

WEST ELGIN W.I. HOLD PICNIC

One hundred members of the West Elgin District Women's Institute met in the Wallacetown Hall for the annual Winter Picnic Monday, January 8th, 1990.

Pres. Mrs. Sally McIntyre made the opening remarks after which a bountiful "Picnic" supper hosted by Tryconnell members, was enjoyed.

The introduction of special guests which included officers from East Elgin followed. The group then moved to the upstairs hall where a variety program, entitled "Let me entertain you", was presented.

Members from each branch of the Institute within the West Elgin district presented five minutes of entertainment, drawing another successful Winter Picnic to a close.



skit performed by Paynes Mills W.I



April 3rd, 1990 W.I Meeting



Olive Chambers is braiding taffeta ribbons around a coat hanger. Bertha Carter is enjoying watching the demonstration.



Mary Liepmann demonstrated the craft. Other persons who took part are Peggy Mitchell, Kay Attridge, Betty Humphries.

Hon^{or}ary President - Mary Liepmann
President - Leola Lawrence
Vice-President - Emily Hulay
Secretary - Mary Liepmann
Treasurer - Mary Lippold
P.R.O. - Betty Humphries
Tweedsmuir History - Shirley Walker
District Convenor - Mary Liepmann
Alternate - Mary Lippold
Elgin Museum - Twila McWilliams
Elgin Rally Representative - Twila McWilliams
Alternate - Olive Chambers
Pianist - Shirley Walker
Auditors - Hazel Stalker, Betty Humphries
Programme Co-Ordinator - Marion Hauser, Frances Graham
Resolution Convenor - Frances Graham

The West Lorne W.I. begins another year with 19 members. Our new President is Leola Lawrence.

W.I. visitors from England came on May 10th. They stayed at Peg Mitchell's home for a few days and visited places of interest in the area.

The 81st District Annual was held at Shedden on May 16th. at 6:30 p.m.

For the June Meeting 15 ladies travelled to Pinecroft near Aylmer. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by everyone and then went on a tour of the pottery shed and Mary Sanderson Art Studio. In the afternoon the ladies went to Sparta for a visit to the stores and had afternoon tea at the restaurant.

A few ladies attended the Strawberry Social at the Elgin Museum on June 20th.

There was a bake sale at Port Glasgow on June 14th. and a draw for the doll rocking chair and the table cloth.

W.I. ladies from West Lorne and other branches in Elgin went by bus to see the "Ten Little Indians" in July and "Annie Get Your Gun" in August at the Huron County Playhouse.

In September \$100.00 was given to the Ayling family in memory of their son, Chris who died in May of Cystic Fibrosis. Also \$100.00 was donated to the Frome Disaster Fund.

Peg Mitchell demonstrated how to make a wreath out of fabric squares at the meeting.

At the October Meeting Twila McWilliams taught the ladies how to re-web chairs with macrame.

The London Area Women's Institute held their 76th. Annual Convention in Exeter on October 11th. A few members attended this Convention from West Lorne.

At the November Meeting we had memoirs from the Tweedsmuir Book. It was told that the W.I. ladies issued \$3,000.00 for the building of the Community Hall. Money was raised by having community dinners and selling tickets on a horse. The government issued \$2,000.00.

There were 7 members at this time in 1913.

Our Annual Christmas Party was held on December 4th. with a delicious pot-luck supper. An offering was taken for the Daffodil Society. Secret pal gifts were exchanged.

The West Elgin District Winter Picnic was hosted by Boxall and was held at the Fingal United Church. The theme was "W.I. brings out the best in you". Hilde Morden was the guest speaker.

A pot-luck supper was held for our February meeting. A prayer was given for the women and men serving in the Gulf Crisis in Dessert Storm. Ladies were asked to remember the soldiers by putting up yellow ribbons.

Valentine boxes were packed for the elderly and shut-ins. There was a Dutch Auction. A donation was given to the March of Dimes.

At the March Meeting Jennifer Mitheausen spoke on epilepsy. A donation was made to the Epilepsy Society.

The District Annual Meeting was held on May 15th. at the Final United Church with Boxall as hostess.

The Annual Meeting was held in April. Reports were given and the new slate of officers.

This has been a successful year for the ladies. They have had interesting and inspiring meetings. They are to be commended for their support to the many societies needing financial assistance.

WEST LORNE WOMEN'S
INSTITUTE

1990 - 1991



Meetings at 07:30 hours at the W.I.
Room, West Lorne Community Hall.

All Ladies are invited to attend.

W.I. Ladies from England Visit West Lorne
and
Area



Ladies relaxing at Peg Mitchell's home.

May, 1990



Swain's
Greenhouse

Ladies stayed at Peg Mitchell's home



W.I. Ladies at Pinecroft June 6th, 1990



Entrance to Pinecroft Craft Shop.



Display in Craft Shop.



Beautiful view at Pinecroft Restaurant (near Aylmer)



Kay Attridge, Peg Mitchell, Mary Lippold
enjoy lunch at Pinecroft.



We watched this man making pottery at
Pinecroft.