TWEEDSMUIR HISTORY



THE WALLACETOWN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
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Tweedsmuir History Manual Ad Hoc Committee

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The Curator

A Curator is widely accepted As one seeks stories of the past; The records must always be accurate, In the Tweedsmuir book they will last. By talking to friends and neighbours, And reading the paper with pride; Marking and cutting out articles And pasting them side by side. The events of to-day will be important For generations to come; We'd like to have family histories But it's difficult to get some. Of course, one should get all the farm stories, But for this Curators might need an aide For the farmers don't think it's important, But they might if they could get paid. House logs could prove to be fascinating And Curators will do their best; If homeowners share their information The Curator will do the rest. By being keen and intensely active; And always looking for facts, The Tweedsmuir book must be a history A record which nothing lacks. Institute members are proud of the work, And glad that they really care; So do all you can to lighten the load With any spot news you can share.

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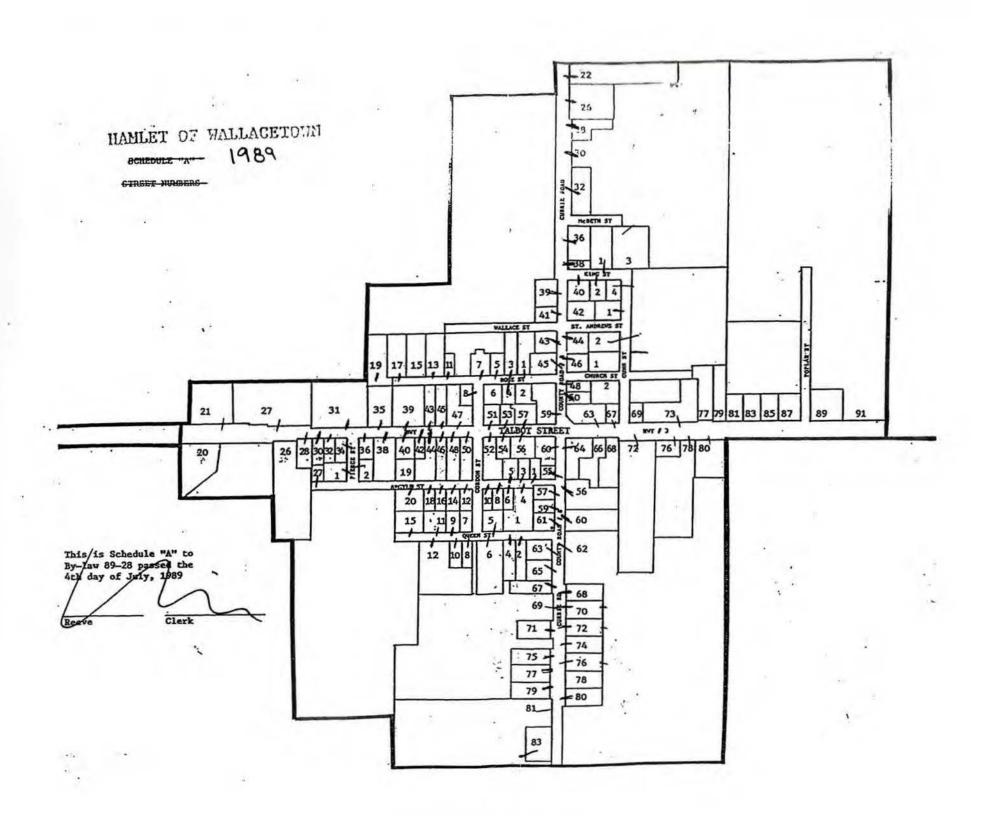
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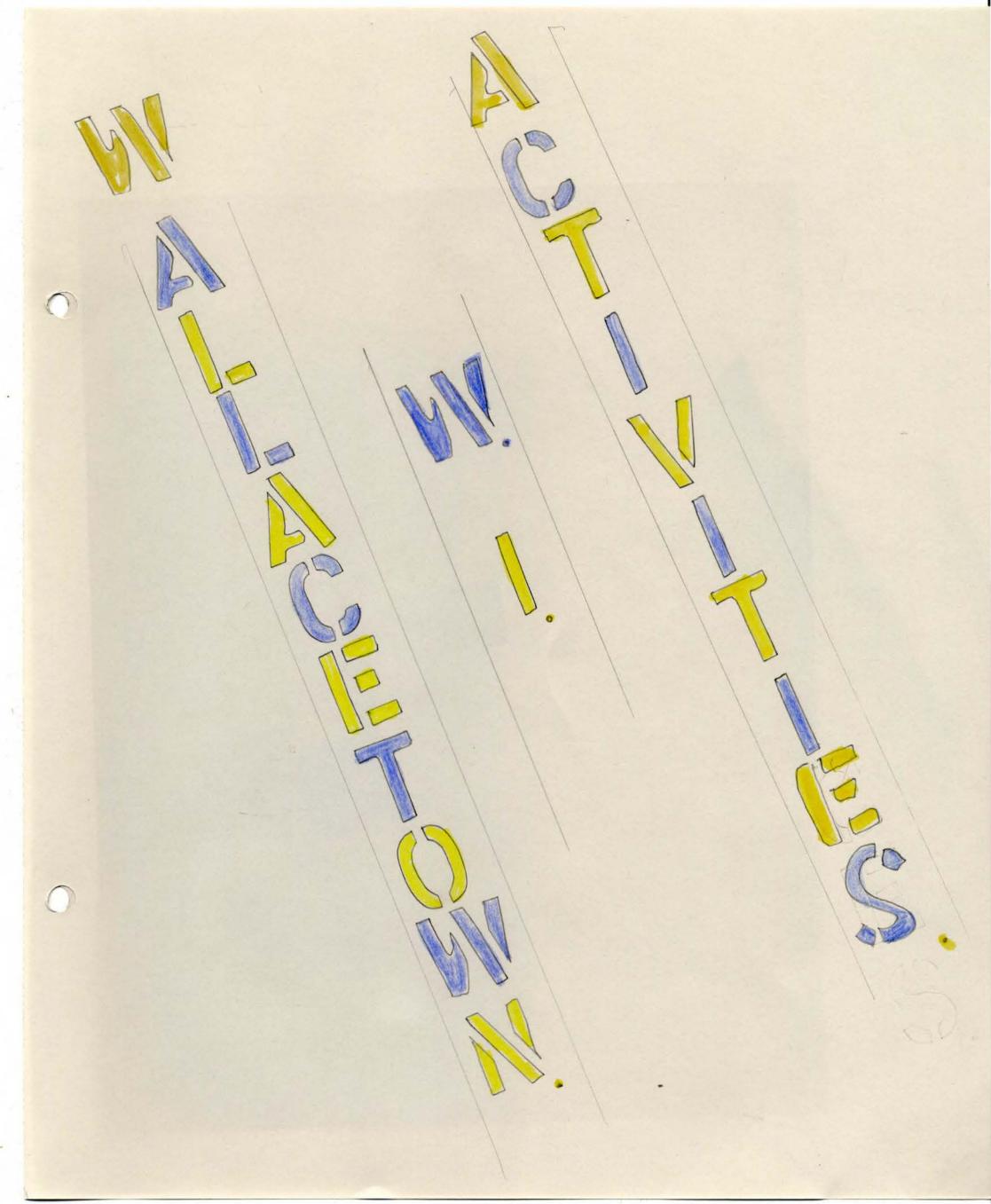
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Dec. 4th, 2007 + Jan, 10th 2008

WALLACETOWN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE NEWS

On tuesday December 4th, 10 members and 8 guests met at the Wayside Inn in Talbotville at 12 noon for our annual christmas get-together. A time of fun, laughter and of course good food was enjoyed by everyone.

President Helen VanBrenk gave an update on the coming events. Winter Picnic, Feb. 27th at the Fingal United Church at 12 noon. Von Elgin are hosting a Robbie Burns Day Supper and Dance - Jan.25th. at Shedden's Keystone Complex with a silent auction and entertainment. Earth Day Festival & Expo 2008 week, April 19th - 26th., sponsored by the Dutton-Dunwich Chamber of Commerce.

River Road W.I. is our twin for 2008, and they have been invited to our January Potluck and Progressive Euchre Card Party on thurs, January 10th.

JANUARY MEETING 2008

On thursday January 10th at 12 noon 7 members and 19 guests attended the potluck lunch and Progressive Euchre Card Party at the South Dunwich Community Hall. John McIntyre gave the blessing to a bountiful lunch.

There were 5 full tables for the card games for the afternoon and the convenors were Kay Waite and Doris Barber.

White Card Winners: High Hand - Ruth Rueger; Lone Hands - Leona Lackey 2nd High Hand - Margaret Ford

Yellow Card Winners: High Hand - Joe Van Nuland Lone Hands - Murray Lackey 2nd High Hand - Jean Van Nuland

Door prizes went to Sy Downham, Leta West, Audrey Harris, Jim West, Maxine Campbell and Sally McIntyre.

Next meeting Winter Picnic at Fingal United Church, on wed. Feb. 27th., at 12 noon. Bring plate and cup, potluck dish and something for the toonie table.

by Kathy Minnema

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A new day for Dutton Medical Centre.

The Don C. Campbell Medical Building on Currie Rd. in Dutton was officially re-opened April 1. The building has been expanded with almost 2,300 square feet of space. (L-R) Tom Oegema, Chairman of West Elgin Mutual, Graham Warwick, Elgin County Warden, Rien Van Brenk, past president of the Wallacetown Optimists Club, Cameron McWilliams, Deputy-Mayor of Dutton/Dunwich, and Dan McKillop, chairperson of the fundraising committee.



Donation to Medical Bldg.

Tom Oegema (L), Chairman of West Elgin Mutual, presented a donation of \$10,000 to Dan McKillop, chairperson of the fundraising committee for the medical centre addition on April 1.

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Dutton Medical re-opened

Dutton's expanded medical building is ready to service the community following

the official re-opening ceremony April 1.

The Don C. Gampbell Medical Building on Currie Rd. was renovated with about 2,300 square feet of extra space added. The expansion, including furnishings and signage, totals about \$344,978.

The community used to have a harder time attracting doctors to the area because the space being rented out at the time was in the municipal building. The expanded medical centre offers enough space for two doctors, Dr. P. Sharman and Dr. E. Henein, as well as services including optometric services, diabetes education, community support services for seniors, and a clinical dietitian.

"When we first rebuilt the medical centre ten years ago, we even at that time realized that in the near future we would have to add an addition on. Once we hired Dr. Henein, the plans were in place to make the expansion possible," said Deputy Mayor Cameron McWilliams. "It's important to us as a council that we are able to offer medical services locally. In this day and age of doctor shortages, it's nice to have two doctors in this building and Dr. Campbell down the street."

A ribbon cutting was held at the re-opening ceremony and businesses and community groups were thanked for their support.

nity groups were thanked for their support.
"I think this medical centre is not only a wonderful thing for Dutton-Dunwich, but also for the whole west end of the county," said Elgin County Warden Graham Warwick."I like the way you're working with other services in the area in a cooperative way and I think that's the way we move ahead. I think Dutton-Dunwich shows us an example for the rest of the county and the province."

Fundraising efforts are continuing to pay off the debt for the addition.

W.I. WINTER PICNIC 2008

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On wed. Feb.27th Kay Waite, Darlene Ford, Louie Lackey and Kathy Minnema attended the W.I. Winter Picnic at the Fingal United Church at 12 noon. There were 53 members present. Hosts were Boxall and Yarmouth Glenn W.I.

News: Middlemarch W.I. recently celebrated their 90th Anniversary. March 31st is the next Directors board meeting at 9:30 am. Quilts in Bloom show at the Shedden Keystone Complex on April 18th and 19th.

Password for the FWIO meetings and reports is (Mary stewart). If you find this very hard to find complain to the Board of Director Members.

Pauline Lindsay was the guest speaker for the afternoon, which she brought and talked about her many bells collected over the years and on her many trips. She had between 50 and 100 bells. She said she would count them when she put them away today. (Didn't know how many she had).

WI takes look at The Queen

BY KATHY MINNEMA FOR THE TIMES-JOURNAL

WALLACETOWN —
On Wednesday, March 12,
the Wallacetown Women's Institute met at the
home of member Sally
McIntyre at 9:15 a.m.
There were eight members present and two
guests.

Conveners were Sally McIntyre and Kay Waite.

Coffee and muffins were served before the showing of the movie, The Queen, to which everyone thoroughly enjoyed.

For most of our members this was the first time to see this movie. We were very surprised at the combination of loyalty, tradition and the lack of awareness of the everyday feelings all around the monarchy.

Quite an eye-opener and very interesting look at how the upper class reacts and handles life ups and downs.

President Helen Van Brenk opened our meeting. Reports were read and adopted.

Our Christmas family this year consisted of three children (two girls and one boy) for which Sally McIntyre and Helen Van Brenk did the shopping and wrapping.

Helen Van Brenk has completed our eighth Tweedsmuir History book and will take it to the archives to be microfilmed.

bination of loyalty, tradition and the lack of awareness of the everyday feelings all around the Darlene Ford is donating money to St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital, the new digital mammography unit, on behalf of our Institute from profits made on the Christmas Mystery Tour held last November.

Ruby McGugan brought in the quilt she has made to donate for the Daffodil Tea on April 12.

In new business, Helen Van Brenk was to attend the District meeting on March 31 at 9:30 a.m.; and a Daffodil Tea, April 12 at Bobier Villa, 9 a.m. - noon.

The meeting was adjourned and Kay Waite and Sally McIntyre served us a lovely lunch, to which everyone thanked the ladies.

Our next meeting will be April 17 at 1:30 p.m. at the South Dunwich Community Hall.

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W'town W.I. elects officers

BY KATHY MINNEMA FOR THE TIMES-JOURNAL

WALLACETOWN -Wallacetown Women's Institute met April 17 at the South Dunwich Commu-ಹ nity Centre at 1:30 p.m. with seven members.

President Helen Van

Brenk opened the meeting with the Institute Ode, Mary Stewart Collect and the Lord's Prayer.

Daffodil Tea held at the Bobier Villa was very well represented with 91 in attendance.

Congratulations to Mary Veenstra, winner of the quilt, and to Pauline Lindsay, for winning the scrapbooking supplies.

Joan Johnston and Joan McLandress are working at the Elgin Manor tuck shop during May.

The Elgin District Annual is to be held on May 14 at 5:30 p.m., with a potluck supper at St. James Presbyterian Church, meeting to follow.

Tweedsmuir The workshop is set for Aug. 5 at the Kirkton Communi-

ty Centre. Rural Ontario Education Co-ordinator (ROSE) Kay Waite gave a detailed report on all of our activities over the past year. We

also celebrated our 95th anniversary during this past year.

Tweedsmuir History curator Helen Van Brenk display our newly com-pleted eighth book hold-

ing articles for 2004-2007. Louie Lackey reported 2,481 volunteer hours this

past year.

Election of officers for 2008-2009 are: president Helen Van Brenk, vicepresident Kathy Min-nema, secretary Joan McLandress, assistant secretary Kathy Min-nema, treasurer Louie Lackey, district director Helen Van Brenk, alter-nate district director Dorothea Montieth, advocacy convener Sally McIntyre, ROSE education co-ordinator Kay Waite, branch director Glady Graham, Tweedsmuir curator Helen Van Brenk, auditors Joan Johnston and Kay Waite, press re-porter Kathy Minnema, Bobier Villa representa-tive Amarillis Drouillard, Elgin Manor representatives Joan McLandress and Joan Johnston, Elgin County Museum representative Helen Van Brenk, card and cheer convener Kay Lilley.

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