

Junior Women's Institutes of Ontario

Mrs. Kenneth McCurdy

Our organization has grown to approximately 400 members in 19 branches. These branches are Emo, Cochrane, New Liskeard, Sparkling Waters, Norfolk, Peel, Jean Scott, Niagara District, Wainfleet, Riverside, St. Thomas, Brant County, Howick, Maple Keys, Walters Falls, Lucknow, North Grey, Hastings County with Precious Corners and Solina Village People our two newest branches.

ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

This year it was decided to try a two day fall conference instead of a Spring and Fall meeting. The Fall Conference was held in Snelgrove at the Snelgrove Community Centre north of Brampton.

Mrs. Margaret Minor, Provincial President introduced Mrs. Janet Fraser from the Home Economics Branch, Toronto who spoke on Children and Safety in clothing and toys. The main concern was the flammability factor in clothes and that it affects the very young and the very old mainly, since they are usually less able to help themselves in the event of fire. Mrs. Fraser touched on the laws pertaining to flammability, example Hazardous Product Act 1969. As for children's toys it is important to select the right toy for the right child. A film called "Give and Take" produced by the National Film Board of Canada was viewed. The film showed the many testing procedures used on products we use every day in our homes.

Greetings were extended by Mrs. Diamond, FWIO president, Miss Lorraine Holding, Regional Supervisor, representing the Home Economics Branch, Mrs. John Brown, PRO and local representatives of the W I's.

Mr. Mitchell a school principal from the Dundalk Elementary School spoke to us on "A Child's Self Concept". Stressing the importance of communications and positive attitudes in parenting and how these affect our children, as well as how it affects us as parents and our own self concepts.

JWIO AWARD

The award was presented to Miss Ruth Alton now enrolled in Early Childhood Education at Lambton College.

W I HALL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Linda Tottenham has been selected to sit on the W I Hall Committee to represent the JW I's.

TORNADO RELIEF

A cheque for \$50.00 was donated to the Tornado Relief Fund to assist victims in the Woodstock area.

BOOK

"A Little Bit of Everything," is hot off the press at a cost of \$3.00. It contains everything from recipes and children's games to household hints.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

The delegates attended the play Fiddler on the Roof and toured the McMichael Art Collection at Kleinburg.

LOCAL BRANCHES

During the Year of the Child the branches have had programs on Child Abuse, parent effectiveness, a Children's Aid worker, a probation officer speaking on the rehabilitation of young people, a teacher speaking on the school system, block parent programs.

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The Year of the Women's Institutes in Ontario

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more members

What Where and Why for the year of the W I?

PRO Blits

Constitution
year

What is our image?

where are we going?

Greater committment to holding office

INVOLVING THE WHOLE COMMUNITY

Performance + recognition

NEW DECADE DEMANDS ATTENTION!

The family still is our concern

New Ideas?

W I Awareness?

LET'S PREPARE OURSELVES FOR A NEW ERA OF VOLUNTEERISM!