitted articles, wood carvings, quilts, and jewellery.

Artifacts, archives, many local history books, donated pictures and stories of the past about this area are also on display.

Tonight in the gallery the featured artist is Janet Quinton who lives near Rodney. Janet's oil paintings capture your attention to her precise detail in replicas of scenes, homes, animals, and birds. This month Janet's work is displayed in one special area of the gallery.

Featured Artist—Janet (Campbell) Quinton

Janet was first introduced to oil painting as a teenager when she spent a summer with her great aunt Effie Laing in Rodney. She had broken her collar bone so she needed someone to stay with her. She gave Janet a canvas, oil paints, and brushes and guided her first attempt. It was fun and didn't turn out too badly.

After high school, Janet became a teacher. Then she married George and settled on the farm north of Rodney. After their first son was born, she took art classes for a couple of winters from Jack Ferguson, a commercial artist in New York, who returned back to his home farm on Hwy. 3. Four more children came along, so now family life took up most of her time, although Janet did supply teaching during this period.

It wasn't until all of the children had left home that she took up painting again, with Susan Peternell as instructor. It is something Janet enjoys doing, especially when some of her grandchildren want her to show them how to paint and they are showing some real talent.



WILDERNESS OF MANITOBA



Something special happens when the five members of this band play together. This folk rock band of multi-instrumentalists evokes a "rust coloured rural feel" even though they are Toronto-based.

Wilderness of Manitoba's first EP "Hymns of Love and Spirits" was released in 2009 and their second full length album "When You Left the Fire" in 2010. After two years of touring Europe, Canada, and United States, their third album "Island of Echoes" was released.

They have been nominated for 2 Canadian Folk Music Awards—for "Pushing the Boundaries Award" and "Vocal Group of the Year" The awards ceremony will be held in Calgary on November 10th.

Clachan Women's Institute



March 10, 2014

Dear Friends and former W.I members,

We, the members of the Clachan Women's Institute, would like to invite you to our 100th Anniversary Celebration to be held on Saturday, ~~April 26~~, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. in the Clachan Community Hall. May 3

We would appreciate it if you could let us know by April 12 if you are able to attend our celebration. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please contact either of the following:

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Katherine Johnston
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Sincerely,
Clachan W.I.

Clachan Women's Institute

100th Anniversary

1914-2014



Saturday May 3, 2014



Clachan 2014 Members: F. row- Bev Welch, Louise Long, Florence McIntyre. B. row- Marie Spence, Cathy Johnston, Betty Johnston, Janet Quinton, Helen McWilliams, Alma Johnston, Lois Woolner

Program

Presidents Welcome - Lois Woolner

O Canada

Introduction of Members - Kathy Johnston

Introduction of Dignitaries

MP Joe Preston

MPP Jeff Yurek

Warden David Marr

Mayor of West Elgin Bernie Wiehle

WI District President Mary Ann Caughell

*Entertainment - St John's Presbyterian Church
Choir*

Our History (slide show)

Tweedsmuir History - Janet Quinton

*Entertainment - St John's Presbyterian Church
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Institute Grace - Louise Long

Refreshments

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Elgin County District W.I.

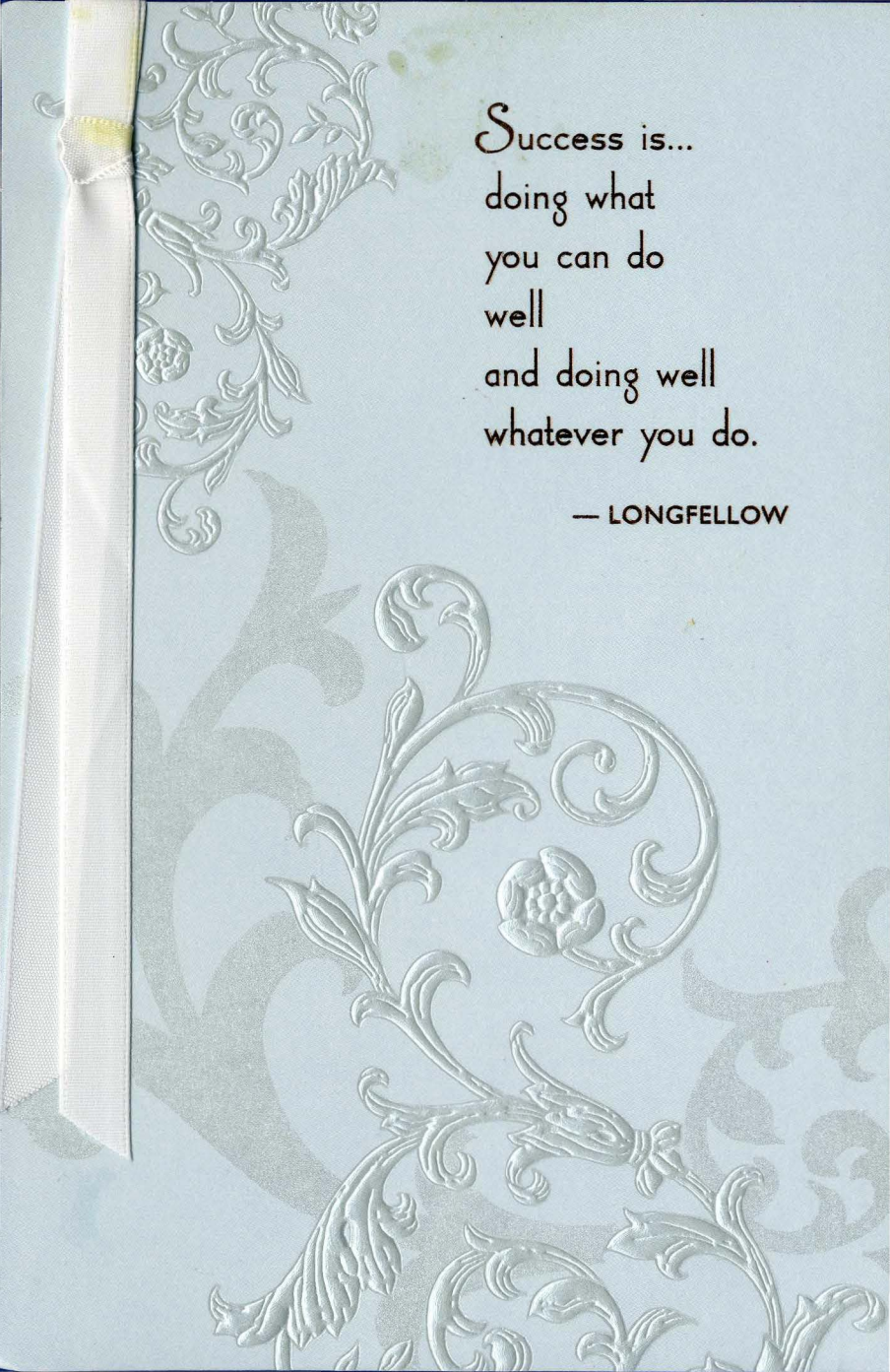
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Wallacetown W.I.

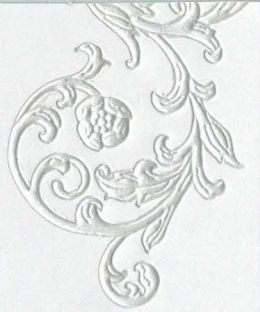


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on your
100th year
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on your wonderful achievement,
and best wishes for the future.

Congratulations

Elgin County
District
Women's Institute





Happy 100th Anniversary
Clachan N.S.



Thank you, for inviting us to
celebrate this special occasion.
You, ladies, have done a
wonderful job in your Institute.
It's wonderful to see your
smiling faces. All the Best
your twin - Shedden N.S.



Dear Members of Clackam Women's Institute

Congratulations on your 100th Anniversary W. I. Group.

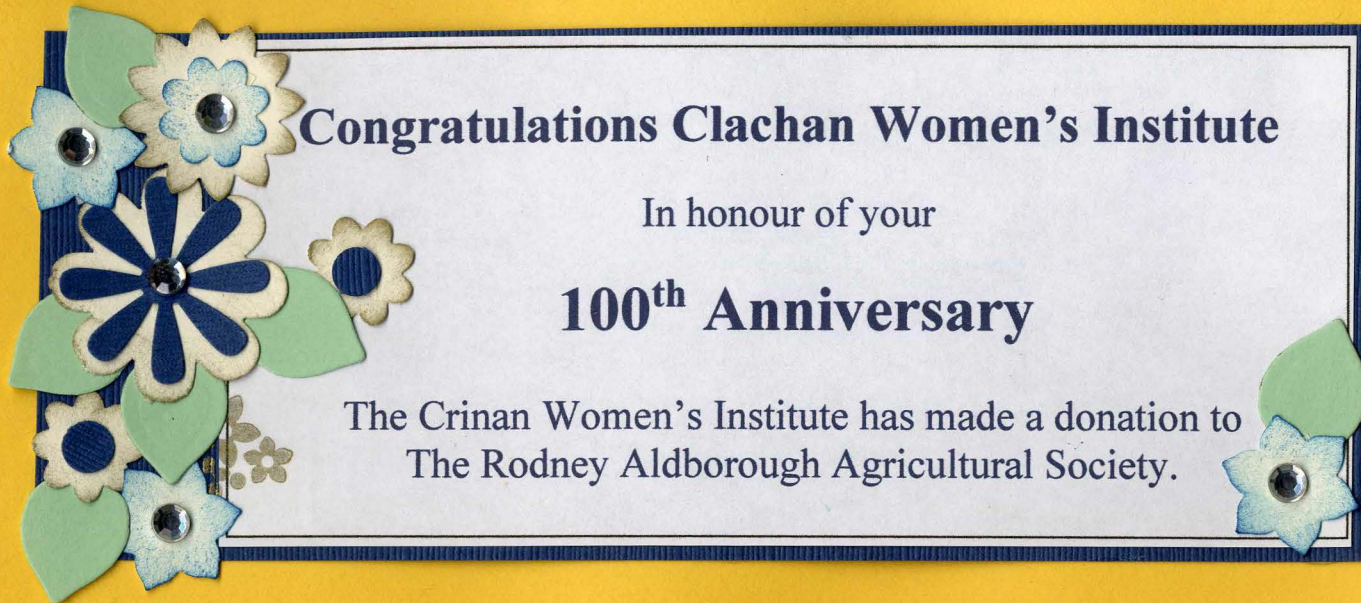
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Sincere Best Wishes from
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Louie Lackey
Treasurer.



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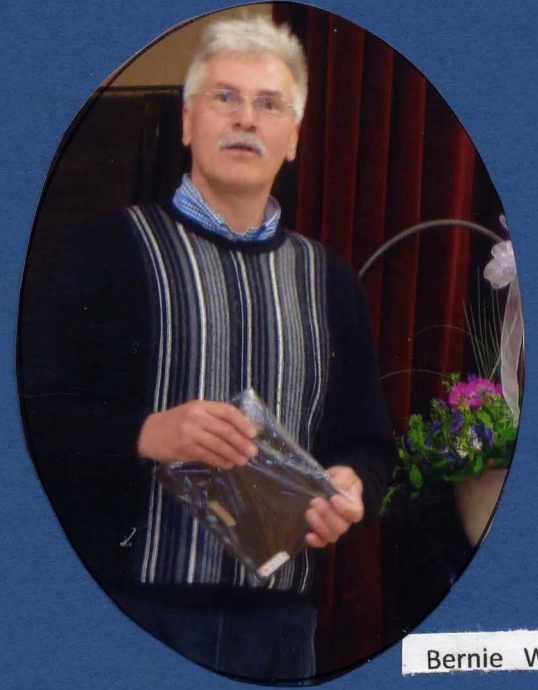
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St. John's Canada.

November 10th

My dear Miss Ashton.

Please convey to
the Women's Institute my
thanks for the parcel
sent me.

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first class condition
and we enjoyed every
thing in it.

Yours sincerely
D. Hillman

France Dec 13th 17

Dear Miss Ashton.

The parcel sent me
by the Clachan Women's
Institute arrived in
first class condition
and is very much
appreciated.

Please convey to the
Institute my thanks also
my best wishes.

Yours sincerely
D. Hillman

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Miss Lena Ashton.

Bothwell
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Canada.



Shorncliffe Dec 9th/57

Dear Friends of the Womens
Institute of E. Lachan

It gives me great pleasure
to mail you a few lines
in reply to the parcel you
were so kind to send me
and of which I greatly enjoyed
It is a great treat to get a
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and especially from my
old home and birth place
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this land of struggle but
I am not in the fight

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just now but do not know
how soon I will be again
but I trust I may never
be where the shot and shell
falls again as it is almost
unbearable it is a misery
how we live through it at all
I will close for this time
Thanking you for your
kind gift as it is greatly
needed the socks and tobacco
especially wishing you a
Merry Xmas and a happy new
year and lots of them and
future success to no end
I remain your soldier's friend
E. Long

no
Lachan's
Miss Lena Ashton
R.R. 43
Bathurst
New South
Wales

9

The writing pad I'm using the same way we've used some of the German artillery and shells. After becoming owners of them we turned them around and fired them back at them, and I'm writing this letter with the pencil and pad which was included in the parcel. The prepared chocolate made an excellent hot drink and I filled two mess tins with water, built a fire and heated them up and the boys of the section I belong to all stood up and we drank a toast to the ladies of the Clachan Womens Institute. As there was some powder left, next night we made some more and drank to the health of the fair secretary. We were each given two pairs of socks on the 19th of Oct. which were home knit and some of them

Somewhere In France

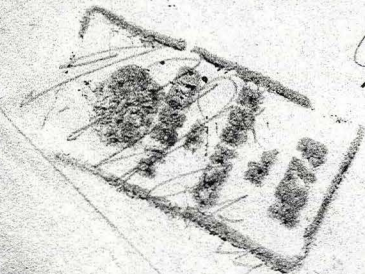
My Dear Friend -

The parcel you sent me arrived a few days ago and it was a pleasant surprise to me, to receive one from the Clachan Womens Institute, as I have not been around the old neighborhood much, for so long, that it was almost more than I expected, and I sincerely thank you for your kindness. Everything came in the best of condition, just as good as the day it was packed and it was all lovely and very toothsome, that is the tins, and the socks, towel and soap were also very welcome. I have seven pairs of home made socks now, two sweaters three pairs of gloves and two sleeping caps, one smaller than the other. Its wear under the steel helmet in cold weather.

On Active Service



Miss Lena Ashton,
R. F. D.,
Bothwell,
Ontario,
Canada.



contained notes in the toes with the address of the ones who knitted them and the boys who got them wrote back to let them know their socks arrived here safely. As this part of the country is very low and marshy we have to change socks quite often to keep our feet from getting sore.

I just had a letter from Elsie telling me of poor Fred Meyers and that is the first news I heard of him for a long while. You perhaps know of Douglas Brinson of Wendsville being wounded on Oct. 1st. He came over the same time as I to France and so did Jim Kennedy and Will Haywood and Orville Ross. They are either with the 43rd or 31st and I haven't seen them since last August. Jim Kennedy this is

with the 1st and in No 15 Platoon while I am in No 16. Jim got a letter from Douglas telling him he got a machine gun bullet in his leg and was getting along nicely in the hospital in England.

(My address is Pte Harvey Worlner 3131757

W.D. Coy. 1st Canadian Infantry
Battalion B.E.F. France.)

We are out for a rest just now and it is at these times our mail is distributed and we have all been getting quite a lot this last week.

Thanking you again for the lovely parcel which I greatly appreciated I will close. Yours Sincerely
Harvey Worlner



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Dec 10th

Miss Lena Ashton

R.R.#2 Bothwell Port

Dear Miss,

It is with great pleasure that I am writing to you now and I wish to express my sincere thanks for that parcel you so kindly sent to me.

It is very lonesome when one does not receive any letters over here and a letter always cheers the boys up. We have read of that awful disaster which occurred in Halifax and every one here extends their sympathy to that notable place. I don't suppose you would know

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to a close wishing you the very best of luck and a bright and Happy New Year

Yours Sincerely
Friend

William Brown



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For the past century, the Clachan WI has worked to advance the well-being and status of women and their families by offering a wide range of programs and services suited to their changing needs.

I commend the members of the Clachan WI on the positive difference you have made in the lives of your fellow citizens. This milestone offers you an excellent opportunity to reflect upon your organization's proud history and accomplishments, while celebrating the ties of friendship and mutual aid that have been the cornerstone of its success.

Please accept my best wishes for a memorable centennial celebration and for every success in the years to come.

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*Member of Parliament
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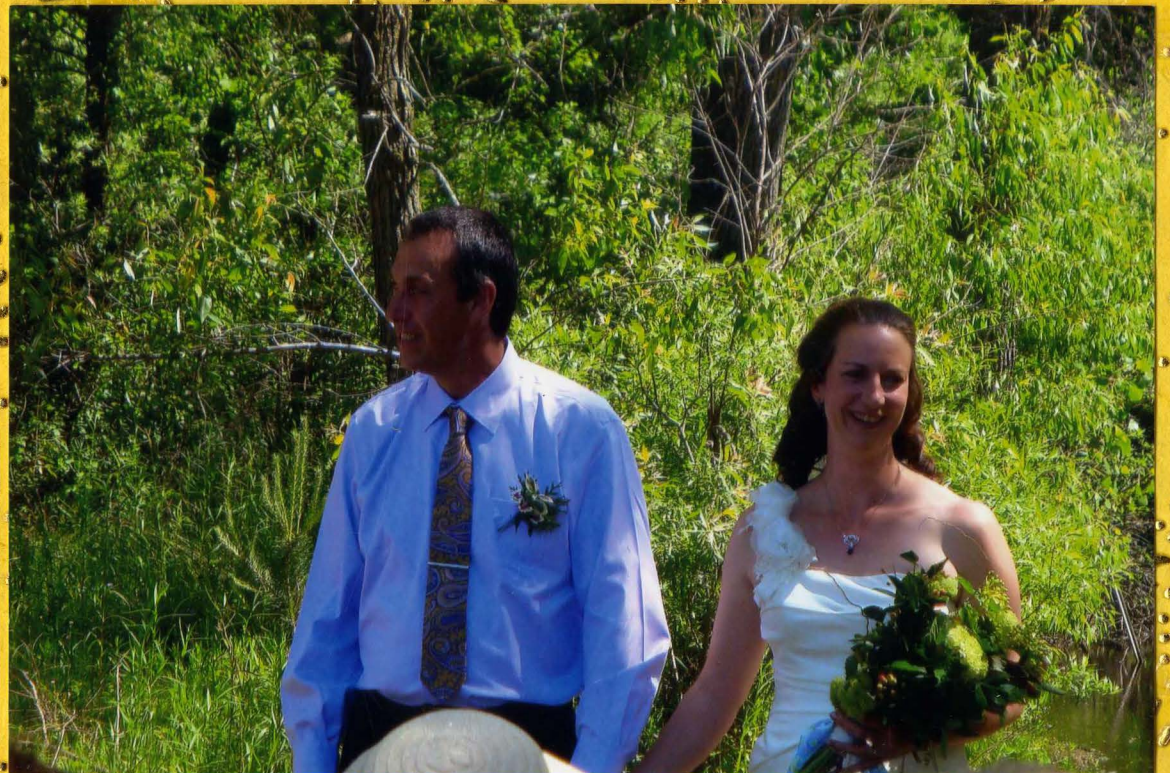


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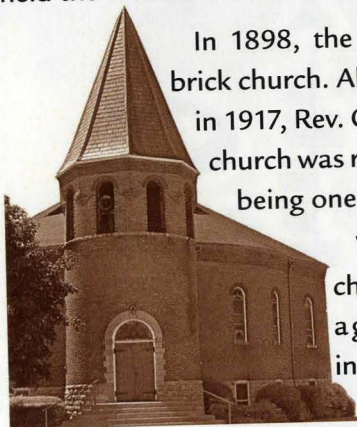
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Ennis has been touring since 2013, writing new material, and taking some rejuvenating time off to refresh their talents. After performing for 18 months, Ennis came to discover their sound has been formed deeply by the landscape and mood of Newfoundland, making them a real local treasure. Their music tells of stories entrenched in the genetics of Irish culture. They know it takes a tremendous amount of work to succeed in the music industry and their dedication is evident. Ennis, simply put, carries on a beautiful musical tradition all the while receiving inspiration from their source in the landscapes of alluring Newfoundland. The secret is out and performing with the likes of Jane Arden, Mary Black and The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band has charged their loyalty to their craft. For more information, visit <http://ennismusic.com/site/>

Story by Mona Natvik on behalf of The Mary Webb Centre.

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On display and for sale are paintings in oil, watercolour, and pastels as well as prints and great photography. We have works by over 35 artists and crafters. You will find hand-spun, woven, and hand knitted articles, wood carvings, quilts and jewelry. Artifacts, archives, many local history books, pictures and stories of the past about this area are also on display. As well, we serve tea and goodies on Thursday afternoons and light refreshments during concert intermissions.

Tonight in the Gallery, the *Feature Artist* is Rudy Zubler. Rudy is the owner of a local dairy farm who takes terrific photographs. Be sure to view them in the Feature Artist area in the Gallery.

Rudy Zubler

Intrepid farmer, grass and root philosopher, indigenous-in-training.

While the other animals are “beings”, we humans are actually “becomings”. “The environment” is an artificial construction of the conquering mind; once we truly respect it, we will stop talking about it.

Born out of sheer curiosity about my world around 30 years ago, my photographic explorations have taken me inside my own mind as well as out onto different continents - “The camera looks both ways”. It is my conviction that art, science and spirituality are essentially different, but inseparable and equally important ways of seeking harmony, and wholeness, within and without our selves.



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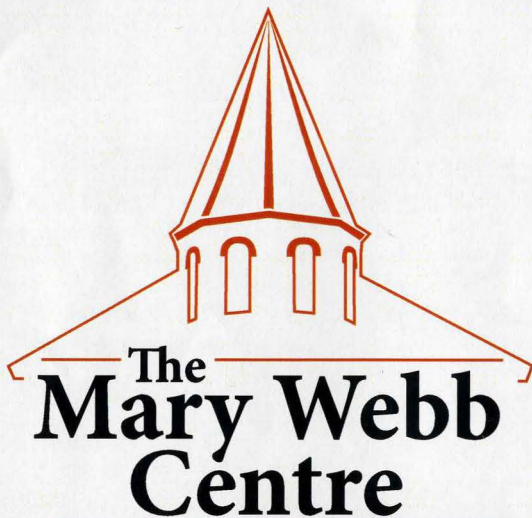
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World war and Pte. Peace



JAMES REANEY

MY LONDON

As we reflect on Remembrance Day, it's good to recall the stories of such heroes as an Elgin County soldier named Earl Russell Peace.

Peace was 5-foot-8 and 18 with dark brown hair when he enlisted on Dec. 3, 1915.

Details about him reached My London via Cameron Paton, a friend who discovered a family photograph of two boys, his father, Sandy, and uncle, Glenn, flanking Peace.

The photo likely dates from the spring of 1916 and may have been taken at what was then the Paton family farm near Wardsville.

It's a remarkable image of Peace, who is not much taller than Glenn, aged about nine, or even Sandy, who was just seven. Peace has a hand on the shoulder of each lad, protective and adult even if was really not so much more than a kid himself.

Of course, Peace was more than that. He was soon on his



Courtesy Cameron Paton

This family photograph likely dates from spring 1916. It shows a young soldier, Earl Russell Peace, flanked by two farm boys from the Wardsville area, Sandy Paton, left, and Glenn Paton.

way to fight in the First World War.

He is counted here as an Elgin County soldier because the young Highgate farmer listed his grandmother, Annie Gilbert of Rodney, as his next of kin.

He joined the Canadian Expeditionary Force's 91st Battalion, Elgin County's own overseas battalion. Some of its soldiers were from outside the county, but most were from Elgin. It had been formed in October 1915, just two months before Peace enlisted, and left for Britain in June 1916.

The Rodney Legion branch kept details on Peace.

When he was seriously wounded at Fresnoy in 1917, it was a St. Thomas newspaper reporting that news.

Even with just those details, Peace's story makes him as one private standing for the many farm boys from the London region who went off to fight in Europe in both world wars. We should remember their courage and their sacrifices.

Significant details of Peace's life and war are a mystery here. He was born on July 28, 1897, at Fargo, N.D., the son of James and Millie Gilbert Peace.

It's not clear here what happened to Peace's parents. He is listed as having entered Canada

in 1903. As always, more details would be welcomed.

This column was inspired by Cameron Paton's discovery of that family photograph with its aura of London-region innocence and peace.

Online, attestation papers at collectionscanada.gc.ca and other material at elgincounty.ca/archives have helped tell the story of Pte. Peace.

So has the Elgin Military Museum.

Also inspiring have been colleagues who have all asked if Peace survived the war.

Yes, he did.

Serving with the CEF's 2nd Battalion, he fought at Vimy Ridge, Hill B.

Despite being wounded at Fresnoy — with gunshot wounds to the leg and hip and shrapnel injuries — Peace was there at the end of the war, documents show. He was discharged in April 1919.

So, on Nov. 11, let us remember this soldier and so many like him. This hero fought in the war to end all wars and his name was Peace.

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BYGONE DAYS: The Clachan Women's Institute

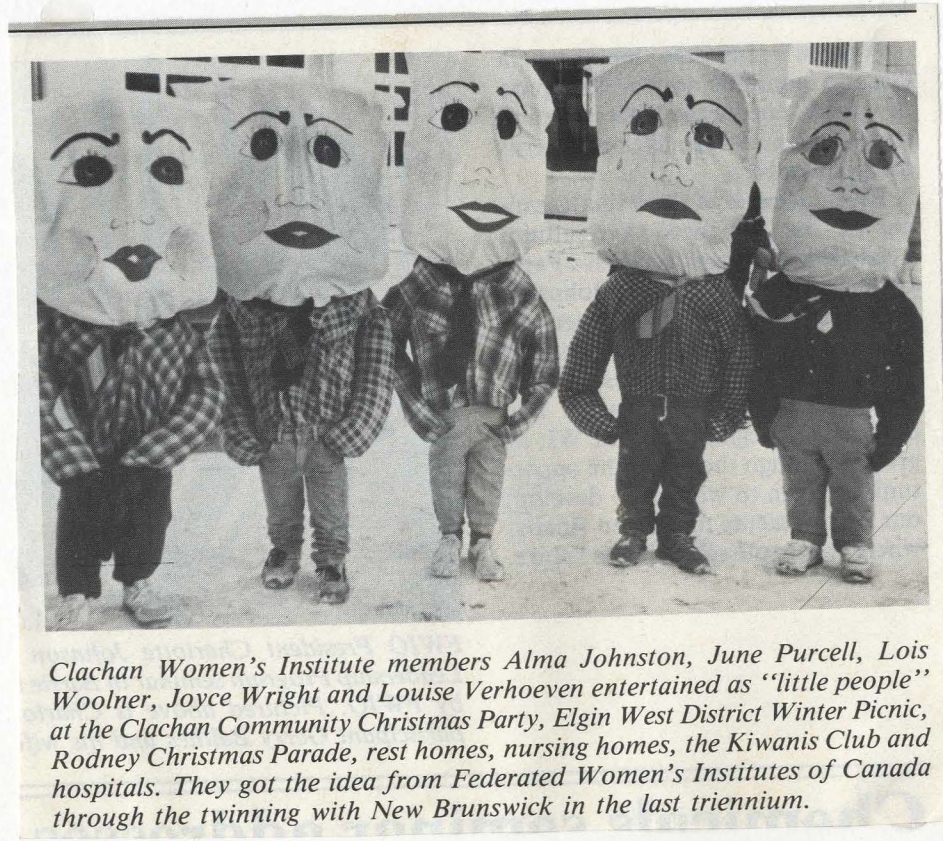


The Clachan Women's Institute 60th anniversary was celebrated in March 1974. Shown in this photograph, from left - Mrs Clarence McWilliams, president; Mrs Elgin McIntyre, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Gordon Gow, Dutton; and Mrs. Garnet Long. The Clachan Women's Institute celebrated their 100th Anniversary on May 3, 2014.

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Mary Gow + Annie Long



Clachan Women's Institute members Alma Johnston, June Purcell, Lois Woolner, Joyce Wright and Louise Verhoeven entertained as "little people" at the Clachan Community Christmas Party, Elgin West District Winter Picnic, Rodney Christmas Parade, rest homes, nursing homes, the Kiwanis Club and hospitals. They got the idea from Federated Women's Institutes of Canada through the twinning with New Brunswick in the last triennium.

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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.

(H. Morden)





Louise Long, Mary Gow, Annie Long



Eva McPhail

Clachan Celebration

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Campbell observe 50th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Campbell, Oak Grove, observed their golden wedding anniversary, Tuesday, December 27th, with relatives and friends who visited them at their home and at Clachan Hall in the afternoon and evening.

Both are enjoying excellent health and are looking forward to many more years of health and happiness on their 3rd concession-Black's Lane farm.

It was there Mrs. Campbell was born, the daughter of John McLarty and Mary Campbell. In the same house she married

John W. Campbell of Kintyre, who is the son of William Campbell and Katherine Mitchell.

Rev. Burtch of Bothwell, who was pastor of the Aldborough Plains Baptist Church, officiated. The church in those days was just across Black's Lane from the bride's parent's farm.

Three children were born to the couple: John Jr.; Grace, Mrs. Maurice Hankinson, of North Bay, and Donald, of the 2nd concession. They have eight grandchildren.

They are members of Rodney Baptist Church, with Mr. Campbell being a director and past president of the Rodney Driving Club. Both take keen interest in community affairs.

During the afternoon, when the reception was held at home, 90 signed the guest register. In the evening, when the celebration moved to Clachan Hall, over 200 attended and extended best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Campbell. Music for dancing was supplied by John McColl's Orch.

Special congratulatory messages were received from John Diefenbaker, Mac McCutcheon, Neil Olde, and Premier John Robarts sent a scroll.

Attending from the greatest distance were Mr. and Mrs. Campbell's daughter, Mrs. Maurice (Grace) Hankinson, Mr. Hankinson and five children of North Bay.

Also attending was Mr. Campbell's sister, Mrs. Isabel Lamont of London, and Mrs. Campbell's sister, Mrs. Florence Tong of Port Stanley. Others attending from a distance were: Dr. and Mrs. Omar Davies of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Ramage, the former Donna Jean Lamont, of London, and Mrs. Clare Hodges, also of London.

Their many friends wish them many more years of health and happiness together.



Bary Long, Bonnie Okolisan



MR. AND MRS. CAMPBELL look at one of the many cards received on their 50th wedding anniversary Tuesday.



Cathy Johnston + Becky Mann



Jean Tait
Lil Wright

CANADIAN W. I. TRAVELERS ARRIVE AT COPENHAGEN

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Saturday, Sept. 9.
En Route to Copenhagen,
Denmark.

We are on our way to Copenhagen and are glad to be nearing our destination for it isn't easy to keep presentable and trim, living out of a suitcase all these days. This is the first time a Canadian delegation of farm women has visited these countries on a good-will tour and without exception every member of our party is delighted with the spontaneous welcome accorded us and the genuine interest and pleasure taken in our visit.

We love Norway and Sweden—we admire the clean, strong racial characteristics of their people and their almost fierce national pride in the things their country has to offer. We know that our "Hello," a greeting, is to them a word to command attention, similar to our word "hi" and that "hi" to them is just an ordinary friendly greeting. We are intrigued by the cheese-knife common to these countries—marvelling at its simplicity and the expert way it slices a shaving of cheese for the famed smorgesbord. We learn it was invented by a Norwegian carpenter, who when using his plane one day decided to use this principle in a knife to cut cheese. He invented this simple little gadget and became a millionaire because of his idea.

Can you imagine this happening in the heart of one of our big cities of half a million?—a householder calmly using a buzz saw on the sidewalk, cutting up 3-foot wood into foot lengths, for his fireplace and every pedestrian taking to the road, without a word, to get by? I saw this in a side street near our hotel in the centre of Stockholm about seven o'clock this evening. This is the sort of thing that makes these old cities different and lovable. No one minded, no one seemed upset—traffic just flowed on around him.

I've avoided trying to describe the beauty and the atmosphere of the public buildings of the capital cities we've visited. I just couldn't do it adequately, for they have a dignity and an appeal that is impossible to put on paper. They have a grandeur with their high vaulted arches, marble floors and staircases, statuary, balconies, galleries, carvings, paintings and color that you must see to appreciate. They are 800 and 900 years old, city and country have grown and developed around them, but they

stand still, the centre of a nation's life and the centre of a nation's culture and reverence.

I told you yesterday about the large farm we visited out of Stockholm. I saw a crop growing in one of the fields, but couldn't understand the explanation given. For my own satisfaction I persevered, and can now tell you about it. It was planted in rows as we plant field beans, and the plants were small, just nicely through the ground, about two inches high. I realized the crop was late and would never mature this year and would be carried through the winter. During the war the Danes had to eke out their feed supplies and started growing mustard which provides an acceptable oil cake residue after the pungent oil is expressed. This is sown in the fall and harvested the following year and is fed cattle as we feed oil cake. Farmers in Southern Sweden adopted the idea from the Danes, whose standard in agriculture for many years has been the envy of the rest of the Western world.

An example of our fun and good times with our Swedish friends before we leave them: When we were gathering for our luncheon at Scanson, the folk museum of Stockholm, I tried to talk to one of our Swedish housewives. We were getting along famously, although she spoke very broken English, and I felt she understood my conversation. I had asked if she came from a farm, noticed her wedding ring and pointed to it and asked if she had any family? She thoughtfully considered a minute and then to my amazement said, "Oh, yes. Four hundred." I meant children, she meant acres. At our laughter and attempt to explain she finally understood and everyone joined in the hilarity.

After that, every time I caught her eye we both enjoyed our little joke anew, proving that friendships are made and reserve broken down more by laughing together than by talking together.

We have a wonderful ride, the landscape is continuously pleasing—well-kept, profitable farms alternating with forests with trees known to us all. Here and there the terrain is rocky and rough with lakes tucked away, but as we go farther south we lose this altogether—and the land is flat. We lost the red and white cattle and see our first herd of Holsteins in a setting so much like home that we could almost believe we were there.

"The theory is that if Canadian and U.S. dollars are on a parity, the New York market ultimately may match the Canadian market on any given bond," the newspaper adds.

It says the rush to buy Canadian securities recognizes this and other developments of the Dominion's natural resources.

The newspaper says the explanation of the outflow of U.S. dollars lies in the fact that Canada is in an improved economic position, is expected in some quarters to get large armament orders from the United States, and is reversing the trend of the flow of fuel with expected early opening of a pipeline transporting oil into the United States.

It adds that Canada's gold holdings as of July 31 totalled \$1,320,000,000 and now...

FRIENDLY OBSERVATIONS ABOUT CUSTOMS IN NORWAY

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My hostess and I have breakfast together and I want to tell you about some of their customs in Norway that differ from ours. For breakfast they have coffee and it is good. Coffee is rationed but they have cream, which England and Scotland do not have, and we all know what cream does for coffee. Sometimes they have an egg, but always at hotels or private homes. Smorgesbord: You will know this is a collection of what we would call open-faced sandwiches. They are artists at making these plates attractive and appetizing. They haven't our modern electrical equipment—no pop-up toasters. If you have jam you eat it with bread.

Lunch about 12 o'clock is a repetition of the above. They have their one hot meal of the day at four or five o'clock, not the variety of fruits we have for juices or desserts, but the soups are delicious—also the vegetables. Meat is not plentiful, but I have never tasted fish or fowl prepared more deliciously. At hotels and restaurants the main course is served from huge silver platters, which the waiter carries to each person. The meat dish is in the centre, very tastefully arranged, and the vegetables surround it, with the exception sometimes of potatoes which they serve later. I marvel at the dexterity of the waiters holding these huge platters in the left hand and serving with a large spoon and fork in their right hand. They use these pieces in a pinching movement and are expert at it. Try it and see how you manage.

Another difference we have noticed—they never eat with the fork alone, as we do by transferring it to our right hand. This is equally true of England, Scotland and Norway, and I imagine it will carry in all the countries we visit. The first course is eaten with the fork always in the left hand and the knife in the right. Dessert, whether it be pastry or pudding, is eaten with a dessert fork in the left hand and dessert spoon in the right. We find this a very simple and common-sense arrangement.

So, if you want to be European, you will have to change some of your eating habits. We think them very sensible.

In Norway, the women wear their wedding and engagement rings on the right hand, but on the same finger we do. They are smartly dressed, they wear their clothes well. The middle and upper classes have the advantage of the world shopping centres of Copenhagen, Paris, and London. I believe I told you in my last letter the Norwegian people are a very handsome race—physically strong and hardy. The housewives deplore that their kitchens are not modern and truly they are not. If we had to work in them we would feel cramped, with no place to put things out of our hands. They tell me they look at the pictures of our kitchens in the magazines with envy.

have derived from Latin and German roots.

Many young women come and speak to us telling us they are Canadian girls. They met their husbands when they were at "Little Norway" and came across the seas with them to establish their home. I asked about the adaptability and whether they were happy in the land of their adoption. The answer was always "Yes, we love Norway." A few told me they weren't contented until they had had a trip back to their old Canadian home—then they were ready to come back and settle down to build. They all master the Norwegian language quickly—a Toronto girl told me "Now, we speak nothing but Norwegian in our home." This is as it should be: We couldn't have given them to finer lads—and the older women tell me they love them like their own daughters.

They haven't central heating and here in Norway, their stoves are very tall, of iron or steel, reaching nearly to the ceiling. I haven't seen one in action so I can't tell you about their efficiency. But they have delightful fireplaces in all their livingrooms—they built their fires with the logs on end and when they strike the match to it it goes off with a roar.

The plumbing is not modern, but their homes are stocked with beautiful pieces of silver, glass, china and furniture, cared and cherished by a family for generations.

And now their beds—they are comfortable enough, but your bed covers consist of an eider-down, sewn or folded in the top sheet. It is delightfully cosy, and light, but I wondered what you would do in really warm weather. When I asked my hostess she said, "Oh, I have all kinds—thinner ones for warmer weather."

The majority of the women we have met can speak a few words of English and many speak excellent English. It is surprising how well we manage—they have words as we

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Imagine our delight when we come up on the level of the huge station to see our International banner—you all know our badge, green and white with four points representing the four corners of the earth—high on a standard and a group of Danish women standing near it to welcome us and help us to our hotels—for we are scattered all over the city—it being impossible to receive accommodation together.

WOMEN'S ACT.

COPENHAGEN CONFERENCE OVER, DELEGATES ON TOUR

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Amsterdam, Holland,
Tuesday, Sept. 19, (a.m.)

This morning we are down at 7.30 for breakfast, in spite of not getting into Amsterdam until four this morning, for we are planning on going to Groningen and we found to our sorrow that the train leaves at 8.26. Our hotel, the Europe, is situated right on one of the canals and on the morrow we promise ourselves a trip around the canals in the pleasure boat that's tied up right under the dining room window.

Groningen is over 100 miles away—it was the home of many of our Canadian troops during the war and we learn many married Dutch girls and are living in the city of 130,000. As we leave the city we remark about the little evidence of bombing damage and are told that Amsterdam was spared the suffering of The Hague and Rotterdam.

The fields are emerald green and the country so flat that you can see for miles on either side, and everywhere cows are grazing—the fields are dotted with them, some tethered, some wandering at will. Fields are separated by narrow ditches and crossings are made at narrow bridges, guarded by gates. Dutch cattle are certainly well-behaved. I can't see ours at home staying so placidly behind such a boundary. The cows are practically all Holsteins—here and there a red one stands out. All have their horns and are a large type—the largest we've seen in Europe.

It has been a very cool season here—the same with every country we've visited and as we go along it rains intermittently. In spite of this farmers are out digging the potatoes, probably to save them from the rot that goes with this wet weather. We see many of them doing odd jobs, such as cleaning weeds and grass out of the ditches, cutting fire wood, etc. The roofs of the barns and houses are thatched or tiled and the straw stacks and hay stacks have their own umbrellalike roof of thatch, which we learn is not always of straw, but of a tall, coarse sturdy weed that grows along all the ditches.

The gardens are the neatest thing imaginable—they plant their vegetables in small plots, never in long rows, and it is more attractive in appearance. They like green beans here—every garden has its tall poles for climbers. We learn many of these farms are small, from 20 to 70 acres, and that it is not the most productive region of Holland. A farmer here pulls a wheelbarrow load of manure to the field by roping himself to it, not pushing it. There is no evidence of mechanized farming here—anyway it is too wet—you can see the ground is just saturated.

pulled along on a cart, you just roll down the window and make your choice.

Mrs. Houck and I are going to Groningen to see the family of the Dutch boy who is working for the Houck's in Canada, and members of the family are waiting on the platform to drive us about 20 miles out of the village. There is evidence of a great deal of bombing here—ugly bare places everywhere as it was a centre for housing troops. In the middle of the city a cattle sale is in progress and we slow down to get a view of it. It is held every Tuesday, farmers bring in their cows to sell for milking, not butchering. It is a hive of activity and must be rather an occasion for a family outing as many women and children are dashing to and fro, many of them, adults also, in the well-known wooden shoes—or "clumpin".

A man pushing a cart intrigues me. I watch people buying salt herrings from him and stand at the curb and eat it by putting back the head and devouring it by mouthfuls. The platform in his cart is spotless, also the kettles where he stores them and he seasons each fish to the customer's liking.

We reach the home and find the men of the family have taken a holiday, five in number, to hear about their brother in Canada. They can only speak a few words of English but had brought along a friend to interpret and Mrs. Houck was able to tell them all about the "one" in Canada. The mother said "I think of him all the time, so far away, and am so happy to hear about him". So adjustment to new situations isn't all on one side of the water. The young people present told us one of their customs in Holland—when a couple become engaged they each wear a wedding ring on the left hand showing everyone that they have been claimed and after the wedding the rings are changed over to the right hand and worn there.

When we were having tea a caller arrived, resplendent in uniform and big coat, high top hat and wearing silver chains, the insignia of his office. He was the "town crier" calling on every family in the village and nearby farms to tell them of a death. You may be sure I followed him out of the house and he posed for a picture, so I have proof that this ancient custom still survives, in color film to take back to Canada.

The family insist that we take the night train back to Amsterdam, so it is eleven o'clock before we turn in after a most enjoyable day. Would you like to know what we were served for supper? The first course was cold meat and cheese on a slice of bread—you ate this with a knife and fork and helped yourself as many times as you wished. The next course was a slice of sweetened bread, something like a currant bun, and on this you spread jam and ate this with your cup of tea.

I wanted to tell you also that the barn we visited was spotless. You would think the cement walls and floor had been scrubbed. They do not put their cows in at all in the summer time but milk them out in the fields. They take cans and pails to the cows in hand carts or wagons; we saw dozens of them standing perfectly still while they were being milked.

CANADIAN W.I. VISITORS ENJOY NORWAY AND SWEDEN

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En Route Oslo to Copenhagen
Wednesday, Sept. 13, 1950

Rain has dogged our footsteps. It poured all day yesterday—a heavy day in Oslo. We had rain, too much of it, while in England and Scotland. It is our one worry—many of us have color film and are disappointed we can make so little use of it.

We are now on our way to Stockholm and it promises to be a good day. Our friends in Oslo tried to persuade us to stay over for the night train, as the scenery, they said was monotonous. The friendly rivalry between these two countries is very apparent—but it's a healthy sign—each emphasizing the advantages of their own land and the disadvantages of the other. But the Norwegians do say "Oh! In Sweden, they have everything—they are wealthy, like you are." We find this is true, as the train speeds along and, by the way, it is the most luxurious coach in which we have traveled since we landed at Liverpool.

Sweden is like Ontario—like Ontario would be if North and South were mixed together. There are splendid farm lands, then the terrain changes and it is comparable to our Muskoka areas, with rocks, lakes and small patches for fields. But without exception every building is painted. I haven't seen an unpainted farm building since I've reached Norway and what it does for the landscape you can well imagine. Every house and barn is painted and it is a good red—not the brown red we have and don't like, or the vivid red that is too startling—just a serviceable red. I asked about this and found out the answer. In the north of Sweden are iron oxide mines that produce this red paint by just mixing with water—no oil necessary. Unless a farmer is too busy he takes care of his own paint job, and the cost of the paint is very little. It has proved

to be durable also. Would that we had similar ore in Ontario. There is just nothing like it for dressing up the countryside and would immeasurably increase the tourist appeal of our province.

The trip is comfortable and uneventful. Harvesting is in full swing here—tractors and grain binders or combines, at work, proving they are a full month behind us in harvesting. Forests are like our Muskoka areas, a great many beech and spruce, only the Norway pines tower high. We are glad to relax—our days have been strenuous and nearly all have contracted a cold, from that proper soaking yesterday.

Canada's minister to Sweden at Stockholm, is Mr. T. A. Stone, formerly of Chatham. The minister is out of the country, but we were barely at our hotel when his secretary, Mr. Hamilton Southam, called to welcome us to Sweden and to Stockholm. Mr. Southam belongs to the Southam family who own a chain of newspapers across Canada. There's something very heartwarming in meeting a Canadian in a far-away land and we appreciated this courtesy.

Members of the Swedish Women's Institutes take over Thursday morning early and we are off to a store featuring Swedish handicrafts and a full morning of shopping. The stores are wonderful here—full of attractive goods. You could almost think you were shopping on Yonge street, Toronto, and the food shops are out of this world, especially those featuring Swedish pastries. Here you see the glass and silver products for which Sweden is famous and we wish Sweden was next door to Canada so that we could "stock up" with these beautiful things.

Our hostesses are dressed in Swedish costume for our enjoyment. They are varied and colorful—we continually marvel at them for every bit of the outfit is hand woven, even the white blouse. They entertain us at lunch at Skansen—an open-air folk-museum—and the president of the Swedish Institutes welcomes us and tells us something of their work here. The past president is one of the vice-presidents of our international organization, Associated Country Women of the World, and we are happy to meet her. They have 33,000 members in Sweden and have many active branches in Lapland at the far north.

The restaurant at Skansen (which reminds me of Greenfield Village, out of Detroit) is delightful, beamed ceilings, huge fire-places at either end of the room, bright red geraniums blooming at every window and long boxes of plants and red geraniums placed all through the room.

My companion at table tells me something of Lapland, which lies in the Arctic Circle. The Laplanders still live mostly in skin tents and move from place to place to find food for their reindeer. I was amazed to learn that in the Southern part of their land they grow potatoes and grain, along the sea coast.

We are learning to appreciate the great diversity of membership we have in A.C.W.W. We are learning, too, that in Norway and Sweden our membership is drawn largely from the middle and upper classes, wives of business and professional men, and that their main objective is the same as our own, "the building up of home and communities." Labor groups have their own organizations. These two countries are ahead of us in representation given to women in municipal offices. We learn there are a great many serving on county councils.

We are dismayed to find it is raining heavily again, but we brave the elements to learn something of Skansen. It comprises many acres and old historic buildings and early industries have been brought here for preservation—the same as at Greenfield Village. But we had to

curtail our sight-seeing here, as it meant continual walking in the open. As it was we were soaked through and through. We have a good joke on one of our members from British Columbia (names are unfair) an ex-newspaper woman, and a rather sedate little person. She wore today a short jacket and a crepe dress, which we called "creeping crepe." As it got wetter, it also got shorter, until finally there was a good four inches of a paddy-green slip showing. We told her the Swedish people would wonder what new district they had acquired when they saw her outfit.

We did feel sorry for Mr. and Mrs. Southam, for we are their guests at five o'clock tea in their apartment in a very new and modern apartment house. We meet members of the Canadian Legation, several of whom are formerly from Ontario. The day is not yet over for six of us who persevere in securing tickets for the Swedish Ballet, which is having its premiere showing tonight. We are told the house is sold out, but we wait around in the hopes of cancellations because of the rainy night and are at last rewarded for our patience. It was delightful—a combination of artistry, grace and color, and we are satisfied to call it a day.



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