

FIFTY YEARS

ROCKLEY W.L. STORMONT DISTRICT held an open house at the home of Mrs. A. Mackay, in honor of the Branch 50th anniversary.

Fifty years ago community ladies were invited to the Reading School by the teacher, Miss McDonald who urged all to form a Women's Institute. Since that time the community has benefited from the service of the W.I.

At the anniversary party the first women book and all the programs over the 50 years were displayed. The Treasures book, with its unusual but attractive cover is wellington was on view, along with artifacts and family treasures.

Two charter members, Mrs. G. Davidson and Mrs. M. Edwards were in attendance along with the members.

Friends and neighboring Branch members were welcomed by Mrs. E. Cook and Mrs. M. Greenwood. Tea was served by Mrs. W. Scott and the anniversary cake, made by Mrs. J. Egan was enjoyed by all.



ROCKLEY W.L. STORMONT DISTRICT members enjoy the 50th anniversary celebration.



EASTERN AREA BRANCH last year spent this year cruising among the 1000 Islands. Above, one of the many boat loads of members ready to sail.

ORGANIZED IN 1908

FINCH W.L. STORMONT DISTRICT held a 'Hamilton House' during the afternoon tea, celebrating their 70th Anniversary. Mrs. Marta Dingman, presented a wellington W.I. Motto, which had on its lower is attached to the President Mrs. Cary Dingman.

A short program including greetings and two songs were read, including one from MPP Celia Williams who said "everyone is aware of the services rendered to the community by the W.I. which promotes good and mutual understanding." A plaque from the Prince William Civic, on behalf of the Province was presented to the Branch by Board Director Mrs. Hugh Cook.

Mrs. Donald Cavallina, Stormont District President reminded the ladies that when Canada had been during which two world wars had taken place, in its time of organization, women did not have a vote, there were no classes in Home Economics in schools and no women were elected to public office. Now we have women members in parliament and two women judges.

During the event at Hamilton House were Mrs. and Mrs. Dorey Chabotek, in this house the Tea House Annual was held for the raising of Stormont District. Mrs. M. Chabotek and Mrs. S. St. Pierre assisted over through the home. Everyone admired the various wood carvings on carvings around doors and windows, also the second floor with its spacious hall and two bedrooms.

Teasing tea were daughters or granddaughters of charter members and former Presidents.

WOMEN'S MARKET

BAR RIVER W.L. ALGONA NORTH DISTRICT for the last two years have held a program in the spring and fall at the local Community Hall.

This has a two fold purpose, it allows members and visitors to lounge and socialize and raises money for the W.I. Treasury in the community participation and to give 10% of their sales back to the Women's Institute.



Some of the **BAR RIVER W.L. ALGONA NORTH DISTRICT** members working at the women's market Garage Sale.