

Ingleside treated to pioneer program

The following is an excerpt from an article that appeared in the November 30, 1985 edition of the *Standard-Freeholder*.

Ingleside WI was treated to an authentic description of pioneer living in Upper Canada Village by none other than the Mamma of the household, Jean Thompson. Jean elaborated on the preparing of meals for the family which were made from the farm and garden produce; how pioneers made jam, jellies and pickles; how they sheared the sheep and made clothing from wool; how they made candles for lighting; made butter and packed it in crocks; cured the meat with salt; dried apples and other fruits. Husking corn and barn raising bees provided entertainment.

Carleton District has busy autumn

Carleton District branches had a busy fall season. In addition to regular branch meetings, members were involved in a variety of projects.

Carleton East and West districts managed the tea room at the October fair, ensuring a good supply of home-made refreshments.

Carleton East president Jennie Craig has been involved in discussions to identify areas of development for Zambian women. The WI's, the Cattlemen's Association and the Pork Producers also sponsored a demonstration of microwave cooking.

The annual convention of Ottawa area WI was held at the Talisman Inn, Ottawa, October 28 and 29. The theme was "Today's Youth: Tomorrow's World."



Mount Pleasant JWI recently sponsored a vegetable sale and donated the proceeds to the Lennox and Addington County 4-H program. The JWI branch decided to come to the aid of the 4-H program after as an International Youth Year Project. Among those who assisted with the sale were (l. to rt.) Maureen Dowling, president; and members Debbie Chadwick, Diane Kimmerly and Gail McCullough.

Aberdeen JWI branch boasts brief, but proud history

By DONNA CLARK

Aberdeen branch, in the Durham area of Grey County, organized in June 1983 with seven charter members. Present membership is 15 and growing. Aberdeen is fulfilling the motto "For Home and Country" — since 1983 we have added four new citizens to our community and more are on the way.

We have had a variety of programs at our meetings: preserving our woodlands, legal concerns of women, hair care, skin care, street-proofing our children, genealogy. Our families get involved in our activities as well. Husbands and children joined us for our picnic in August and our Christmas party in December. Hallowe'en was celebrated with a masquerade party for the children.

Aberdeen branch has become involved in the community as well. Members have attended leadership workshops and conducted short courses; we contributed a fitness break at our FWI District Annual; we

fed the plowmen at the Bentinck plowing match; and we have made donations to several charitable organizations in the area. To commemorate IYY, Aberdeen sponsored a class in the arts and crafts division of the Durham Agricultural Society Fall Fair on a "challenging career". We also have begun our 4-H program by sponsoring a club and providing leaders.

The Aberdeen branch has become the custodian of the "Aberdeen Village History", the Tweedsmuir book of the Aberdeen branch of FWIO which disbanded several years ago. Our curators are in the process of updating and adding to this historical reference. A sense of history is a gift that we must share with others.

Aberdeen may not be the largest branch in JWI, but we are active and certainly enjoy the organization in all its aspects. We are looking to the future with optimism and enthusiasm.

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Please bear with us...

Please don't "growl" too loudly if your submission to *Home & Country* doesn't appear in this issue. The extensive coverage of the FWIO annual meeting resulted in an almost "unbearable" space shortage, and it was necessary to put some of your stories and photos into "hibernation" until the next issue. We'll do our best to include your contributions in the Spring 86 edition. A list of other features planned for that issue appears on page 23.