



Elgin West District Women's Institute
85th Annual Meeting
Crinan Presbyterian Church
Wednesday May 19, 1993
6:15 pm Registration - 6:45 start
Hostess Branch - Crinan

President	Jean Leitch	762-3511
Past President	Eleanor McMillan	762-2089
1st Vice President	Willa Johnston	785-0707
2nd Vice President	Ann McLean	769-2884
Secretary/Treasurer	Margaret Carroll	631-4719
P.R.O.	Dorothea Jewell	762-3529
Program Co-Ordinator	Grace Campbell	762-5133
Resolutions	Irene Johnston	762-5546
Tweedsmuir History	Sally McIntyre	762-3631
Ass. Tweedsmuir His.	Helen VanBrenk	762-2768
District Delegate	Jean Leitch	
Alt. District Delegate	Willa Johnston	
Voting Delegate	Eleanor McMillan	
Alt. Voting Delegate	Jean Palmer	764-2443
Pioneer Museum Delegate	Rena Campbell	762-2787
Farm Safety Delegate	Helen Beecroft	764-2872
Elgin Manor Delegate	Irene Auckland	633-0529
Daffodil Convenor	Norma McMillan	762-3721
Nominating Committee	Marion Hauser	768-1537
	Rena Campbell	
	Betty Rogers	782-3177
Provincial Board Director	Pauline Lindsay	631-5247
Alt. Prov. Board Director	Sylvia Cerna	765-1246
Rally President	Betty VanPatter	631-2989
R.O.S.	Valerie Clark	631-4700
Auditors	Mary Lippold	768-1244
	Betty Humphries	768-1174

Please bring a craft for the Area Convention and give to Willa Johnston.
Bring \$5.00 cash for the Museum Strawberry Social.

Please bring this program to the District Annual on May 19, 1993.

April, 1993

Gearing up for annual Elgin West meeting

The April meeting of the West Lorne Women's Institute opened with the Women's Institute Ode followed by the Mary Stewart Collect.

Minutes of the March meeting and treasurers report were read.

Thank you was conveyed from the Daffodil Society to the members for helping sell daffodils.

A thank you card was read from the Sunshine Foundation for the donation to help terminally ill children have some of their wishes fulfilled.

The Elgin West Annual meeting is to be held on May 19 at 6:15 p.m. at Crinan Presbyterian Church.

A discussion regarding the W.I. china plate in recognition of 100 anniversary of W.I. followed.

The nominating committee presented the slate of officers for 1993/94.

The members showed much appreciation to Shirley Walker for her many hours of work in keeping up an excellent Tweedsmuir Book of History.

Members are meeting at the Brink House in Rodney at 6:15 p.m. for the May meeting.

Thanks to George Hippold for fixing the locks on the cupboard.

Meeting closed with O Canada. A dutch auction followed and a delicious lunch was served by H. Stalker and T. McWilliams.

October meeting 1993

Diane Sercombe speaks to West Lorne W.I.

The October meeting of the West Lorne Women's Institute was held in the Community Hall with 11 members and one guest in attendance.

Following the opening exercises the Roll Call was answered by your favourite craft. The treasurer's report was given. Members returned their cancer tea tickets.

The Kiwanian meal schedule

was distributed. The Elgin County Museum news was read. Women's Institute refrigerator magnets were displayed with several women making purchases.

Thank you note from Marybelle McRae was read.

Thursday, Oct. 21st and Nov. 3rd is Elgin Manor tuck shop.

Speaker for the evening was Diane Sercombe from the Adult Social Centre in Rodney. Diane

displayed many crafts including a paper twist wreath. Diane taught each one present to make a Christmas tree angel. Olive Chamber presented the speaker with a gift in appreciation for showing us her most interesting crafts.

Olive Chambers and Shirley Walker served a delicious lunch.

The meeting closed with O Canada and the Lord's Prayer.

Oct. 31st, 1993 Elgin W.I. Rally report

The Elgin County Women's Institute Rally met at the O.M.A.F. meeting room October 31st. Eleanor McMillan opened the meeting by welcoming everyone, followed with the institute Ode and the Mary Stewart Collect.

There are some fridge magnets for sale. Branches are asked to bring their fee for the Rally to the Annual Meeting. The Janet Hiephler scholarship was presented to Trudy Hickson at Avondale High School on Nov. 5, 1993.

On February 8, 1994 from 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. at the South Dunwich Community Hall in Wallacetown, there will be a hands on learning

session to create your own T-shirt. Please bring clean T-shirt. The cost is \$7 per person. If you are interested please contact Grace Campbell.

First place winners in the Elgin W.I. Rally Farm Safety contest were: Nichol Briand, Dutton; Jenna Stone, Shedden; David Mezenberg, Wallacetown; and Andrea Wolf, Aldborough. Second places were given to: Erin DeGraw, Aylmer; Bryn DeGraw, Aylmer; Jessica Andrews, St. Thomas; Natalie Blagden, St. Thomas. Officer Williams from the OPP came to talk to the children about farm safety and being home alone.

Nov. 1993

CHC guest speakers at West Lorne W.I. meeting

Fourteen members and one guest attended the November meeting of the West Lorne Women's Institute.

Following the opening exercises, Olive Chambers introduced the guest speakers. Heather Campbell and Mary Francis O'Hagen from the Community Health Centre. Both ladies presented information regarding the future Community Health Centre. Many questions were answered.

Both ladies were presented with gifts in appreciation for coming to speak to the ladies.

Minutes from the previous meetings were read and adopted. Treasurer report was given.

An invitation from Riverroad W.I. to attend their Coffee Break on November 4, 1993.

Card of Thanks read from Children's Network Telethon for saving Heinz labels.

Children's Hospital needs small knitted blankets, slippers and sweaters. Any ladies in the community who would like to donate any of the above it would be greatly appreciated from the Children's Hospital.

January 5, 1994 is Elgin Manor with Hazel Stalker, Mary Lippold and Stephanie Zavitz offering to go.

December 7th is annual Pot Luck Christmas Party at 6 p.m. with exchange of gifts for secret pals.

LONDON AREA WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



79th Annual Convention

**Theme:
"Meeting The Challenge"**

**Location:
Caradoc Community Centre
In Mt. Brydges**

Telephone 1-519-264-9900

Thursday, October 14, 1993

Subdivision 21
Middlesex East, Middlesex West, Middlesex North

Subdivision 22
Elgin East, Oxford South, Elgin West

Subdivision 23
Perth South, Huron South, Huron West, Oxford North

Meals on Wheels

Running smoothly

By Sheila McBrayne

Meals on Wheels has been on the road and in gear in West Lorne for about two years and the main reason for its continued success is because of its dedicated volunteers.

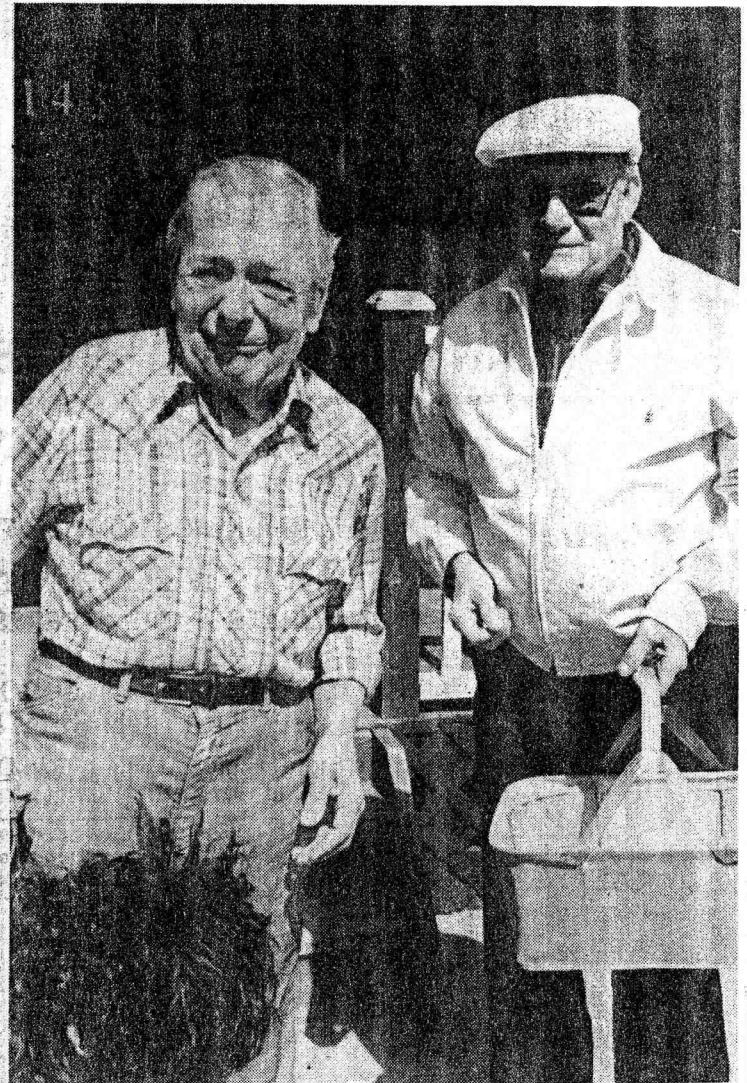
Volunteers like Arthur and Betty Humphries who have been delivering the meals prepared by Town and Country Restaurant since the program started two years ago. About 11:30 a.m. there's a knock on the back door and there stands one of the 12 local drivers ready to pick up the meals that are delivered to the seven local users of this service.

The Humphries are retired and the Meals On Wheels only takes up about one day a month. The Humphries stop at the various homes to drop off the baskets of noon hour meals, meals which the recipients may not have been able to prepare for themselves. All meals are \$5 each and consists of a balanced meal including both hot and cold foods. The meals are delivered every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. With 12 drivers, seven recipients and delivery done three days a week the scheduling of drivers is a full position itself. Leola Lawrence has taken on this chore. She sets up the schedule to ensure that someone will be able to get the meals out.

One of the West Lorne recipients is Goldie Whitfield. The Humphries know that he'll meet them at the door and stand on the verandah and talk for a minute. This is also a chance for Mr. Whitfield's dog Bandit to go for a quick run outside. The Humphries can't stay long though because they still have five more stops and they want to make sure the meals are hot.

The Meals on Wheels program, which is under the direction of the Elgin County Homes, exists in many small communities and like other small town organizations it counts on volunteers. The original idea to bring the Meals on Wheels program to town was presented to the West Lorne Women's Institute for them to do as a project. The ladies graciously accepted the challenge and has since included a few husbands or neighbours of W.I. members.

The Meals on Wheels will be having a meeting for anyone interested in finding out more about the Meals on Wheels program, those interested in volunteering and the present drivers will also be there. The meeting is May 5th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.



Goldie meets Arthur Humphries at the door as he delivers his meal.

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR WEST LORNE W.I. 1993 - 1994

Honorary President - Leola Lawrence
President - Olive Chambers
Vice President - Shirley Walker
Secretary - Hazel Stalker
P.R.O. - Mary Liepmann
Treasurer - Mary Lippold
Tweedsmuir History - Shirley Walker
District Convenor - Leola Lawrence
Alternate - Mary Lippold
Elgin Museum - Twila McWilliam
Elgin Rally Rep. - Marion Hauser
Alternate - Olive Chambers
Pianist - Shirley Walker
Auditors - Betty Humphries
 Leola Lawrence
Programme Co-Ordinators - Frances Graham
 Marybelle Cook
Resolutions - Frances Graham

The West Lorne W.I. begins another year with Olive Chambers as president.

In May eleven W.I. members met at the Cosy Restaurant in Rodney, for a dinner meeting. Each member told their favourite joke after the business meeting.

In June twelve members enjoyed a trip to St.Jacob's Market. The day was spent touring the town and shopping in the many stores. They had lunch at the "Stone Crock" restaurant.

Lynn Champigny, a Mary Kay representative gave a make-up demonstration at the September meeting.

The Clachan W.I. hosted the Elgin West W.I. Tea for the Cancer Society October 6th.

The speaker for the October meeting was Dianne Sercombe from the Adult Social Centre in Rodney. She taught each member to make a Christmas tree angel.

Speakers for the November meeting were Heather Campbell, Ex Director and Mary F. O'Hagan, Health Promotion Officer for the West Elgin Community Health Centre. They explained the aims and objectives of the centre.

On December 7th a family pot-luck supper was enjoyed in the Town Hall basement. The collection was given to the Daffodil Society. Secret Pal gifts were exchanged, and new names given out.

Mary Lippold, Stephanie Zavitz and Hazel Stalker served in the Tuck Shop at Elgin Manor on January 5th, 1994.

The Winter Picnic was held at the Shedden United Church on January 10th.

At the February meeting twenty-six valentine gift plates were packed for shut-ins.

Alice Paterson, a member of the local Geneological and Historical Society spoke to the ladies at the March meeting. She is very interested in restoring the old Backus home, adjacent to the Pearce Provincial Park. Alice is promoting the use of the vacant house as a museum and educational centre.

The annual meeting was held April 5th. The new slate of officers for 1994-1995 was installed. A dutch auction raised \$49.50.

The May meeting was held at the Town and Country Restaurant, where a delicious meal was served.

The District Annual was held at the Wallacetown Hall on May 5th.

The June meeting was a trip to Pinecroft (near Aylmer) and Port ^{Stanley} Glasgow.

The ladies have served the Kwanians every third week, which has raised a considerable amount of money.

It has been a successful year for the ladies.

WEST LORNE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

1993-1994 PROGRAMME



MEETINGS: 1st Tuesday @ 7:30 P.M.

WEST LORNE TOWN HALL

Institute Room

Adelaide Hoodless Stamp

March 8th, 1993



On March 8, 1993 - International Women's Day - Canada Post unveiled the first issue of four commemorative stamps honouring prominent Canadian women. The Hoodless stamp was issued in honour of the centennial anniversaries of the National Council of Women and the National Office of the YWCA. Adelaide was a founding member of these organizations. She also helped draft the charter for the Women's Institute movement and organize the first Institute at Stoney Creek, Ontario, in 1897.

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