

New washrooms, handicap ramp, dishwasher, windows and removing of the old blackboards have all been done since. Some of the improvements have been done through the memory of a loved one with donated money. The Women's Institute have been important in preserving the local history and the Mar hall is the only building left that is open for the public to use. As the stories were told, many family histories were/are connected to the Mar Hall.

Avenues that will be looked at is a Trillium Grant Foundation especially for the historical part of fixing the bell tower. Promoting the building for rent for day use functions was encouraged. In the future, many people have been moving up here from the cities to retire and a senior's center is foreseen.

A sign up sheet was presented for help with the fish dinner on May 29. Students with needed volunteer hours was also suggested. On going chores of grass cutting is another opportunity for students to help.

Thanks were given to the men who helped over the years, to Colleen and Vivian for their leadership and historical knowledge and for Susan White who is the president who oversaw the meeting. Members from Adamsville and Purple Valley also attended who listened with concern over their buildings. Members now will try the other avenues mentioned to get money and the hall will remain open to encourage community use.

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