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Mrs Olive Frances Chambers was born on Sept II, I936 in Montreal, where she was raised and educated. She worked for many years as a baby nurse. Later she became a Nurse's Aid to patients in the Royal Victoria Hospital. She then became a practical nurse looking after patients in their homes.

In 1979, she met and married her husband Ralph, then in the Canadian Armed Forces. They were married in Christ Church Cathedral, where Olive was an active member. She belonged to the Youth Group and the Housekeeping Guild.

They were transferred to North Bay in 1981 and both became active members of St. John's Anglican Church.

Olive served as President of the ACW. They retired in 1986 and moved to West Lorne, where they became active members of Grace Anglican Church. Olive served on the Board of Management and the Alter Guild. She also joined the ACW and has served two terms as President and one as Treasurer. She was elected as Delegate to Delaware Deanery on the ACW Councel, where she served three terms.

In 1986, Olive joined the Womens Institute in West Lorne. She was elected representative to the Elgin Museum, serving two terms. She later became the Elgin Rally representative. She was elected Vice President in 1991 and then served two years as President. At the present time, she is serving, with Leola Lawrence, as a Tweedsmuir History Representative.



THE WEST LORNE WOMEN"S INSTITUTE 1992 - 1993

HONORARY PRESIDENT - Leola Lawrence

PRESIDENT - Olive Chambers

VICE PRESIDENT - Shirley Walker

SECRETARY - Hazel Stalker

P.R.O. - Hazel Stalker

TREASURER - Mary Lippold

TWEEDSMUIR HISTORY - Shirley Walker

DISTRICT CONVENOR - Peggy Mitchell

ALTERNATE - Mary Lippold

ELGIN MUSEUM - Twila McWilliam

ETGIN RALLY REP. - Marion Hauser

ALTERNATE - Olive Chambers

PIANIST - Shirley Walker

AUDITORS - Leola Lawrence

- Betty Humphries

PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATORS - Frances Graham

- Mary Belle Cook

RESOLUTIONS - Frances Graham

WEST LORNE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

1992-1993 PROGRAMME



MEETINGS: -lst Tuesday @ 7:30 P.M. WEST LORNE TOWN HALL

The West Lorne W.I. begins another year with our new president, Olive Chambers.

A Garage and Bake Sale was held at the home of Olive Chambers on May 23rd.

The W.I. members went on a "Mystery Tour" for the June meeting. The trip took the members to the "Wayside Inn" at Talbotville for lunch. The other places visited were the "House of Glass" at Talbotville, and then on to St.Thomas to the Galleries at the top of the hill.

At the Sept. meeting Earl Bobier and his wife Betty demonstrated how to make butterflies out of magazine pictures.

At the October meeting Diane Ross and her assistant, Kelly McMillan showed the West Lorne and Crinan W.I. ladies about 50 dolls of her extensive collection.

The W.I. decided to raise money by providing dinner for the Kiwanis Club every third Thursday at \$6.00 per person and a minimum of \$50.00 if there were more than ten men.

At the November meeting Karen Carroll gave an interesting demonstration on cake decorating.

A pot-luck supper was held for the W.I. Members and their families at the December meeting. Carols were sung and secret pal gifts were exchanged. Gifts for the Daffodil Society were collected. It was an enjoyable evening.

The winter picnic was hosted by the Middlemarch Branch at the Fingal United Church in January. The Federated Women's Institute President, Mrs. Margaret Eberle spoke of her visits to all parts of Ontario representing the F.W.I.O..

A pot-luck supper was held for the February meeting. Thirty-two baskets of goodies were made up to distribute to shut-ins and people in nursing homes. A motion was made to donate \$25.00 to the "March of Dimes".

Mr. Terry Heeney was the guest speaker for the March meeting. He showed beautiful slides of his trip to Norway.

It has been another successful year for the ladies.

Mystery Tour



Olive Chambers admires a picture at the Gallery in St. Thomas



Peggy Mitchell enjoys the paintings and crafts



Hazel Stalker, Vivien Ayling, Twila Mc William looking at picture



Marion Hauser, Mary Lippold, Vivien Ayling, Shirley Walker enjoy dinner at the "Wayside Restaurant," Talbot ville on their Mystery Tour "for their June meeting.



Olive Chambers, Hazel Stalker, Kay Attridge, Frances Graham, Peggy Mitchell enjoy dinner also.



Family Christmas Party at Dec. meeting 1992



Gifts for secret pals are exchanged

About 300 Women Institute members meet

Three hundred members and guests attended the 78th Convention of the London Area Women's Institute held October 14th, at Ailsa Craig Community Centre. President Hilde Morden reminded the members that their objective at all levels is 'personal growth and community action". Thinking of this objective in connection with the Convention's theme "I'm to proud to be a Canadian", we can also say 'I'm proud to be a Women's Institute Member"

Federated Women's Institute of Ontario President, Margaret Eberle of Highgate spoke of changes in F.W.I.O., we are going to have new headquarters in Guelph. Peggy Knapp, Past President of F.W.I.O., is now the Canadian Area President of the Associated Country women of the World. A Resolutions Convenor and Tweedsmuir History Convenor are needed for F.W.I.O.

Mrs. Eberle conducted the nominations for Federated Women's Institute of Ontario Board Directors. The new Directors are: Subdivision 21-Dorothy Sutherland, her alternate-Marlyn Croft; Subdivision 22-Pauline Lindsay, her alternate-Sylvia Cerna; and Subdivision 23-Laurine McIntosh, her alternate-Doris Denham. The retiring Board Directors are Mar-

garet Harris, Eleanor McMillan and Hamilton. Irene Richardson.

The installation of officers for London Area was conducted by Mrs. Eberle. Mrs. Arthur (Margaret) Dale, R.R.4, Woodstock is the incoming President of London

An F.W.I.O. Workshop for Presidents and Vice-Presidents will be held in January 1993. London area Vice-Presidents Dolores Shapton and Gladys Egelton will at-

Reports were given on Children's Hospital of Western Ontario, Western Fair Association, Tweedsmuir Histories, the Butler Project, Branch Organization, Program Co-Ordinator, and Public Relations.

Kay Taylor, a representative from the Adelaide Hoodless Home, told of redecorating at the Home and ongoing events. The Christmas Tea is December 6, 10 a.m. to

A presentation was given by Rural Organization Specialist Kim

A resolution concerning the preservation of archival documents was sustained at the August board meeting of F.W.I.O. It was submitted by Springford Branch, Oxford South District. We, as W.I. members, are encouraged to write to our Mayors, councils and MPP's lending our support for the development of municipal archives in our regions. Joyce Pettigrew, Archivist, was present with a display to provide information.

Following the Banquet, excellent music was provided by the Girl's Ensemble from North Middlesex High School.

Maryn Pardy Scholarships were presented by the Provincial Board Directors. They were awarded to Heather Faber, Marylou Stewart and Jeremy Rodgers. Marilyn Thomson received the 90th Anniversary Educational Award presented annually to a Women's Institute member who is planning to further or update her education.

Guest speaker Helen Baker, Mil-

verton, based her talk on our theme. Using personal experiences from her childhood and life, she reminded us in a unique way how fortunate we are to live in Canada. These experiences could only have happened in "My Home and Native Land".

An invitation from West Middlesex was extended for the October 14, 1993 Convention.

May, 1992

West Elgin Women's Institute holds annual meeting

West Elgin District Women's Institute in an interestmen's Institute held its annual ing, exciting package to make meeting in Fingal United it appealing to the public. Church with Boxall Institute The annual memorial se acting as hostess. The meeting was presided over by Pres. Mrs. Eleanor McMillan.

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mas, who gave ideas on how These were from Oxford to Market the Product - Wo- South, Elgin East as well as

The annual memorial service was conducted by Mrs. Mary Liepmann of West Lorne WI.

Guests present from other Guest speaker was Miss Va-lerie Clark of OMAF, St. Tho-Willa Johnston of Clachan.

our district representative to London area, Mrs. Sally M. McIntyre of Dutton and Miss

Miss Clark installed the following officers for the coming year: Past Pres. Sally McIntyre; Pres. Eleanor Mc-Millan; 1st Vice-Pres. Leitch; 2nd Vice-Pres. Jean Johnston; Sec.-Treas. Dorothea Jewell; program co-ordina-tor Grace Campbell; District Delegate Eleanor McMillan; Voting Delegate Sally McIn-

tyre; Resolutions Irene Johnston; Tweedsmuir History Curator Edith Auckland; Pioneer Museum delegate Frances McCallum; Elgin Manor delegate Irene Auckland; Farm Safety delegate Helen Bee-croft; auditors: Mary Lippold and Betty Humphries; nominating committee Mary Liepmann, Mary Gow and Anne McLean.

Provincial Board Directors: Sub. prov. board dir. Sally McIntyre; Rally Pres. Betty Van Patter; rural organization specialist Valerie Clark; Daffodil convenor Norma McMillan.

Dates to Remember: Public Relations officer and program co-ordinator workshop to be held at Centralia College June