

Tweedsmuir Report

By Peggy McLeod

Has your Branch started a new or different section in their Tweedsmuir Book? I am also the Tweedsmuir Curator for the Snake River Branch. Our Branch, for example, includes weddings of members and their families and community history and events.

In my column in the Fall 2003 issue of *Home & Country*, I spoke about a Tweedsmuir Competition we hold in my District of Renfrew North. I talked about Hazel Davis, a former Provincial Board Director, who wanted to do something to encourage Branches to keep up their Tweedsmuir History Books. So, beginning in 1956-1957, she donated a large trophy. The Tweedsmuir Books have been judged annually since and the Davis Tweedsmuir Cup is awarded at the District Annual each spring.

In 2003, the category for our District competition was "Quilts, Arts and Crafts." Most of our Branches did not have this category included as part of their Tweedsmuir. It was amazing how the Branch Curators quickly went about obtaining information and pictures for this new topic. Some Curators made a separate book. Others had each of their members do an article on the hobby, craft or art that they most enjoyed. The competition that year was exciting and the pictures were so interesting.

Why not consider including some new or different sections in your Tweedsmuir Books?

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Instant Success for Perth Centre

Inspired by the "ROSES are Blooming" Forum, the Branches from Perth Centre District WI, hosted a comprehensive and interactive information fair. For a small admission fee of \$20, participants enjoyed workshops, information displays, lunch, door prizes and much, much more!



Speakers from the Arthritis Society, the Canadian Cancer Society and the Diabetes Association relayed their experiences. A representative from the Canadian Mental Health Association spoke about "The Art of Listening." And a Toast Master award winner provided some comic relief with a presentation entitled "Laughter is the Best Medicine," suggesting that indeed you should live everyday like it is your last and one day you will be right!

The Committee who organized the day's events are shown from left to right: Winnie Trachsel, Doris Raycroft, Jeanette Harrow, Eleanor Elg, Helen Anderson, Margaret Stahlke and Faye Herbert. Congratulations Perth Centre District!

Submitted by Jeanette Harrow, District PRO.

Congratulations

Life Memberships

- Bruce Dale WI, Bruce County, Grey-Bruce Area
- Marguerite Caldwell
- Audrey Ribey
- Gunne Weber
- Clute WI, Cochrane, Cochrane-Timiskaming Area
- Margaret E. Guppy
- Dunrobin WI, Carleton, Eastern Area
- Dorothy Boone
- Highland Creek WI, York East, Central Area
- Evelyn Grace Dempsey
- Kakabeka Falls WI, Thunder Bay, Northwestern Area
- Irene Enders
- Shirley Peel
- Leonard WI, Russell, Eastern Area
- Lola Lamour
- New Dundee WI, Waterloo, Guelph Area
- Yvonne Fried
- Isabel Koczicki
- Margaret Schnurr
- North Yarmouth WI, Elgin County, London Area
- Pauline Lindsay
- Shedden WI, Elgin County, London Area
- Ilene Orchard
- Tincap WI, Leeds, Kingston Area
- Jeanette Margaret Gooding

Long-time Members (50+ Years)

- Glasgow WI, Renfrew South, Eastern Area
- Lois McNab - 60
- Kinloss-Kairshea WI, Bruce County, Grey-Bruce Area
- Anne MacDougall - 57
- Marion MacKinnon - 57
- Margaret Mowbray - 57
- Nelson WI, Wellington Halton, Guelph Area
- Frances Clements - 72

100th Anniversaries

- Beamsville WI, Lincoln, Hamilton Area
- Cambay WI, Victoria West, Central Area
- Coningsby WI, Wellington Halton, Guelph Area
- Dundas District WI, Eastern Area
- Elmview WI, Northumberland West, Trent Valley Area
- Silver Water WI, Manitoulin West, North Central Area

Anniversaries

- Carlingford WI, Perth South, London Area - 75
- Glasgow WI, Renfrew South, Eastern Area - 60
- Grand Bend WI, Huron South, London Area - 60
- Norland WI, Victoria East, Central Area - 75 (in fall 2004)
- Plainfield WI, Hastings East, Trent Valley Area - 95