

What's Happening . . .

Spring Bay WI

This Branch organized a fashion show skit for the Manitoulin West District Annual held in Spring Bay last fall. One member donated a quilt that she made to help raise funds. And in December the Branch held their Christmas meeting at Manitoulin Lodge in Gore Bay. Residents of this home for seniors enjoyed a gift exchange and noon luncheon with the Spring Bay WI members.

Grandview WI

Late last fall the Grandview WI dedicated a Norway Maple tree to the Lennox and Addington County Hospital in appreciation for their 25 years of service to the community.



In the fall of 1950, J.M. MacIntosh, Agricultural Representative for the District of Algoma, asked the Queen Elizabeth Women's Institute to prepare two meals a day for five days for the workers at the Thessalon stock yards. Forty-one years later they are still taking up the challenge, serving about 200 people on the final day. The event helps support many WI and community projects. While the stock yards have witnessed many changes over the years, the camaraderie and pulling together of WI members has remained the same. Pictured above is Norma Seabrook (left) and Marion Goodmurphy (right) preparing just one of the many meals.

Waterloo District WI

At the fall rally of the Waterloo North and South District Women's Institute, skin care and cosmetics, hair trends and tips and wardrobe techniques were a few of the subjects highlighted by "Dressings" of Guelph. "Any Shape Can Look Sharp" was the theme of the event, co-ordinated by Kathy Boyce, founder of "Dressings" and presented by Leslie Osborne and Ruth Warner. Over 200 women attended the rally at the New Dundee Community Centre. Proceeds from the evening were donated to Associated Countrywomen of the World (ACWW) and the Waterloo Regional Food Bank.

Wellington North WI

Last November, the Carry On WI hosted a "Come and Go" Tea in the Palmerston United Church Parlour. The occasion honoured Frances Fotheringham, retiring Board Director for Wellington North and Waterloo North and South Districts. Guests were welcomed by Dorlene Anderson, President, Wellington North District, and Wilma Hutson, Vice-President, Carry On Branch.



Crumlin Branch members recently donated \$500 to the building fund of Women's Community House in London. The London organization is in the process of building a second home for battered women in the area. The Women's Institute members raised the money through catering in the community. Presenting the cheque to Ann Pavlic (centre), Representative of the Women's Community House, is Marilyn Cross (left), Treasurer, and Ann Vandenbosch (right), President, of the Crumlin WI.

Cumberland WI

At a recent meeting members of this Branch were informed about the successful treatment of Scotopic Sensitivity Syndrome (an extreme sensitivity to light making reading very difficult). Edie Goodman and Adel Francis, Special Education Teachers, explained about the benefits of tinted eye glasses or tinted plastic sheets placed over reading materials.

Peel WI

Lynette Johnston, winner of the Peel County Women's Institute Scholarship, and Mary Anne Moffatt, winner of the Peel County WI Bursary, were honoured on November 28, 1991, at the Caledon Community Complex during the 4-H Awards night.

Canboro WI

"Violence Against Women" was the subject of a talk given at the November meeting of the Canboro WI. In discussing solutions, the following suggestions were offered: more education to be included in the curriculum; required courses to be taken by Judges to increase their understanding of the problem; increased support to women's shelters; and, urging society to take responsibility for wife assault.

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One of the talented members of this Branch, Pat Best (right), donated a scenic oil painting which was raffled at the November meeting. Jean Knox (left) of Hampton, and a Solina Women's Institute life member, was the lucky winner. The proceeds from this event were donated to "Women Feed the World," a project carried out under the Associated Country Women of the World.