

Bruce gets unfair grants Institute assembly told

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Mrs. Austin Zoeller, president of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, told the 12th annual Grey-Bruce WI convention that \$2,000 had been sent towards the 75th annual project.

Mrs. Zoeller, speaking during the afternoon session of the two-day conference in Southampton United Church, said the objective is \$50,000 to be reached in 1972. The money will be used for additional buildings at Macdonald Institute, University of Guelph.

A committee is revising the WI handbooks, said Mrs. Zoeller who also announced research for a book, The Women's Institute Story, to be published in 1972.

There are 31,314 WI members in Ontario including 1,328 branch life members and 44 district life members, she said. Mrs. Zoeller is with the Associated Country Women of the World convention she attended in London, and announced this past summer and announced the 1971 convention for Norway.

Bruce County, he stated, is not receiving a fair share of grants as vacation property is drawing high prices in many areas and as a result the equalizer assessment factor is dropping.

This in turn is placing a heavy tax burden on land with lower value than the high-priced shoreline property, he continued.

Mr. Bowers was introduced by Mrs. Blasing and thanked by Mrs. James Coyne of Colpoy Bay who presented him with a book, Humanities in Homespun by Ethel Chapman.

A male quartet of Jack Cook, Don Cook, Maurice Doran and Lincoln Doll of Southampton sang two selections. Mrs. Ray Magee of Southampton sang accompanied by Mrs. Leland Matheson of Southampton.

consultation of the Women's Institutes was written 75 years ago.

Miss Helen McKecher, Director of Home Economics Service, Department of Agriculture and Food was the afternoon speaker and after thanking the branches for their support of 4-H clubs, spoke on the importance of discovering and stimulating leadership.

The Banquet on Thursday evening was held in the Legion Hall which was filled to capacity. Words of welcome and gratitude were extended by Mrs. Austin Zoeller, President, F.W.I.O., Mr. A. Soip, Warden of Grey County and Mr. Grant Swieger, Grey County Agricultural Representative. This being Mrs. Swieger's final year of office as Provincial President, a presentation was made to her by Mrs. Emerson Emkô, of the Wood Carving by Mr. Wilmer Nadijwan, of the Cape Croker Indian Reserve.

The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Wm. Watson, University of Western Ontario, whose topic was "Tomorrow's Medicine". Dr. Watson covered many areas in which cures are being sought and the experiments which are taking place in the field of genetic engineering and, although there were many humorous moments, Dr. Watson warned that man may soon have to decide just how far some of these experiments should be allowed to go.

The entertainment for the evening was provided by Jim Ahrens on the tenor, accompanied by his sister, Susan, and the Prospective Sweet Adelines of Hanover and District.

Home Economists Mrs. Lora Riva, Grey County and Miss Judi Reasbeck, Bruce County, reported on the 4-H and Senior programme. A highlight of this part of the programme was a fashion show staged by two 4-H clubs from Chesley.

Displays were provided by the United Nations, Arbitrage Association, Rural Learning Saugeen Valley Conservation, Family Control, Central College of Agricultural Technology, of 4-H Clubs, Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, and a table of handicrafts contributed by the delegates and visitors by Mrs. Milton Weber, Chairman of the Grey County Rally and the Rev. Swan, Mayor of Hanover.

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Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. Gordon Wainsley, Southampton; Greening and World Affairs, Miss Reta Rathwell, R. R. 1, Warton; Resolutions, Mrs. Arthur Teasdale, R. R. 2, Dobbinton; Curator, Mrs. Victor Emerson, R. R. 3, Wingham and Junior Representative, Mrs. Jim Young, R. R. 3, Teeswater.

Two new board Directors were elected to the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario - Sub. Division 15. Mrs. Herb Malukus, Chesley with Mrs. C. O. Sutcliffe of Desboro as Alternate; and Sub. Division 16 Mrs. Edward Urstadt, R. R. 5, Owen Sound with Mrs. Carl Klages, R. R. 5, Owen Sound as Alternate. Re-elected were Mrs. Emerson Emke, Hanover for Sub. Division 17 with Mrs. Stan Whitty, Hanover as Alternate.

The Convention also elected committee members were: Mrs. Howard Ritchie, Durham; Mrs. Robert Smith, R. R. 4, Meaford; Mrs. James White, Meaford.

The 15th Area Convention will be held in Warton, October 30th and 31st, 1972 which will be the 75th Anniversary year of the founding of the Women's Institutes in Ontario.

dent, Mrs. Harold Blasing of Neustadt, first vice president; Mrs. George Woelfle of Paisley, second vice president; Mrs. C. O. Sutcliffe, Desboro, third vice president; Mrs. E. A. Carson of Desboro, Secretary; Mrs. Gordon Crawford, Port Elgin, treasurer and Mrs. James Coyne of Warton, public relations officer.

Home economist, Mrs. Lora Riva, reported on the 4-H and senior programs being conducted in the various counties. The Gleneden WI of Mount Forest were hosts for the convention.

The next area convention will be held in Southampton on September 14 and 15, 1970.

'Tomorrow' theme of WI convention

The 13th Annual Convention, Grey-Bruce Area Women's Institutes, was held in Hanover Town Hall, October 28 and 29. The theme of the Convention was "Tomorrow" and the President Mrs. Harold Blasing of Neustadt, was noted in sessions by Vice-Presidents Mrs. George Woelfle, Mrs. C. O. Sutcliffe and Mrs. Frances Gemmill. An official welcome was extended to the delegates and visitors by Mrs. Arthur Teasdale, Chairman of the Grey County Rally and the Rev. Swan, Mayor of Hanover.

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Over 500 women representing 130 Women's Institutes heard James Powers of Chesport discuss pollution at the 11th annual convention of the Grey - Bruce Women's Institute last week. Mr. Powers was the guest speaker on the second and final day of the convention.

Mr. Powers urged the institute to support the Hon. George Kerr, Minister of Energy and Resources, who is showing great leadership in the field of pollution control.

Assistance for pollution control by municipalities should be on the same level as grants for highways and bridges, he said.

He stressed the responsibility of the individual in doing his or her share in recognizing the factors that cause pollution such as handling of livestock waste, pesticides, following the directions on labels and calling for the closing of all municipal dumps close to streams.

The Grey-South W.I., for the first time won trophy for the largest number of delegates and visitors attending the two-conference. They had a total of 111 voting and non-voting delegates.

Elect Officers

Mrs. Austin Zoeller of New Hamburg conducted the election of officers. The new office bearers are Mrs. Percy Radbourne of Owen Sound, presi-

15th Area 3rd. convention

"The only way to avoid mistakes is to gain experience and the only way to gain experience is to make some mistakes. If we are content with what we have done we'll never become famous for what we could have done."

Mrs. George Woelfle, president, told an overflowed audience of Women's Institutes of Ontario delegates in Chatsworth United Church Monday.

The theme of the 15th Grey and Bruce area Women's Institutes (WI) convention was "A man's feet should be planted in his own country, but his eyes should survey the horizon."

Mrs. Woelfle offered ideas and suggestions on how to enlighten institute members on the work of the organization at all levels.

"This is looking beyond our own border, beyond our own branch. Our organization reaches right around the world and we should be aware of its impact."

Mrs. C. O. Sutcliffe, first vice-president, was chairman for the afternoon session when the president's address was given.

Musical entertainment was provided by Bruce centre and Colpoys Bay branch. Bruce north.

At both the morning and afternoon sessions Mrs. Gladys Coxon, a well known community singing, Pianist was Mrs. Ted Wark and Mrs. Stewart Watkie.

The work of the home economics branch of the ministry of agriculture and food was depicted in a slide presentation by Miss Betty Lammiman, home economist.

Mrs. Percy Radbourne, area curator, reported on the 11th annual convention distributed. Mrs. Gordon Wainsley was responsible for agriculture and Canadian industries; Miss Beta Blywell, citizenship and world affairs; Mrs. Eric Ashton, education and cultural activities and Mrs. Evan Keith, family and consumer affairs.

Highlights from the reports were presented in a skit entitled SWIFT (space women's institutes future travels).

The aim of the Women's Institutes is to develop a more abundant life for the rural people of Ontario by encouraging better home making practices, helping develop happier and more useful citizens, discovering and stimulating leadership and increasing appreciation of the things near at hand.

There are 39,896 WI members in Ontario more than half the membership for all Canada. Mrs. H. L.