

Bervie WI sees video of New Zealand tour

2007

The October Bervie WI meeting was held in the hall, and was opened by vice-president Virene Thompson with a poem. Roll call, Something you know about New Zealand, was given by 13 members and one visitor.

The minutes were read and approved, and the financial statement and correspondence read. A motion to pay the bills was made. The new floor covering is down in the entrance and kitchen. There was a thank you card and donation for the WI from Effie Davey, and also a thank you card from Hazel Jean McLelland.

Card parties have started again for the fall and winter seasons. Final plans for the Bazaar, Tea and Bake Sale were made. Hope you can make it

there Oct. 25, from 2-4 p.m. at the hall. Plans were made to attend the WI rally and convention.

Congratulations to Margaret Harkness who celebrated her 85th birthday recently. It was nice to have Lyla Allen at our meeting again.

The meeting was turned over to the convener, Norma Hartwick, who introduced our guest speaker, Lynn Farrell. He spoke and showed a video on their trip to New Zealand. It made us all wish we were there. Thanks to Lynn and Marj for the interesting tour.

The meeting closed with the Queen and Grace. Lunch was served by Hanna Spletstoesser and Isabel McConnell and a social time enjoyed.

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Bervie WI heading to IPM

The July meeting of the Bervie Women's Institute was opened by President Mildred Griffith with Good Morning and everyone repeating the Lord's Prayer.

A minute of silence was kept for the late Hanna Spletstoesser, a member.

Several members offered to send three dozen cookies for the Plowing Match at Teeswater in September. A quilt display will be held on Aug. 8 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Aug. 10 until 4 p.m.

Islay Eby was convener. She read a Basket of Sunshine and introduced her daughter-in-law Janine Eby. She spoke about being a Reiki practitioner. Clients have reported

feeling more creative, more balanced, less emotional, less stressed, more relaxed, more awareness, less pain, more ability to fall asleep.

Islay thanked Janine. Her telephone number is 519-396-5740.

A correction from June's write-up - Marilyn Reid is the new President of Bruce County District Women's Institute and Lois Feiburger, treasurer. Five cards were signed and 17 shut ins were remembered as June is Women's Institute Month. God save the Queen was sung and Grace.

Refreshments were served by Elsie Schuler and Hazel Jean McLelland.

Bervie WI enjoys Christmas meal

2008

The Bervie Women's Institute had a delicious shared dinner for its Christmas meeting. President Isobel McConnell opened the meeting by singing grace and the opening ode. Roll call was a joke poem and a stamped card for shut-ins. Following business, favourite carols were sung.

Isobel shared some jokes and had a reading, *Just For You*. Betty Jean White read *Christmas Beatitudes*, then Margaret Harkness read *Many Things At Christmas* and had a few more jokes. *That's Christmas* was read by Islay Eby and Virene Thompson read one by an eight-year-old child about a grandmother.

Mildred Griffith sang special words to the tune of "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen"; Norma Hartwick read *20 Things to Do For Christmas*, and

then Elsie Schuler gave a reading written by Eva Wilkins. Hazel Jean McLelland sang *Now Shine A Thousand Candles Bright*, accompanied by Betty Jean White.

The next meeting is Jan. 2. Roll call is plans and dreams and winter projects for the new year. Anyone interested in the Institute is invited to come.



Bervie WI report

The November meeting of the Bervie Women's Institute, president Mildred Griffith read *Ten Top Ladies*, and members replied by repeating *The Lord's Prayer*.

Virene Thompson gave a report on the District Rally held in Underwood.

Convenor Elsie Schuler has the theme of finding a balance in our lives. She spoke on making more time for things we have to do and for ourselves. She also had two contests. Then Janice Hewitt served refreshments after *God Save Our Queen* and the Institute Grace were sung.