

2004  
WI celebrates  
Sept.  
Canada Day

The July meeting of the Bervie WI was held at Trillium Court and opened by president Elsie Schuler with *O Canada*, Ode and Mary Stewart Collect. Elsie gave a history of the national anthem. Roll call was given by 12 members and some of the people of Trillium Court. There were some interesting answers to "What did you do on Canada Day?"

Convener Margaret Harkness had two poems, *Smile* and *O Canada*. She then had a quiz on Canada. Mildred Griffith gave a reading, *Canada Day American Style*. Hentje Kloosterboer gave a poem, *Canada*, followed by a sing-a-long with Betty Jean White at the piano, which the seniors all seemed to enjoy. Cookies and a cold drink were served by the WI members.

A short meeting was held. The minutes, financial statements and correspondence were read. The new cookbooks were received. The launch, July 14, was a huge success and the committee served goodies from the recipes in the book. A thank you note was received from Zehrs.

Margaret ended with another contest, then everyone had a enjoyable afternoon with the seniors.

The next meeting is Aug. 4 at 8 p.m. at the Bervie WI hall; topic is watermelons.

## Bervie W.I. August meeting

The Bervie W.I. meeting was held Aug. 4 at the hall. The meeting was opened by president, Elsie Schuler with a reading followed by *O Canada*, the ode and Mary Stewart Collect. The roll call was answered by 10 members and four visitors.

The minutes were read and the financial reports were given.

The Cook Books are selling well and 500 more have been ordered.

There was a discussion on the Rose Program. The Kinloss women are going to help sponsor it.

The meeting was turned over to convener, Sylvia Hasbury who had a talk on watermelon and she carved a watermelon into a basket.

Betty Jean White and Elsie Schuler are going to Stratford on Aug. 14 to participate in a quilting marathon. The money received will be going to Breast Cancer.

The meeting closed with all enjoying the fruit from the watermelon basket. Cheese and crackers were served by Hentje Kloosterboer and Emily Bushell.

The September meeting will be a Mystery Tour and members will be enjoying lunch out.

## Bervie WI meets

The Bervie WI met Sept. 3 and went to Clinton and had lunch at the Bartliff's Restaurant, then went to the park where the school on wheels is situated.

We had a short meeting there. Elsie Schuler, president, opened the meeting with the roll call, which was what antique you would really like to have. It was answered by nine members with interesting replies.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and the financial statements were given. A thank you note was received from Margaret MacDonald who has been ill. The Institute is planning a district cookbook. We are hoping to get some local advertising for the book. The rally at Underwood and convention in Walter's Falls in October were discussed. It is hoped about nine members will attend. Our annual bazaar, tea and bake sale is planned for Oct. 25.

Following the meeting, we then went to the Century Agriculture Centre Homestead of Robert Batty, just north of Clinton. We had a very interesting afternoon, bringing back memories of all the things used in the past. Bob sure had a lot of old things that people forget about, and also some beautiful dishes.

The next meeting will be Oct. 1. Lynn Farrell will show a video and talk about his trip to New Zealand. New members are welcome anytime.

## More Bervie news 2004

Cole Alexander spent a few days with his grandparents, Douglas and Dean Campbell, last week.

Wray and Linda Thompson of Mississauga, Joan and Carmen Locke of South Porcupine, and Doris McGregor of Toronto spent the weekend with Wilda Thompson.

Mildred Griffith of Kincardine had lunch with Hazel Jean McLelland last Sunday.

Margaret Harkness visited Audrey Johnston, Nancy and Karen, in Teeswater on Sunday.

A large crowd attended the Garden Party at the Bervie United Church on Tuesday.

Margaret Harkness visited Elizabeth Schuler in Teeswater last Saturday.

Five generations celebrated at the Arnold-Shewfelt reunion. Approximately 80 family members gathered at the home of Merv Arnold on Sunday, July 18, for a beef barbecue picnic. Gladys Arnold, at 99 years of age, was the oldest person attending.

### FOUR DUCKS ON A POND

Four ducks on a pond,  
A grass bank beyond,  
A blue sky of spring,  
White clouds on the wing;  
What a little thing  
To remember for years —  
To remember with tears.

William Allingham

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### MY WORK

Find out what God would have you do,  
And do that little well,  
For what is great and what is small,  
'Tis only He can tell.

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