

WI's On

Halton District

Members of Halton District have been very busy with a variety of activities this fall. In October, president Mrs. W. Lasby announced the winners of the Ethel Chapman Scholarship and the Women's Institute Bursary. Kathryn Johns and Jennifer McLean were the respective recipients.

Later that month, the district hosted a farewell tea for visitors from the United Kingdom who had been travelling around Ontario and New York State for two weeks. Members from across Halton were on hand to help out.

To celebrate the bicentennial, Halton organized a ladies provide dance in November to have fun in the old fashioned way, but to attract young people too.



Trillium WI celebrated its first annual meeting in April with a spring bonnet fashion show. Mrs. Steven Ryckman, Tweedsmuir curator, hosted the meeting. She gave a talk on the Trillium book with the use of puppets. Pictured are Mrs. Repath, left, and Mrs. Parker of Trillium Branch.

Garnet, Haldimand West District

Members visited a dairy and watched how whole milk is processed and packaged into bags and cartons. The production and tasting of ice cream was also part of the tour.

Ingleside, Stormont District

Marjorie Deagle, from Upper Canada Village, was the guest speaker at a recent meeting of Ingleside. She demonstrated carding, spinning and weaving using wool, cotton and linen.

Codrington, Northumberland East District

This year, Codrington has put special emphasis on promoting the Women's Institute, emphasizing interesting programs and developing more personal contact through visits

and invitations to neighbors and friends. The branch is now beginning meetings with 30 minutes of get-acquainted activities.

In the spring, the branch had a landscaping project to beautify the township community centre at Codrington with shrubs and small trees.

The branch's programs this year include handling stress and change, customs around the world, sharing your skills, improving our schools,

Woodstock North, Oxford North District

Flossie Fowler, a charter member of Woodstock North, was honored at the June meeting on the occasion of her 95th birthday. Mrs. Fowler still attended meetings regularly, until her death in September.

Anniversaries

Three branches recently celebrated their 70th anniversaries. Zurich W.I. of Huron South District, Allison Branch of Simcoe South District and Lynedoch W.I. of Norfolk South, all past the 70 year mark in June. Langton Branch, Norfolk South, held 50th anniversary festivities in May while Wilton Grove W.I., Middlesex East, marked its 75th anniversary with a dinner for over 100 present and former members.

Life Memberships

At anniversary celebrations, Langton Branch presented life membership certificates to Evelyn Carroll and Angele Dewalle. Britton Branch, Perth North District, presented Marjorie Johnston with a life membership recently.



Pictured here is Mrs. Ethel Patterson, a member of Massey WI who died last year after belonging to WI for over 73 consecutive years. Mrs. Patterson was a charter member at the Lee Valley Branch in 1910 and in 1944 moved to Massey. Mrs. Byrna Sheinke of Massey WI asks if Mrs. Patterson's membership is a record. Does anyone know?