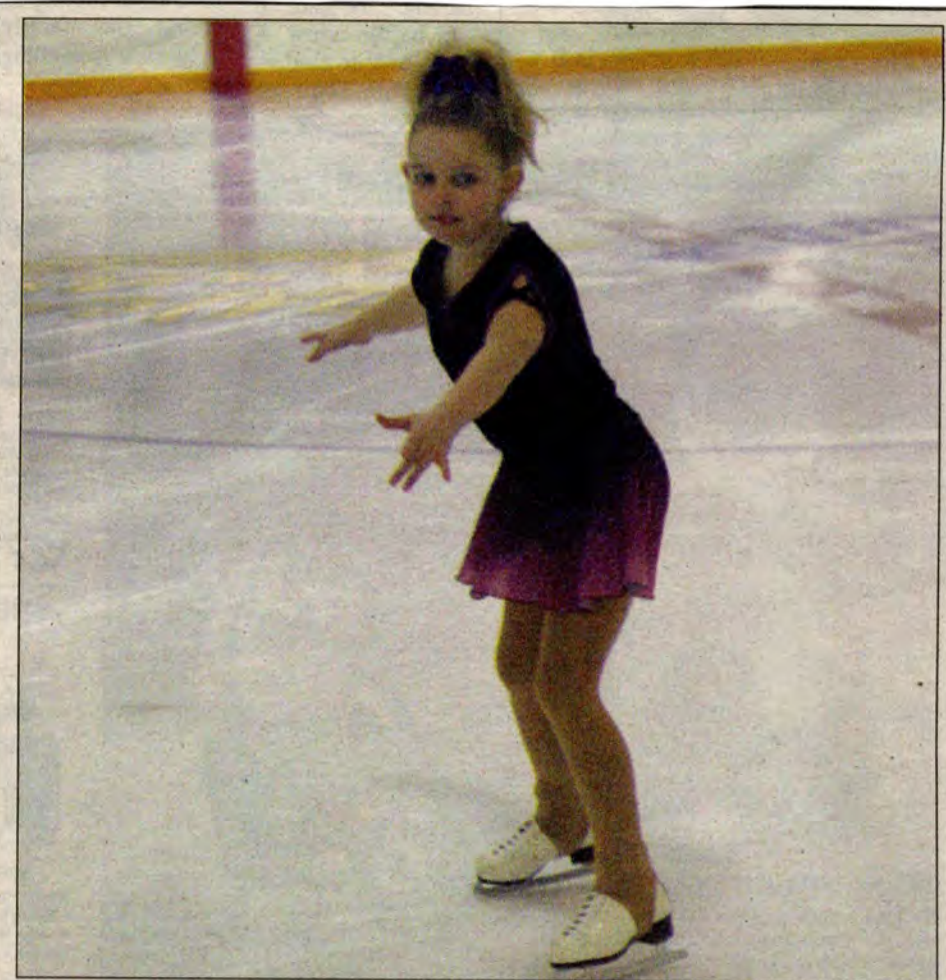




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Skaters show grace on skates

Abbey Fleming performed her solo routine at the West Elgin Skating Club Showcase on Feb. 7



Novice Gold

Back Row:
Trainer/Manager Sidonia Woolley,
Assistant Coach Steve De Cook,
Assistant Coach Ed Van Dyk, Head Coach Terry Woolley

Middle row
Mac McKillop, Quinn Cooper, Jamieson Smith, Courtney Van Dyk, Jenna Verboom, Brandon De Cook, Gere Van Dyk

Front row: William Woolley, Cassidy Van Dyk Rachel Frizzell, Cal Horvath and Cole Redmond Missing are Jodie Aldred and Eric De Louw.



Skating Club showcases talents

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The West Elgin Skating Club held a Skaters' Showcase on Monday to show off the talents of the hard-working skaters. Payton Snobelen, above performed her solo routine in the second group and Kassie Bergey and Matthew Westelaken, below, performed one of two pairs routines.

Local skaters win gold at Fort Erie competition



SUBMITTED

West Elgin Skating Club dance pairs of Kelsey Fratscher and Matt Westelaken; right and Kaitlyn Lambert and Chris Van Raay, left, received gold medals at the Dennis Silverthorne Memorial

Invitational (formerly Great Lakes), Jan. 13 and 14.

Coached by Patsy McGill, centre, and Kelly Lambert both pairs will be competing at the qualifiers for the all-Ontario's in Aylmer Feb. 17.

Runner competes in Chicago Marathon

Former Rodney resident Roberta Reardon (Miller) finished 16th out of 576 in her age class at the annual Chicago Marathon Oct. 9.

The 50-year-old high school teacher from London completed the 45 kilometer run at a time of 3 hours and 44 minutes.

She finished 6,437 out of more than 33,000 runners on the chilly day in the Windy City.

It was her first big marathon since the Boston marathon this past April.

She continues to train in preparation for the next Boston Marathon.

"Schnek" a top Canadian rider



Ben Schneidenburger won in Walton

With a little help from the rains, Ben Schneidenburger of the Rodney area won the 125 Junior A series event at a recent national motocross event in Walton.

Months of training payoff

Ben
Jeff Kempenaar
Staff

Schneidenburger hopes a win at a motocross event in Walton late last month will help him drive into the pros.

"Schnek" won the 125 Junior A series at the Canadian Motocross Racing Championships, beating the best amateur riders from across the country at the Walton TransCanada National Championship Aug. 16-21.

Sitting in first after two races, the third race was cancelled because of rain and Schneidenburger reached the top of the podium.

In front of thousands of people he received his trophy.

"It felt great. I had been training for four months, getting my diet right and riding a lot," said the 18-year-old West Elgin youth.

Out of 42 drivers, Schneidenburger qualified 11th going into the race and wasn't expected to win.

"But I knew I could do it. I went there to win," he said.

He also finished 5th in a Grand Prix race with intermediate and pro drivers of all ages.

Now, he plans to move up a class into the intermediate series.

This includes an event at the RICO Colosseum in Toronto next month.

While he's planning to play for the West Lorne Lakers' Junior D hockey team this fall, he is also weighing his options to race in the U.S., to get training and move up to the pros.

Looking over the list of past 125 Junior A winners, all of the riders have gone pro, which means riding full-time, all over, and getting sponsors.

"I've played hockey for a long time but once I got my first bike, I fell in love with it."



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PeeWees in tough

Daniel Alderton of the West Lorne PeeWee local team battles an opposing Wallaceburg player Friday night in regular season play. West Lorne won 4-2. Jason Ambrose scored twice in his first game ever. Jamie and John Williams also scored. David Given got the win in net for the team.

Lakers move on to face Lucan

▶ *Second round begins, home game March 12*

Next up, Lucan. West Lorne Lakers opened the second round Yeck Conference Junior D semi-final series in Lucan March 9. The regular season series was 2-2-1 between the Lakers and the first place Irish. The Irish beat the Belmont Bombers in four straight games to advance to the second round, out scoring the Bombers 31-7. The Lakers upset the second seed Lambeth Lancers in Game 7 of the quarter final Sunday night in Lambeth 4-3. Brandon Palmer made 49 saves for the victory including in the final minutes as Lambeth pulled their goaltender for an extra attacker. "Laker's hard work, discipline, timely goals

and some outstanding goaltending from Brandon were the keys to victory over a very talented Lambeth team," said assistant coach Lyle Bedford. Drew Irvine scored the winning goal early in the third period when he grabbed a loose puck, worked his way past defenders and slid the puck under the goaltender. Luke Hopkins one-timed a pass from Brady Campbell on the power play to put the Lakers up 3-2 in the second period. Matt Bartoch and Matt Willis scored in the first period. In Game 6, in West Lorne, the Lakers gave the Lancers hope of taking the series with a 6-4 loss.

Untimely penalties opened the door for two Lancer power-play goals. The Lakers also gave up a shorthanded breakaway goal by ex-Laker captain Paul Bray and an empty net goal when Palmer was pulled before the Lakers could move the puck out of their own end. Justin Rowles, Drew Irvine, Brady Campbell and Luke Hopkins scored in Game 6 in front of a large crowd at West Lorne arena. Game 2 of the second round is in West Lorne on March 12 at 7:30 p.m. and Game 3 is in Lucan March 13 at 1:45 p.m. and Game 4 is in West Lorne March 15 at 8:15 p.m. Game 5 is March 16 in Lucan and Game 6 would be in West Lorne March 17.

Lakers lose to Lambeth

West Lorne Lakers fired 40 shots at the Lambeth Lancers net but couldn't score enough, losing 5-3 Jan. 17. Jason Korman, Jeff Kimel and Ryan Roke tallied goals for the Lakers. The Lakers also lost in a wild game, 9-7 in Mount Brydges Jan. 20 to fall to 10-22-2 on the season with six games remaining. Still, the Lakers hold a five point grasp on the final playoff spot. The Lakers next home game is Jan. 31 at 8:15 p.m. against Mitchell.

Bittersweet ending to Lakers season

Jeff Kempenaar
Staff

An up and down first season ended last Sunday night with the West Lorne Lakers losing 5-1 in Game 7 of the Junior D semi-finals. Overcoming a 3-1 series deficit the Lakers couldn't win in Game 7 sending the Mt. Brydges Bulldogs to the Junior D final versus the Hagersville Hawks. The loss was bittersweet as the Lakers had upset the second place team, Lambeth in Game 7 of the first round and the first place team, Lucan in Game 7 of the second round. "We're a little disappointed because we thought we could have made it to the finals," said team owner Wayne Bedford. "We can't be disappointed with their performance. The boys played hard. I'm proud of the whole team, coaches, trainers

and the fans." Having upset the two best teams and impressively winning Game 5 and 6 against Mt. Brydges, Laker's rookie coach Kyle McVey said the team was overconfident. "I'm proud of the guys but we should have played desperate hockey," said McVey, 23-years-old. "It was a tough season with the challenge of moving the team but we played 21 more games than we thought we would." The Lakers had a regular season record of 16-20-4 and had not been expected to make it past the first round of the playoffs. "The whole team played well but (the Bulldogs) had more depth," said McVey. "I expected 100 per cent effort but we ran out of gas."

Please see Lakers, page 13



BONNIES PHOTOGRAPHY
Chris Van Raay of the West Elgin Skating Club and Kaitlyn Lambert of the Glencoe Skating Club tied for second in competition in Ottawa April 17.

Skaters get silver

Chris Van Raay of the West Elgin Skating Club and Kaitlyn Lambert of the Glencoe Skating Club tied for second place in Level 3 Dance competition at the Gloucester Spring Festival Inventionals held April 17 in Ottawa. After placing second in Mooretown, last fall, they were among the 35 chosen out of 85 applicants for the Skate Canada - Western Ontario Development team. Kaitlyn and Chris received a lot of support and knowledge from their coaches Patsy McGill, Kelly Lambert and Greg Knight. These coaches contributed to their successful season of skating.

Novice gold finishes second

On Feb. 25, West Lorne Novice Gold won their fifth playoff game against West Lorne Black team. WLN Gold won 6 to 4. Then on March 4, WLN Gold held their sixth playoff game against the Dresden Maroons on home ice and West Lorne won 4 to 3. Then on March 5, we travelled to Belmont for an exhibition game, once again W.L.N. Gold came out the winners 6 to 2. The kids played fast and hard. The team was still pumped from the win from the night before. WLN Gold held their seventh playoff game against Walpole and lost 8 to 3, but what a game. The team came together and played hard till the bitter end. This did not stop them from going on. WLN Gold travelled to Glencoe for their final playoff game on March 12. Determined to win their last game the team turned up the heat right from the get go, and it paid off. We won 8 to 2. It was a complete effort by the whole team. During the March Break we travelled to Belmont on March 17 for their annual Novice tournament their first game was against Belmont and we tied 3 to 3. It was a fast paced game and an excellent effort by the whole team. MVP for this game was Cassidy Van Dyk. In order to make it to the finals, the team had to win the next game with a shutout. They came out hard and laid it on South East London, walking away with a 6 to 0 victory. MVP for this game was Rachel Frizzell. WLN Gold advanced to the final round for the "B" Division and played against Ingersoll. What a fast paced game and a hard played game. The team came together once again and won the game 6 to 5. MVP for this game was Brandon De Cook; the three star players for this game were Cassidy Van Dyk, Cal Horvath and Cole Redmond. Then Saturday March 19 we traveled to Bothwell for our playoff divisional games. With the team still pumped from Thursday's win, they beat Dresden 6-0. WLN Gold played hard and organized to take the win! W.L.N. Gold still pumped went to play for the title played against Walpole. Walpole had not lost a game all year. Walpole was leading 3 to 0 in the first period, when WLN Gold decided it was time to turn on the heat. With 29 seconds left in the first period WLN Gold scored its first goal. Going into our second period we scored two more goals tying it up 3 to 3. With one minute left in the third period West Lorne kept Walpole on the run, putting the pressure on. With only 32 seconds left in the third, Walpole scored their fourth goal, but still West Lorne played hard till the bitter end. Walpole won 4 to 3, but all our players should be very proud of their efforts in all their games this year. WLN Gold came in second in their division. The coaching staff are very proud of our team. They all have come a long way since the beginning of the season. What a great season we had, keep up the great moves girls/guys. West Lorne Novice Gold you are a truly are an awesome team.



GLENN HOUGHTON/AGE DISPATCH

Lakers make hits and have a chance

Bulldogs forward Graham Scott is taken out by Lakers defence man Travis Reddy during the first period of Game 1 in the conference final series in Mt. Brydges last week.



Bantam Local

CONTRIBUTED

The Bantam Local League team won the Tri-County House League Playoffs March 26 in Dresden. The team is, front row left to right: Matthew Schweitzer, Matt Burdett, Mike Parezanovic, Greg Speller-Captain, Andrew Baird - Goalie, Leigh Buchanan, Michael Johnston-Assistant Captain, Kyle Petric. Back row, standing left to right, Carl Everett, Rob Schnekenburger - Head Coach, Taylor Trudell, Ron Jenkins -Assistant Captain, Adam Sutton, Ty Schnekenburger, Matt Zoller, Tammy Everett - Trainer, Christine Johnston - Manager, Dave Ivanski - Assistant Coach, Al Zoller - Assistant Coach.



Skating Carnival sells out

The West Elgin Skating Club offered two sold out shows at the arena Saturday afternoon and evening. Featuring the theme "Animation World", skaters performed to songs from Disney films to Saturday morning cartoons. Above, skaters perform to Beauty and the Beast while bottom, left, Amy Oliveira is Snow White. A special tribute was made to Beth Evans, a long-time member of the club who died last year. Her parents came back from Florida to present Adam McKillop with the first of an annual Beth Evans Memorial Award. Pictured are dance pair Kaitlyn Lambert and Chris Van Raay who skated a tribute number to Beth. Beside them is Allister and Carolyn Cameron, Beth's parents, with Adam who received the award at the evening performance.

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Azevedo returns to Rangers

Jeff Kempenaar
Staff

Justin Azevedo, from West Lorne, returned to the Kitchener Rangers last Friday after playing for Team Ontario at the World Under 17 Challenge in Lethbridge Alberta.

Azevedo, 17-years-old, made his first appearance in an international tournament and helped his team get to the bronze medal game against a team from the Atlantic provinces.

He had two goals and four assists for the Ontario squad

which finished fourth in the tournament.

His parents, Carlos and Liz of West Lorne made the trip to Lethbridge to watch Justin play against some of the best under-aged players in the world.

He has played 30 games for the Rangers and racked up six goals and 11 assists putting him 17th in rookie scoring.

Local fans can see Azevedo and the Rangers play in London Jan. 13 against the league leading Knights at 7 p.m. at the John Labatt Centre.

Arvai top defencemen for second time in American College Hockey

West Lorne-native Shaun Arvai was honoured for the second time this season as top defensive player of the week in American College Hockey.

The Alabama-Huntsville hockey team was honoured for the fourth time in six weeks as junior player. Arvai helped anchor a defense corps that allowed six goals on 47 shots to visiting RIT, and led the Chargers to a pair of 4-3 non-conference wins, and the team's first winning non-conference record since joining the CHA.

Feb. 3, Arvai scored his second

goal of the season cleaning up a rebound on a power play tally in the first period to give the Chargers a 2-0 lead. He later assisted on the game-winning marker mid-way through the third period to give the Chargers the 4-3 result.

Feb. 4, Arvai again set-up a game winner.

That weekend, Arvai was a +2. This is the second CHA Defensive Player of the Week award for Arvai. He was honoured on Nov. 14 after a four-assist performance against Niagara that tied a UAH record for assists in a period.



Shelby Neilson

Nielson to skate with the stars

Shelby Nielson is more excited than ever these days. The West Elgin Skating Club skater will be lacing up to skate in the Parade of Champions when the National Figure Skating Championships come to the John Labatt Centre, in London next week. Nielson won the opportunity by lottery. Wyeth Consumer Healthcare Inc. (Centrum), puts this annual lottery together for Canada's young skaters. Each skater registered with Skate Canada Western Ontario Section between the ages of 4 to 16 was eligible to win the honour.

The Canadian Championships will be held Jan. 17-23. CTV and TSN will be broadcasting live coverage of the final events Thursday through Sunday. Nielson will be accompanying Skate Canada's Ambassadors and Pair Skaters Megan Wing and Aaron Lowe during the Parade of Champions which will follow the final medal ceremony on Sunday at 3 p.m. Nielson says she feels like she's won a million dollars. "I'm thrilled to have the chance to meet the skaters I watch each season. I'm especially excited to see Jeff Buttle again who skated for our 50th Anniversary last year." Nielson won't just be representing West Elgin, but all young skaters across Canada and is more than honoured to do so.

Shelby is the Granddaughter of W.I. member Mary Liepmann

Wildcats tie Alumni with



Wildcats beat Alumni

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Greg Gangle is stopped on a penalty shot by Alumni goalie Johnny Thrust in the last two minutes of the first-ever Wildcats Alumni game at the West Lorne Arena on Jan. 7.

Lakers' Dufton gets top nod

West Lorne Lakers forward Jordan Dufton was named Ontario Hockey Association Junior Development player of the year at the 116th annual general meeting Saturday in St. Catharines.

The 20-year-old University of Western Ontario student received a \$500 bursary award and trophy.

Dufton finished third in league scoring with 33 goals and 30 assists for 63 points in 38 games and only 10 penalty minutes. He was the Jr. D player of the month for January.

Dufton added another 12 goals and 10 assists during the Lakers playoff run to the Yeck Conference final. He was the Lakers MVP and Miller Ford player of the year.



Ladies' win in the rain

Marilyn Goodhue of Fingal passes up the field during the Strikeforce, West Lorne women's soccer team game June 15. Nancy Arn and Kim Boughner scored for Strikeforce for a 2-1 win under rainy skies.

WESES wins first boys basketball medal

The West Elgin Sr. Elementary School Boys Basketball Team captured the bronze medal March 4 and 5 at the Thames Valley District School Board's AAA Boys Basketball Championships held in London.

Throughout the season, the WESES boys have worked hard on all aspects of their game to raise the level of play in order to compete against the perennial powers in basketball.

According to coach Dean McLenaghan, "The tenacious defence has been one of the keys to the team's success."

The other is the standout play of Grade 8 student Michael Godfrey. Averaging 15-20 points per game, contributing just as many rebounds, and working as part of a true team system, Godfrey has made a name for himself throughout the school board, and the success of the WESES Eagles has raised some eyebrows around the valley. "It has been an absolutely thrilling basketball season with unbelievable improvement by our thirteen players."

In regular season action, the Eagles finished with a 6-2 record, good enough for second place in the Southwest Region. In the playoffs, the WESES boys went up against the team from Southwold with the West Elgin guys winning handily by a score of 55-12. In the final, WESES would face their archrivals from Homedale.

The West Elgin boys came out strong as

they held Homedale to only seven points in the first half. In the second half, Homedale came at the Eagles with everything they had, but in the end, WESES was victorious in a thriller, 29-27 to claim Southwest Regional Gold.

With the win, WESES would expect to be ranked fairly high in the TVDSB Finals.

However, the fifth place ranking out of the final eight was a little surprising. Undaunted, the West Elgin boys tipped off against the first ranked team from Westmount. Although our local guys played tough, they came away on the short end of the 38-26 score. In their second game, WESES was in a must win situation as the loser would be eliminated. Facing the same team from Davenport who West Elgin had lost to earlier in the year 52-26, WESES came out flying with their impenetrable defence. The Davenport coach remarked, "my team hasn't seen defence like that all year." The fifth seeded Eagles upset the third seeded Davenport team in a nail biter 27-25 as Michael Godfrey led the way with a team high 15 points.

It was on to the semi-finals and WESES was in tough against the second seed from Orchard Park. Once again the boys from West Elgin demonstrated a strong desire to win, but fell by a score of 37-28.

In the bronze medal final, WESES, for the fourth straight game, would face a team ranked higher - this time the fourth ranked Glen Caim

Huskies team from London. In a game where it was an entire team effort, WESES stunned the London team and tournament organizers, with a convincing 33-24 win as Godfrey scored 19 and Dylan Weselowski chipped in with nine and captured the title of "Third best basketball team in Thames Valley."

McLanaghan described the year as simply unbelievable. "I had some idea how good Godfrey was, but when we played the best teams in the valley over the weekend I really got to see his potential," said McLanaghan. "He dominated the opposition on the boards, he can bring the ball up the court if necessary, he'll take the outside shot, nail the free throws, and is, in my opinion, the best basketball player in Thames Valley in Grade 7 or 8."

Having said that, McLanaghan continued, "Basketball is a team game and the solid play of Milos Agbaba, Troy Cook, John-Gregory Drummelsmith, William Feere, Jonathan Godfrey, Mike Johnston, Drew Lebedz, Kelsey McConnell, Andrew McWilliam, Brendan Munn, Allan Percival, and Dylan Weselowski cannot be understated in this drive through the playoffs." Mr. Roos takes over coaching where, no doubt, they'll raise some more eyebrows. Who knows, maybe there will be an OFSAA trip for some of these guys down the road in basketball. I'll be cheering for them.

"This is a great group of boys!"



A-T Choppers coming to West Lorne

SUBMITTED

A-T Choppers skating team will perform at the West Elgin Skating Club Carnival this Saturday. The team is, back, left to right: Joe Chetcuti, April Ricker, Jamie Pake, Dianne Vitias, Jim Hathaway, Michelle McMullen, Susan Joyes, Ara Bowles. Middle: the late Carrie Walter, Lisa Freeman, Natalie Bergeron, Irene Deveau, Julie Davey, Melanie Watters and Sara Shrubbsall. Front: coach Lois Hathaway. Absent: Melinda Jones and Casey Rutter.

West Lorne Midget hockey team finishes winning season

The West Lorne Midget hockey team started their season with 12 skaters and two goalies.

The Comets had a few lucky breaks and won a few games along the way. On the first of December,

the Comets traveled to Markdale (near Owen Sound) which was a turning point in their season.

The boys played hard and won the confidence of each other.

After Christmas they

played an exhibition game against a tough AE team from Bothwell which they won and the Comets never looked back. In league play, West Lorne did not lose a game after that and tied only one. The for-

wards; Sam Smith, Chuck Smith, Alvery Smith, Ryan Brown, Steve Nagy, Matt McLandress, Tyler Reid and Sean Zimmerman all scored when needed. Our defence: Dave Ward, Adam Clark, Phil Oulette and Grant McMillan did a stand up job of keeping the puck out of our end. Goalies Derek VanHee and Patrick Whalen were awesome all season between the pipes coming up with saves that left the crowds on their feet cheer-

ing. Somewhere along the way, these individuals that started playing as a family. Working together as a team the Comets came up victorious against Mooretown in the Tri-County 'B' Division ending their season. The parents, grandparents and fans are proud of the boys for a season well done.

The coaches: Mike Clark, Jim Arvai, Steve Nagy and Mike Whalen praised this group of boys about being a team.



West Lorne Midget end season on a high

SUBMITTED

Parents of the West Lorne Midget hockey team look forward to a being one big family next season and picking up where they left off - as winners.

WEST LORNE W.I. 2004

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2003-2004



Meetings 1st Tuesday of the Month
7:30 PM
West Elgin Town Complex

JANUARY 6 - "Travel"

Roll Call : My farthest trip from home.

Motto: Travel east, travel west, after all home is best.

Program: Leola Lawrence & Fran Graham

FEBRUARY - Winter Picnic

MARCH 2 - "Leadership & Development"

Roll Call : How to keep a family strong.

Motto: Change is what keeps us fresh.

Program: Anita VanRaes & MaryBelle Watterworth

APRIL 6 - Annual Meeting & Silent Auction

Roll Call : Name the best thing you have bought at a garage sale.

Motto: Your trash is someones treasures.

Program: Twila McWilliams & Marybelle Cook

MAY 4 - "Family & Consumer Affairs"

Roll Call : How to relieve tension

Motto: Laughter is the sustainer of life and best of all physicians

Program : Shirley Walker & Olive Chambers

JUNE - Trip

MEETINGS FOR 2004 - 2005

September 7 : "Business & Industry"

Roll Call : If you could invent something, what would it be?

Motto: Talent is what you are blessed with. Skill is how you take care of the gift.

Program : Leola Lawrence & Mary Lippold

OCTOBER 5 - "Agriculture"

Roll Call : If you could spend the day in the country, how would you spend it?

Motto: The only thing that ever sat its way to success was a hen.

Program: Mary Liepmann & Gwen McIn

MEET AT THE TOWN COMPLEX BY 6:30 PM.

NOVEMBER 2- "Health Issues"

Roll Call : How do you cope with stress?

Motto: A balanced diet is not a cookie in each hand.

Program : Helen Mooser & MaryBelle Watterworth

DECEMBER - Play in Dutton, Sunday Matinee

Pot Luck Christmas Supper at West Elgin Town Complex followed by Secret Pal Gifts & Sing Song

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January - Jean Bell spoke on life in Newfoundland
February - Winter picnic
March - donated to Beattie Haven for water
- Colin Kittmer for Spinal Cord Injury - "A Thousand"
May - We entertained our "twin" Bopall W.I. to
a luncheon, played bingo + had a sing song.
- District Annual in Fingal 4 members to attend
15 - We hosted a coffee hour for the cancer
counsellors
June - Pot luck lunch then watched the video
Calendar Girls.
Sept - Tom Lamb spoke on the new turbine at Erie.
Oct - Toured the Coyote Ridge arena at Crisen
- Shannon Kindornay received the bursary
presented by Gwen McIn.
- We donated a Roast Beef Dinner for Ten at
the Cancer Tea - Helen Mooser won the draw
Nov - Joy Scafe spoke on stress
- Mary Lippold laid wreath Nov. 11
Dec - W. E. S. S. band entertained

WEST LORNE W.I. 2005

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Nancy Kettner

JANUARY 4 - " Education" Rose Program

Roll Call : Tell a memory of school days.

Motto: If you think education is costly, try ignorance.

Program: Shirley Walker POT LUCK LUNCH AT NOON.

FEBRUARY - Winter Picnic

MARCH 1 - " Fire Prevention"

Roll Call : Do you have a fire extinguisher in your home?

Motto: Home safety

Program: Fran Graham & Anna Okolisan

APRIL 5 - Annual Meeting & Auction

Roll Call : How to increase membership?

Motto: Don't sit on the fence.

Program: Anita VanRaes & Mary Liepmann

MAY 3 - " The Red Hat Society"

Roll Call : Name an important woman in the world & her position (living or dead)

Motto: Today's child is tomorrow citizen.

Program : Olive Chambers & Shirley Walker

JUNE - Grand Bend Theatre & Supper at Aunt Gussie

FOR WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEETINGS

MOTTO : " For Home and Country"

At the first Women's Institute Convention held in 1902 a request for a motto and bage resulted in the appointment of a committee to receive suggestions and make suitable selections. From the entries received, the motto " For Home and Country " suggested by Miss Laura Rose was chosen in 1902.

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE GRACE

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

In 1950 the Women's Institute Grace, composed by Mrs. Clara Lintell Deakin of Ottawa area, was accepted by the Provincial Board. It is sung to the tune of " Old Hundred ".

- April - Served coffee to Cancer Canvassers
May - We hosted the Red Hat Society.
- donated to Bobier Villa for hearing devices
- Shirley Walker, Anita VanRaes and daughters hosted tea room at Bobier.
June - Lovely pot luck lunch at our president's Mary Liepmann's home.
Oct - Vicky Shelley spoke on children with special needs
- Gwen McInain presented bursary to Jolene Peterneel
- Cancer Tea at Elgin Manor.
Nov - We held a luncheon, our guest speaker was Scotty Bell, a World War II veteran.
Dec - We attended a play "Little House of Horrors" in Dutton then returned for our annual turkey dinner, bingo and sing song.

ELGIN DISTRICT W.I. 2004

ELGIN COUNTY DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



ELGIN COUNTY DISTRICT 7 YEARS DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY MAY 12, 2004

POT LUCK SUPPER 5.30

Registration 6.45

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Museum Rep.....	Joan Mansell	631-1623
Farm Safety.....	Mary Ann Caughell	769-2239
LAMP.....	Faye Thorn	782-4149
Financial Ex.....	Joanne Erickson	631-0433
Financial Ex.....	Joan Mansell	631-1623
Nominating Committee....		
	Shirley Walker.....	768-1095
	Orlie Vandenbrink.....	775-2487
	Audrey James.....	773-3537
Pianist.....	Shirley Walker	

PAC MEMBER subdivision 18.....Ruth Axford.....269-9974
4567 Elgin Road Mosley, Ont.-N0L 1V0

Registration: 6:45-7:00

Hostess Branches-Boxall & West Lorne

**Each Branch is to bring \$7.00 for the Museum*

Strawberry Social-June 23, 2004 1:30-4:00

**If you are paying by cheque make it payable to CASH*

GIVE money to Eleanor McMillan at registration

**Each Branch is to bring Articles for the London Convention*

Area Craft Store-Pauline Lindsay

DISTRICT DIRECTORS

Please sit where designated.

7:00-Welcome-Ode and Mary Stewart Collect

Ratification of Branch District Directors-Ruth Axford

Minutes of 2003 District Annual as circulated

Treasurer's Report

Financial Examiner's Report

• Correspondence

Business

President's Address

In Memoriam.....Wallacetown

Reports:

Education Co-Ordinator

Public Relations Officer

Lobbying Convener

Farm Safety Representative

Elgin Pioneer Museum Rep.

Tweedsmuir History Curator

Lamp

Roll Call-2 people-One to present Pennies and get Receipt.

Other to give the number of members, how many are here today and **ONE** interesting thing the Branch did in the past year.

Museum, coffee break and bazaar-Dec. 4, 2004.

Clachan & Yarmouth Glenn

Light & Lively-Yarmouth Glenn

8 PM 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.

Introduction of Guests-

FWIO PAC member subdivision 18 report-Ruth Axford

Election of Officers.....Eleanor Williams

Collection.....Hostess Branches

• **New Business.....District Annual 2005**

Invitation- Wallacetown & Sparta

Courtesies.....Mary Ann Caughall

Closing.....

O Canada

NOTE: POT LUCK SUPPER at 5.30 Please bring

your own dishes and cutlery.

ELGIN DISTRICT W.I. 2005



JEFF KEMPENAAR/THE CHRONICLE

Women's Institute holds winter picnic

Helen McMillan of the Clachan Women's Institute gives a cup of coffee to Gwen McLain of the West Lorne Women's Institute at the winter picnic at Grace Anglican Hall in West Lorne Feb. 15.

LONDON AREA
WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



91st ANNUAL CONVENTION

THEME:

"W.I. is Alive in 2005 !"

LOCATION:

Caradoc Community Centre
Lions Park Drive
Mount Brydges

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2005

MIDDLESEX EAST, MIDDLESEX NORTHWEST,
ELGIN COUNTY

PERTH SOUTH, HURON SOUTH, HURON WEST,
OXFORD DISTRICT

ELGIN DISTRICT W.I. 2005

PROGRAM FOR 2005
LONDON AREA CONVENTION
TUESDAY A.M. OCTOBER 4

CHAIR: Glenna Ladell

One branch delegate and two delegates from each district are asked to sit in the designated section and to report back to their members.

Associated Country Women of the World memberships are available in the morning and at noon.

Bring your name, address and membership number.

Federated News subscriptions are also available.

Pay by cheque only (separate cheques)

ACWW memberships (\$40.00)

Federated news (\$5.00)

8:45 a.m. Registration. Secretaries of the 7 Districts.

Reception: Lois Baker, Betty McIntyre, Jean Campbell

Coffee Hour: South Lobo

9:25 a.m. Time to Sing: Melbourne Pianist: Betty McIntyre

Presentation of Flags: Past Presidents: F. Hyatt, E. Williams

Sing: O Canada

March in: 7 District Banners

Institute Ode

Mary Stewart Collect

Welcome: President Middlesex N W – Marg Harris

How to vote-

In Memoriam: Model

Acceptance of Minutes of 2004 Convention

Financial Report: Grace Campbell

Financial Examiners Report: Muriel McCallum

Correspondence

Roll Call: Responsibility of 7 District Presidents

Each president to give a 2-minute summary of happenings in her district in 2004-2005

President's Address: Glenna Ladell

CHAIR: Anne Innes

Light and Lively: Mount Brydges

F.W.I. O. President: Elsie Stephenson

Erland Lee Presentation:

Nomination of Area Voting Delegate and Alternate

Nomination of Provincial Board Director –Southern Region

Introduce Nominees

Collection: Kerwood

Report of Provincial Conference- Donna Willows

Comments on Displays: V. President – Middlesex N W - Joyce Morgan

Announcements: Anne Innes

12:00 p.m. Sing Institute Grace

Adjourn for lunch catered by Donna Patterson

Country Store: Napier, Ilderton

AFTERNOON SESSION

CHAIR: Eleanor Williams

1:30 p.m. Hymn of All Nations

Greetings from visiting Area Presidents:

Southwestern, Guelph. Grey-Bruce

F.Y.I. Sandra Pearson – VON - 100 Years of Service

Jim Poag – Poag Jewellers – Appraisals and Values of Your Jewellery

Lite and Lively: Mount Brydges

Presentation to Competition Entrants and Blue Hat Challenge

Reports: ALL PRINTED PLEASE READ

Convenor's: 2-Minute Reports

Advocacy Convenor: Eleanor Williams

Rose Coordinator: Mary Veenstra

Public Relations: Marlene Coulthard

Tweedsmuir Curator: Janet Gibson

Children's Hospital: Donna Willows

Western Fair Association: Katherine McNaughton

Quilts, Quills and Bears – Susan Christie

Break:

Time to Sing: Melbourne

Entertainment: Strathroy Community Christian School Chamber Choir

CHAIR: Glenna Ladell

Area Voting Delegates: Marlene Archer

Joan Mansell

Provincial Board Directors: Marian Austin

Glenna Ladell

Treasurer's Report of Convention: Grace Campbell

Election of Officers: Elsie Stephenson

New Business:

Invitation for Convention 2006 and Courtesies: Flora Rath

Announcements:

Head Table Guests: Ilene Chesterman

ELGIN DISTRICT W.I. 2005

NOTES

BANQUET

CATERED BY DONNA PATTERSON

October 4, 2005

5:30 p.m.

PIPER: J.J. McLACHLAN

CHAIR: GLENNA LADELL

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE GRACE

TOAST TO THE QUEEN

TOAST TO THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE GUESTS: Ilene Chesterman

GREETINGS: Warden of Middlesex County - Tom McLaughlin

PRESENTATION OF THE DOROTHY FUTCHER SCHOLARSHIP:
Joan Mansell

PRESENTATION OF THE MARYN PARDY SCHOLARSHIP:
Marlene Archer

MAYOR OF STRATHROY AND CARADOC TOWNSHIP - Mel Veale

ENTERTAINMENT - Vocal Federation

PRESENTATIONS:

CLOSING CEREMONY: RETIRE FLAGS AND BANNERS

SING: ROYAL ANTHEM

2005 LONDON AREA CONVENTION DECLARED CLOSED

Appraisals - \$45.00 1st 10 - 15 all
other

39 Quilts - sold 64 Show

Bears - knit go to Third World
Blue Hat - Prize Winner
Ann McLean #5

Mary Veestra #4

Jean Netherly #3

Marlene Archer #2

Luth Muth #1

Old barns -

New -

Wedding features

Schools

Bridges

Tues Aug 1st Coldstream

Hosp. - baby slippers

Prayer shawl