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Winter Pianie held Wednesdog February 16th 2011. AT Fingal Knox Presby terian Church. Speaker: Laura Hathaway lectured on how to start a "Bee Hive".

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WALLACETOWN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE: Reunion still held each June in Shedden

History of Fingal School recounted

KATHY MINNEMA for The Times-Journal

WALLACETOWN — The June meeting of the Wallacetown Women's Institute was held at the South Dunwich Community Hall. Eight members and seven guests enjoyed a pot-luck supper.

The conveners for this meeting were Ruth Rueger and Mary Gillett.

President Helen Van Brenk opened the meeting with the Institute Ode, the Mary Stewart Collect followed by the Lord's Prayer.

The meeting was turned over to Mary Gillett who introduced speakers Len Lynch and Ross Burgar.

In 2006, Mr. Lynch and Mr. Burgar were approached to head up a reunion for Fingal SS #12 Southwold Public School to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the closing of this school in 2007.

Len Lynch was working at this time at the CFPL-TV station as studio operations supervisor in London, Ont., where he worked for 26 years.

Ross Burgar has a marketing company and between them they were able to put together a DVD, History of the Fingal School.

The Fingal School was built in the village in 1912. Fire broke out and despite the efforts of the Fingal residents, the building was lost in 1917. In 1918, the school was rebuilt and opened for use in September, east of Fingal about one-half mile out of town.

This school has served as Fingal Continuation School (high school) for Grades 9 to 12 and as an elementary school from Grades 1 to 8 after the war years.

There were interviews from teachers and students as far back as the 1920s. Some names were: Dr. William Turner, Prof. Robert Jones, Harry Fordham, Elva DeWar Bassett (teacher-student), Frances Newland, Marilyn Brown, Lois Fulton, Ruth Lidster, Bill McLandress, Louise Craig (artist), Clark Ashton, Clara Ashmore, Melba

Marr (teacher), Jim Smith, Steve Virag (ball player), Lori Abel Lackey, Alan McKellar (principal), Kathy Ferguson (teacher), Ray Lunn (first Elvis impersonator), Len Lynch and Ross Burgar.

Sandra (Tweetie) Lynch was the last student (in Grade 1) to ring the bell. The bell was moved in 1969 to the new Southwold school. A reunion was held at which everyone received a DVD copy. A reunion is still held the last Sunday in June at the Keystone Complex in Shedden.

YLEN LYNCH & MARY GILLETT 3 ROSS BURGAR. Y RUTH RUEGER.



DUTTON S.S. #16 (Bennett's)

This school section was organized December 26, 1888 at the home of David Bennett. The section was made up from parts of S.S. #10 (Campbellton) and S.S. #11 (Dutton), and consisted of Concession 4, the Gore, and Concession 5 along the Aldborough townline. The first school was built in the spring of 1889 on the northwest corner of Lot 7, the Gore. The school site had been bought from Dan Milton and the construction of the school was carried out by Mitchell and Graham of Rodney. The first teacher at this school was Lizzie Cameron who was paid \$265. a year for her services. In 1913, part of S.S. #16 broke away to become part of the new U.S.S. #3. Although this reduced attendance significantly, S.S. #16 remained open and in 1922 was rebuilt by J. H. Miller of Dutton.

Low enrolment remained a problem, and on June 30, 1947 the board of trustees closed the school. The trustees had decided it was best to close the school themselves before it was closed by the Department of Education. In this way the school could be reopened by the board of trustees at any time. Most students went to school in Dutton after the closing, but some went to U.S.S. #3. The board of trustees of S.S. #16 kept functioning, but the school was not reopened.

SOURCES

Dunwich S.S. #16 Board of Trustees Minute Book.

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Dutton Advance, 11 August 1965.

Schools and Teachers in the Province of Ontario, Years 1916-1945.

Toronto: T. E. Bowman, 1916-1945.

Swen to President Helen Van Brenk by Kay Waite Que 3rd, 2010 This was my first school.

New Business: April 10th is the Daffodil Tea, held at the Bobier Villa from 9am - 11:30 am. Wallacetown is to set up and work at the Bake table from 8:30 - 9:30.

March 22nd is the District meeting and Sally McIntrye will attend. The W.I.'s will work in the Rural Life Tent at the International Plowing Match in Sept. serving drinks and cookies. It is asked that 5 members from each Institute volunteer to help.

Helen introduced our guest speaker for the afternoon Duncan McPhail and his wife Norma. Duncan is the Chair of the Elgin County International Plowing Match from September 20th - 25th held east of St. Thomas on Hwy #3. This is an opportunity to bring all of Elgin County together with volunteers, sponsors, and patriots working together like at the Olympic's to carry through this huge undertaking to benefit our county were all profits will return. This is the 4th IPM held in Elgin. The first was in 1940 on # 4 Hwy south of St. Thomas were horses were used by Mitch Hepburn. In 1960 it was held near Springfield, this was the 1st Queen of the Furrow program and our own Lynda Prong won. 1985 was the 3rd IPM held near Talbotville and this was the beginning of the RV park. This is also the largest event held in Elgin County. This year's match will be bigger and even better. Feb. 27th was the launching of the poster with all the 4 matches represented which was produced by Dutton artist Jenny Philips. Duncan reminded us that when you are looking though a car windshield it is alot to do, but when you look though the rearview window you see what you have accomplished and it is amazing. when you take it step - by - step.

Kathy Minnema thanked Duncan for sharing this information with us. Kathy was the convenor for this meeting and read the motto: Get involved, it's helping others.

A lovely lunch was prepared by Doris Barber and Ruth Ruger. Next meeting: April 29th, 1:30 pm, at Helen VanBrenk's home. Membership fees are due. Roll Call: Name a crop from another country.

By: Kathy Minnema

Museum hosts Octaviano 3 clubs

For the Times-Journal

For their September meeting, 24 Women's Institute members from River Road, Boxall and Wallacetownwomen's institutes met at the Canadian Heritage Backus Page House Museum.

We were given a guided tour by Lori Milos-Ivanski who is the cultural

manager.

This 1850s restored Georgian-style residence is home to a living history museum. Listening to Milos-Ivanski, you could picture the events and daily life of the family living there at that time.

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A lot of labour by a number of area residents has gone into restoring this home. Milos-Ivanski also discussed the times and ways of Col. Talbot and who acquired the parcels of land and why.

We were introduced to Carol Mooney,

We were introduced to Carol Mooney, who spends time spinning and considers it the most important invention of all time.

She uses a French-Canadian spinning wheel. Mooney finds knitting with homespun wool very different from commercially spun wool; it's much softer.

Flax is her favourite to spin with and she dislikes using cotton. Dyes come from many natural products found around the yard and gardens.

Mooney has been spinning wool for 30 years and participates on a regular basis at Backus Page House and at other functions.

Louie Lackey thanked our speakers and gave a donation to the Backus Page House Museum.

Each Institute held their own meeting after a lovely lunch supplied by Joan McLandress, Darlene Ford, Sally McIntyre and Helen Van Brenk.

President Helen Van Brenk opened our meeting. Lackey and Ford updated us on the December meeting program.

Van Brenk, Kathy Minnema and Lackey attended the London area convention in Homesville.

Lackey thanked Kay Lilley for a getwell card and letter.

Van Brenk attended the Tweedsmiur workshop along with 116 other ladies on Aug. 3. The speakers discussed photo restoration — everyone took a historical photo — and digital camera technology. Lackey gave the treasurer's report and

McLandress read the minutes from the last meeting.



River Road, Boralla Wallacetoeen WI members.



A ROOM AT THE BACKUS Page House Museum.



Motto: Don't seweat the small stuff."

Let's try to identify the small stuff. It wat get's to us! - the stickers on peaches, plums, tomatoes and other frints. You can't pull them off so you gouge a chunk with your thumb a mutilate the fruit - Kemoving stickers on new windows, china etc dry a handryer. It doesn't - tags on towels and them off and the hem of the towel reprout; cut off dag & part of the tag lds left behind, Did you ever sevander about the tag on your new levengroom chary that says "DO NOT REMOVE!"?
Thy? Is it illegal? Tho's
going to know?
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the plastic lid & then try to get a good grip on the undersised tab of the aluminam foil cover and Saran wrap has can interesting history I haven's yet discovered Dobrand Ithat doesn't have to be thrown out of you dare by accident to touch two Surfaces together. Dry to stretch and Lof a fitted sheet so it well fet over the fourth corner of the mattress. I respeden my wrists every time. Make a phone call regarding life altering Genandial Equestions and nine themes out of ten you well get la foreign-accented

pelson I always say

I'm sorry but I'm deaf & hang up. If I get a phone call from lan asian or Mexican

I make the same excuse. One time in Florida from Bill's El Savidorian Woodor, Doctor Morales re Bell's bloodwork. I didn't recognice the doctor so said Forry, I'm deaf's hung up. Dactually thought it was a telemorketer Mexican sincert was meal time Carving knife? Lucky you Multiple choice telephone calls where no choice fits your "." needs. Try pressing "O." Sometimes a human will come on but often the take repeats itself. "Halk down the street with your head held high meg mother used to say. Do that in West Lorne and you'll break your neck. - grand keds tying up phone lines by resing

a computer to do their home work with a friend Obreve over a deliver your message in person. It? 1 - toe nails to cut ? let alone bend over to cut.

- a myriad of small stuff.

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save that for brigger stuff. Written by Joan M'Landress. Of 7th 2010

OFFICERS 2010-2011	THURSDAY, APRIL
President Language Tolling State	Helen Van Brenk
Vice-President	Kathy Minnema
Secretary	Joan McLandress
Assistant Secretary	Kathy Minnema
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District Director	Helen Van Brenk
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Rose Education Co-ordinator	all members
Branch Director	Gladys Graham
Tweedsmuir Curator	Helen Van Brenk
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Press Reporter	Kathy Minnema
Rep to Bobier Villa	Sally McIntyre
Rep to Elgin County Museum	Helen Van Brenk
Card & Cheer	Kay Lilley

STANDING COMMITTEE CONVENORS

Agriculture... Kathy Minnema

Canadian Heritage... Helen Van Brenk

Consumer & Family Affairs ...

Darlene Ford & Joan McLandress

Educational & Health... Louie Lackey

International Affairs... Sally McIntyre

Rural Ontario Sharing Education (R.O.S.E.)

Ruth Rueger & Kathy Minnema

Tweedsmuir History... Helen Van Brenk

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 selfseeking.

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

May we never be hasty in judgement and always generous.

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

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

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

And may we strive to touch and know the great human heart common to us all, and 0 Lord God, let us not forget to be kind.



WALLACETOWN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

PROGRAM

2010-2011

ELGIN COUNTY DISTRICT

Motto-"For Home and Country"

INSTITUTE GRACE

We thank Thee Father for Thy care
Food, friends and kindness we share
May we forever mindful be
of home, country and of Thee.

INSTITUTE ODE

A goodly thing it is to meet
In friendship's circle bright,
Where nothing stains the pleasure sweet
Nor dims the radiant light.
No unkind words our lips shall pass,
No envy sour the mind;
But each shall seek the common weal—

The good of all mankind.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH 2010 1pm CANADIAN HERITAGE BACKUS PAGE HOUSE MUSEUM

(Meet at South Dunwich Hall @ 12:30 to carpool)

1pm House tour

2 pm Spinning demonstration by Carol

Mooney

3pm Lunch

Speaker thank you by Louie Lackey

3:30pm The presidents of Boxal & Wallacetown

WI call their separate meetings

Lunch - Joan McLandress, Darlene Ford, Sally

McIntyre, Helen Van Brenk

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7TH 2010 1:30pm CONSUMER & FAMILY AFFAIRS

(Meet at South Dunwich Hall @ 1:15 pm to carpool to West Lorne - Joe's Restaurant)

Speaker: Pat Lambier - Dental Hygienist Convenors: Darlene Ford & Joan McLandress

Motto: "Don't sweat the small stuff."

Comments: Joan McLandress

Roll Call: How do you unwind?

Meeting & Lunch: Joe's Restaurant

Guests: West Lorne WI

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH 2010 7pm RURAL ONTARIO SHARING EDUCATION (ROSE) & HEALTH

SOUTH DUNWICH HALL, WALLACETOWN

Speaker: Mike McKechnie, pharmacist from

Highland Pharmacy in Dutton

Topic: Generic Drug Prices & question period on all

drugs

Convenor: Louie lackey

Motto: "Attitude" (poem - "Smiling is Infectious")

Comments: Louis Lackey

Roll Call: Name the first prescription drug you ever

took; what year it was and what it was for.

Members all bring articles for toonie table - Tickets

10 for \$2

Members bring lunch. Meeting open to the public.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2ND 2010 12pm CHRISTMAS TURKEY DINNER

Place: Lakeview Gardens, 9353 Graham Rd. Eagle

No Meeting, No Program.

Donation-\$10 to our Christmas Family.

Guests: Clachan, Cowal, Crinan & West Lorne WI,
Dutton Adult Club and all churches.
The men are welcomed to join us.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6TH 2011 12pm POT LUCK DINNER & CARD PARTY

SOUTH DUNWICH HALL, WALLACETOWN

Program: Progressive Euchre Card Party Convenors: Ruth Rueger & Doris Barber

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

MID FEBRUARY 2011 MID-WINTER PICNIC

Date & location unknown at this time.

Carpool to the picnic.

Call Helen Van Brenk 519-762-6454.

Pot Luck @ 12pm - Bring your dishes and your favorite dish to share.

MARCH 2011—DATE UNKOWN RURAL ONTARIO SHARING EDUCATION (ROSE)

Place: Duff -Largie Presbyterian Church

Speaker: Alyssa Monden spokesperson for the

Juvenile Arthritis Society

Convenors: Ruth Rueger & Kathy Minnema

Motto: "In youth we learn, in age we understand."

Roll Call: A donation to Juvenile Arthritis Society

Entertainment: singing & skits

Lunch: Potluck

THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST 2011 1:30pm ANNUAL MEETING & TWEEDSMUIR HISTORY

Place: Helen Van Brenk's home

Convenor: Helen Van Brenk

Roll Call: Identify a heritage resource in your

community and explain your choice.

Reports: Rural Ontario Sharing Education (ROSE)
Nominating Committee - Louie Lackey
Tweedsmuir Report - Helen Van Brenk
Installation of Officers - Darlene Ford

Payment of membership fees

- over 80 yrs old \$40

- under 80 years old \$45

Display: Tweedsmuir Book #9, scrapbook & house logs

Lunch: Joan Johnston & Darlene Ford

THURSDAY, MAY 5TH 2011 10am AGRICULTURE CLOVERMEAD BEES & HONEY,

AYLMER

(Meet at South Dunwich Hall @ 9 am to carpool - depart 9:15am)

Program: Tour of Clovermead Convenor: Kathy Minnema Motto: "I'm as busy as a bee." Comments: Kathy Minnema Roll Call: Name something you can

substitute honey for.

Lunch: out

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1ST 2011 10am INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Place: Sally McIntyre's home

Program: Talk on China by Mary Gillet &

Sally McIntyre

Convenors: Sally McIntyre & Mary Gillet Roll Call: Bring an object from China Lunch: Sally McIntyre & Kay Waite

Library Hours

 Monday
 10:00-8:30

 Tuesday
 10:00-8:30

 Wednesday
 Closed

 Thursday
 1:00-8:30

 Friday
 10:00-5:00

 Saturday
 10:00-5:00

 Closed

Holiday Closings

Labour Day ~ Monday, September 6th, 2010

Thanksgiving ~ Monday, October 11th, 2010

Remembrance Day ~ Thursday, November 11th, 2010

County Shut Down ~ December 24th, 2010 @ 1:00 to

January 2nd, 2011

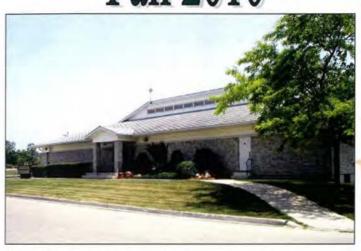


Registration Information

Please call 762-2780, drop in at the library or email duttonlib@elgin-county.on.ca to register for all programs.

Children are encouraged to get their own library card which is free with the consent of a parent or guardian.

John Kenneth Galbraith Reference Library Fall 2010



236 Shackleton Street, P.O. Box 69 Dutton, Ontario

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Phone: (519) 762-2780 Fax: (519) 762-0707

Email: duttonlib@elgin-county.on.ca

Website: www.library.elgin-county.on.ca/dutton/



Special Events

Canadian Public Library Week ~ October 17th to 23rd



The Great Book Trivia Challenge Monday, October 18th at 6:30 p.m. For all ages. Please pre-register.

History of the Victorian Scrapbook Presentation and Workshop Saturday, October 23rd at 1:30 p.m. ~

Presented by Fanshawe Pioneer Village.

~ Cost 5.50/ person.



Deal or No Deal

Adults, Teens and Children are invited to play Deal or No Deal from October 18th to 23rd. Just use your library card and make a deal.

Refreshments served all week long.

Miniature Gingerbread Houses

Saturday, December 4th 10:30-11:30 a.m. or 2:30-3:30 p.m. Cost \$1:00/person All Ages Welcome ~ Please pre-register.



Outreach Programs

Weighing Babies through the Let's Connect Program



1st Tuesday of each month October 5th, November 2nd, and December 7th

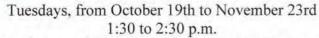
10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.





Ontario Early Years Center Presents...

Esso Family Math



A six week fun and interactive Math Program for parents and children age 3 to 6 years.

Call 519-631-9496 ext. 246 (Marilyn Heffren) to register.

Community Access Program



CAP or The Community Access Program is back at the John Kenneth Galbraith Reference Library and runs from September 2010 until March 2011. A CAP Worker is available to give computer lessons on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. It is never too late to learn something new especially when the lessons are *free*.

The Government of Canada provides funding for this initiative.







Individual Lessons:

One hour on the topic of your choice.

[Topics that can be covered in your computer lesson:
Internet Final Word Publisher FYCEL PowerPoin

Internet, Email, Word, Publisher, EXCEL, PowerPoint, Google and Beyond, On-line shopping, Surfing with Explorer, ServiceOntario, ServiceCanada, Elgin County Website and more.}

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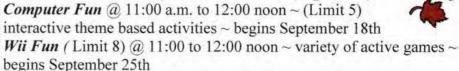
Group Lessons: (Limit 5)

Getting Started on Computers @ 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Session 1: October 7th to 28th {Thursday evening} Session 2: November 2nd to 23rd {Tuesday evening}

Business and Service Club Assistance:

- 1. Web page development
- 2. Business Information on the Internet
- 3. Group presentations.

Saturday Children's Hour (Ages 6-12)



Computer Fun and Wii programs alternate.

Watch for special computer camps for children throughout the year!



Children's Programs

Babies and Tots Storytime

Tuesdays 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

September 21st to December 14th

An interactive program for children 0 to 36 months that is a great introduction to early literacy skills. Caregivers are asked to participate in the program with the children.

Halloween Party October 26th

Preschool Storytime

Fridays 10:30 - 11:15 a.m. September 24th to December 17th

This program for children 3 to 5 years is filled with stories, games, songs, fingerplays and flannel board activities.

Halloween Party ~ October 29th



Kool Kids Club

A great program for children in Grades 1 to 3 featuring stories, games, crafts and lots of other fun activities. Program is the second Tuesday each month from 4 to 5 p.m.

Tuesday, October 12th

Halloween Creatures

Tuesday, November 9th

Just Imagine

Tuesday, December 14th

A Grinchy Christmas

Bedtime Storytime

Quiet stories, poems, songs and games for just before bed. This is a family program and children must be accompanied by an adult.

The program is the last Monday each month at 6:30 p.m. September 27th, October 25th, November 29th



Mother/Daughter Book Club

Girls in grades 4 to 6 and their mothers are invited to join a fun book club. It meets the second Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. to share ideas on the book of the month.

October 14th Because of Winn Dixie by Kate Di Camillo
November 9th (Tues.) The Report Card by Andrew Clements
December 9th The Spiderwick Chronicles 1 & 2 by Tony Di Terlizzi
New members welcome!

Children's Programs

Boys Really Rock!

A radical program just for boys in grades 3 and up held the fourth Tuesday each month from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Boys read a book on the theme prior to the program. Each month we'll talk about books and do cool fun activities.

Tuesday, September 28th Tuesday, October 26th

Great Graphic Novels Spooky Reads

Tuesday, November 23rd Pirates it Be!



Groovy Girls Club

Girls in grades 4 to 6 are invited to join a fantastic library club that will include book talks, games, special activities and groovy crafts. The club will meet the third Tuesday each month from 4 to 5 p.m. Charge \$3.00 for 3 months.

Tuesday, September. 21st

Tuesday, October 19th Tuesday, November 23rd Crackle Boxes Halloween Decor Christmas Tags



PA Day ~ Fishy Facts ~ Friday, November 12th @ 1:30 p.m.

Join Dan, from Fisheries and Oceans Canada, to learn about endangered species in our streams and lakes. Create you own fantastic fish.



For Ages 6-12

Holiday Programs (for Ages 6 to 12) @ 1:30 p.m.

Monday, December 20th ~ Holiday Computer Camp Tuesday, December 21st ~ Wii Fun



Reading Buddies

A one on one program for children in grades 1 to 4. Teen volunteers are paired with a child for a 1/2 hour weekly scheduled reading session. To arrange a Reading Buddy for your child, call Valerie at the library at 519-762-2780.



Please see back of flyer for registration information



Teen Programs

Mother/Daughter Teen Book Club @ 6:30 p.m. ~ Grades 7 and up

Thursday, October 21st

~ Gotcha by Shelley Hrdlitschka

Thursday, November 18th

~ Haunted by Barbara Haworth-Attard

Thursday, December 16th

~ Candor by Pam Bachorz

New Members Welcome!



Meet Kelley Armstrong

Saturday, November 6th at 1:30 p.m.

An informal chat with the New York Bestselling author about her Darkest Powers trilogy and her next young adult novel "The Gathering".



Sock Animals with Laurie

Make your very own sock monkey or rabbit. Give it away to someone special or keep it for yourself!

Monday, November 8th and 15th @ 6:30 p.m. Cost \$3.00/person



Beading with Dianne

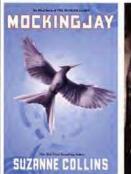
Saturday, November 20th at 11:00 a.m.

Cost \$3.00/person

Create an unique bracelet for yourself or as a gift. Materials and instruction provided.



New Fall Titles Young Adult Titles









Adult Programs

Adult Book Club @ 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 7th

~ The Night Watch by Sarah Waters Thursday, November 4th

~ The Private Papers of Eastern Jewel Thursday, December 2nd

~ The Secret River by Kate Grenville Thursday, January 6th

~ The Reliable Wife by Robert Goolrich

New Members Welcome!









Adult Afternoon Break @1:30 p.m. New Day!

Friday, September 24th ~ Keep Fit, Low Impact Exercise with Shelley Friday, October 29th ~ The West Elgin Nature Club with Marg Friday, November 26th ~ Catching Dreams with Pam

Everyone Welcome!

Scrabble Night @ 7:00 p.m. ~ last Thursday of each month

Do you like to play Scrabble? Bring a friend. Meet new people.



History of the Victorian Scrapbook Presentation and Workshop

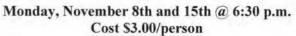
Presented by Fanshawe Pioneer Village

Saturday, October 23rd at 1:30 p.m. Cost \$5.50/ person ~ age 14 and up



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Computer Classes

Would you like to learn more about computers, the Internet and the many software programs available? Turn to the CAP section on page 2 of this flyer for more details of classes offered.

Wallacetown Women's Institute news

Kathy Minnema

On October 7, the Wallacetown Women's Institute met at Joe's Restaurant in West Lorne at 1:30 pm. There were six members, three invited members from West Lorne Women's Institute and one guest present. Vice President Kathy Minnema welcomed the guests and opened the meeting with the Mary Stewart Collect, the Institute Ode and the Lord's Prayer. Everyone present signed a get well card for President Helen Van Brenk who went in for surgery October 6 and is now at home recovering.

The convenors for this meeting were Darlene Ford and Joan McLandress. Joan read and commented on the Motto:" Don't Sweat the Small Stuff", which involved many interesting examples and frustrating antidotes. Darlene read the Roll Call: How do you unwind? Answers were: reading books, doing puzzles, going for a drive, coffee and TV, playing computer games, reading the paper and sleeping, playing on the keyboard, reading books about decorating and relaxing in the pool or by the fireplace.

Joan introduced the speaker for the afternoon, Shelley Vergeer from the West

Elgin Community Health Centre, who spoke on "Community Support Services for seniors", here

in West Elgin. The first was Meals on Wheels, which are delivered on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday's. They have a large variety of different meals to offer and need 1-2 days notice to deliver. With a collection of hot meals for \$6.00, frozen meals for \$4.75 and soups and desserts for \$1.50. All hot meals come from the Bobier Villa and the frozen meals are all from Ontario. For information call (519) 768-1715 Ext. 2210

Transportation is provided to appointments, to go shopping and to various social activities and programs both to the city and in our own community. They use only screened volunteers for this. You pay a fee for the service and \$0.35 per kilometre. To arrange a ride call Nancy Mott at the West Elgin Support Services (519) 768-

Friendly Visiting is also available in your home or by telephone for one hour to a senior or disabled adult on a regular basis. For this you call the Health Clinic at (519) 768 - 1715 Ext. 2210.

Telephone Reassurance Service gives you regular contact for your safety. For this, call the Health Clinic same as above phone number.

This was a very informative

questions asked of Shelley. Darlene then thanked Shelley for coming. Everyone enjoyed desserts and drinks served by owner of Joe's Restaurant.

The business portion of our meeting followed the lunch, which was supplied by Joan McLandress and Darlene Ford. The secretary's report was read by Joan McLandress and approved. Louie Lackey gave the treasurer's.

President Helen Van Brenk attended Elgin District W.I. meeting on September 13 at the Sunset Drive County Building. We served 95 at our Fair Dinner on October 1.

It was decided that each member would supply a door prize for our Christmas Türkey Dinner at Lakeview Gardens on

meeting and there were a lot of December 2 at noon. Louie Lackey will send out invitations to the other Institutes in Elgin.

Next meeting will be November 4 at 7pm. Speaker will be Mike McKechnie, pharmacist from Highland Pharmacy in Dutton. The topic is: Generic Drug Prices and question period on all drugs. Convenor is Louie Lackey. Motto: "Attitude" and poem -" Smiling is Infectious".

The ROLL CALL: Name the first prescription drug you ever took, what year it was and what it was for? Members are reminded to bring an article for the Toonie table and also supplies for the lunch.

This meeting is open to the public, held at the South Dunwich Community Hall in Wallacetown.

Meeting was adjourned.

Wallacetown Women's Institute News

Kathy Minnema

Oct 2010

On November 4, the Wallacetown W.I. met at the South Dunwich Hall at 7:00 p.m. There were six guests in attendance. This meeting was a Rose program. Convenor Louie Lackey welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with two poems, 'Attitude' and 'Smiling is infectious'.

Louie then introduced her guest speaker, pharmacist Mike McKechnie from the Highland Pharmacy located in Dutton, Port Stanley and Aylmer. Mike comes from a family of pharmacists from the Kincardine area. Both of his parents, grandfather, and his wife are all in this profession.

Mike brought with him a large quantity of cold and flu medications. All have a purpose, and in most cases, we tend to over medicate ourselves and children. Reading the labels are very important, and if you don't understand, don't hesitate to ask the pharmacist for help; they are only too glad to help, rather than see anyone take the wrong medication. It can prolong your illness and cost you money.

Most drugs come from large companies, which are multi-national. Brand names change because the patent has run out and can no longer be sold under that name. Also, the U.S. are buying drugs in larger quantities, so they get better choices than the

Canadian drug stores. This is very frustrating for the pharmacists.

Some things to be aware of: make sure there is enough information on the package, don't buy drugs online, and a large quantity can be a waste of money or a benefit if it works. Find a pharmacist that is trustworthy. This is ery important.

When it comes to unused medications, you are to return them to the pharmacist to dispose of them. What happens is they are all put into large containers and, once every two months, are picked up and then taken away by a company that incinerates them. The pharmacy has to pay for this service by the container. This is a much better solution then sending them to a landfill or into our water systems.

Always remember some medications cannot be mixed with everyday cold remedies. Always ask questions! It's your responsibility to know what you are taking! If in doubt, the old remedies like Vicks, honey and lemon, Buckley's, and good old chicken soup still are a hard act to follow. Louie thanked Mike for speaking to us after everyone had an opportunity to ask questions.

The Roll Call for this meeting was name the first prescription drug you took, what year, and what it was for! Some of the answers were penicillin, drugs bought through the mail (don't know what for), tonic, cod liver oil, mineral oil and ice cream. Mike brought door prizes with him so we had a draw.

The lucky winners were Kay Waite, Joyce Sutton and Shirley Vojin. Draws were then made from the Loonie table containers, and lunch was served.

President Helen Van Brenk opened the meeting and Kathy Minnema read the minutes of the last meeting. A meeting will be held on November 22 at Helen Van Brenk's to plan the 60th anniversary of Bill and Joan McLandress on January 23. Louie Lackey gave the treasurer's report. It was decided to give donations to groups in our community at this time.

Helen updated us on the Elgin County Museum activities, 'Elgin Barns' is on display until November 27. December 3-23 is 'Col. Talbot Comes Homes'. Also, there are quilt blocks going up in our area and one is on the nderson barn

The Iona Willing Workers are having Old Fashioned Family Christmas Bazaar" November 27 from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Iona Hall.

Louie Lackey read the poem from London Area Convention on 'To Our Volunteers: The Tweedsmuir Workshop next year will be held at Homeville on August 2. Helen also updated us on the Daffodil Tea happenings for next April.

Meeting was then adjourned. Next meeting is December 2 at noon at Lakeview Gardens. A 'Christmas turkey dinner'. Institute members, family, friends (men included) are all welcome. Contact Louie Lackey right away if you are interested.



Dear Women Institute Members:

Wallacetown Women's Institute is extending an invitation to your W.I. members and spouses or a friend to join us for a Turkey & Ham Dinner at Lakeview Gardens Restaurant in Eagle on Thursday, December 2rd at 12 noon.

Entertainment by Tracey -- Kevin & Marguerite with a variety of entertainment to celebrate the Festive Season. Great Door Trizes. The cost will be \$24 p.p. includes taxes & tip. Please reply by Nov. 15 with numbers and payment's to ---

Mrs. Louie Lackey
30785 Lakeview Line
RR 2 Wallacetown, Ontario
NOL 2M0
519 — 762- 5495 or 519-762-2990 - Darlene

Looking forward to your reply, as our membership is small, we hope to be able to get better aquainted with more Elgin W.I. members & celebrate the reason for the season !!!

localnews

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE: Kevin and Marguerite Alderton entertain

Wallacetown WI hosts eight clubs, 58 members at Lakeview

KATHY MINNEMA

For the Times-Journal

The Wallacetown Women's Institute met Dec. 2 at Lakeview Gardens and 58 people enjoyed a Christmas turkey dinner.

Eight Elgin WIs were represented: Boxall, Cla-

chan, Crinan, Kingsmill-Mapleton, Shedden, West Lorne, Yarmouth Glen, and Wallacetown.

Guests from the community and some husbands of members also attended.

Louie Lackey from Wallacetown WI welcomed everyone out for the day, then lead the Institute Grace before the meal.

Darlene Ford and Kathy Minnema drew names and gave 13 gifts donated by Wallacetown members. Lucky winners were Betty Rogers, Jim Ford, Pat Watterworth, Shirley Walker, Jean Gooding, Jim Sealey, Bill McLandress, Helen Van Brenk, Sharon Gilchrist, Mary Fluker, Cheryl Garvin, Pauline Lindsay, and Janet Quintin.

Entertainment for the day was provided by a talented couple from the Clachan area, Kevin and Marguerite Alderton.

Kevin Alderton played

a variety of songs — from Christmas to old-time favourites — on the piano while his wife sang. They also played a piano duet.

Louie Lackey thanked the Aldertons for an enjoyable afternoon.

Some of the ladies did a little Christmas shopping in Lakeview's gift shop before leaving.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, Jan. 6, at no on. A pot-luck dinner and progressive euchre card party will follow.

Anyone wishing to come out is welcome: just bring a dish and a friend, if possible.



Kothy Minnoma, Darlene Ford.



Louis Lockey.



WALLACETOWN WI: Arrangements discussed about couple's 60th anniversary

New year begins with pot-luck social, cards at community hall

For the Times-Journal

On Thursday, Jan. 6, at oon, the Wallacetown Women's Institute invited family and friends to a potluck social and a progressive euchre card party at the South Dunwich Community

There were 28 people in attendance, of which eight were members.

Conveners were Ruth Rueger and Doris Barber. John McIntyre gave the blessing before everyone enjoyed a wonderful lunch.

Door prizes were given out following the lunch. The winners were: Violet Coad; Joe Van Nuland; Bill McLandress; Darlene Ford; Jean De Vries; and John McIntyre.

A brief meeting was held by president Helen Van-Brenk. Minutes were read by Kathy Minnema. Sally McIntyre handed in her autobiography.

The winter picnic will be held Feb. 16 at noon at Fingal Presbyterian Church.

Wallacetown WI is in charge of setup for the daf-fodil tea, to be held at Bobier Villa on April 9. Workers must arrive no later than 8:30 a.m.

Arrangements were discussed regarding the 60th wedding anniversary of Joan and Bill McLandress on Sunday, Jan. 23, at South Dunwich Community Hall.

For the progressive euchre card party, there were six tables at play: ladies high, Marie Long; ladies lone hands, Beatrice Robbins; men's high, John De Vries; men's lone hands, Casper Vanden Broek.



The Ladies Auxiliary

Pictured is June 2010 of the Wardsville Bi-centennial quilt project completed at Beattle Haven. L-R: Eleanor Blain, Joan Lasbrook, Donna Miller, Els Huver, Corrine Fleming, Norma Mann, Peggy Fulmer, Sue Elliss and Sylvia Logan.

Beattie Haven's Ladies Auxiliary shines

Glenn Degraw Beattie Haven administrator

After donating \$2,000 in 2010 to assist Beattie haven in replacing the vegetable steamer in the kitchen, the Ladies Auxiliary of Beattie Haven donated another \$2,500 in 2011 to help accomplish several

Beattie Haven was ale to replace years old taped and tattered hymn books, have a guard built for the Hobart mixer in the Kitchen and upgrade the emergency lighting in all rooms with new LED versions that can also be used as portable flash

lights and a new liner for the fish pond.

The Ladies Auxiliary was established in 1996 when Beattie Haven opened for business and continues today with 12 members. The group raises funds in a number of ways from making quilts and raffling them off, to bake sales and an annual garage sale each year. Quilts can also be commissioned. The group has raised and donated in excess of \$40,000 over the years. The Ladies are always looking for new members and should anyone wish to join the group and assist with fundraising activities, please call Beattie haven at 519-693-4901.

2011 EXHIBITIONS

ElginCountyMuseum

Elgin County Administration Building, 4th Floor, 450 Sunset Drive (Hwy 4), St. Thomas, Ontario Tuesday to Saturday 10-4 • 519.631.1460 ext. 160

Remembering John McCrae

January 8 - April 9

Meet the man who wrote In Flanders Fields. Also on view are a number of original WWI sketches by H. W. Cooper and the story of how a Wallacetown native won a Victoria Cross at Vimy Ridge. On loan from Guelth Museums.



Patterns from the Past: **Hooked and Woven Textiles** April 16 - September 3

Highlights include early hooked rugs from prominent local collections, a number of period overshot and Jacquard coverlets and a series of demonstrations of a variety of textile skills.



Changing Gears: Elgin County Industry in the 20th Century September 17 – December 23

This exhibition illustrates the region's transition from a reliance on several US railways to the opening of a number of American branch plants producing auto parts and vehicles, crowned by the arrival of the Ford plant in Talbotville in 1967.

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Cards of Thanks
Thanks to all for making the Cancer Tea held April 9, 2011 at Bother Villa a great success.

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Oil parting done by ANNA JEAN ANNETT-From MiddLEMARCH W. I. scean From Butchart GARDENS ON YANCOUVER Island.



Cancer Tea at The Bobier Villa on April 9th 2011

& Helen VANBRENK 2 Shirley Walket

