



BRUCE COUNTY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE RALLY

50th Annual Rally Meeting

UNDERWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Tuesday, October 4, 2005

Registration 9:00 a.m.

Host Branches:

Purple Valley, Reid's Corners, Silver Lake,
Solway, Southline Brant

Luncheon: \$9.00

THEME:

OUR HERITAGE

Bervie WI meeting

Bervie W.I. met in the hall on Tuesday evening, June 6 with a good attendance. President Emily Bushell welcomed everyone. Secretary Virene Thompson read the minutes. Special guests were members of Silver Lake and Purple Grove.

There is a sign mounted at the hall in memory of Jim and Minnie Ferrier.

Ruth Campbell was the guest speaker for the meeting about AIDS. She gave a commentary and showed a video.

There were eight members of Bervie W.I. attending the Ontario Agriculture Museum in Milton on Wed., June 14 to the Quilt Show and turkey barbecue.

The meeting closed with the Queen and Grace. Hostesses were Jessie Shelton and Mildred Griffith.

Women's Institute Kicks Off Centennial Celebrations

The Federated Women's In-

stitutes of Ontario welcomed over 3,500 members and friends to the Ontario Agriculture Museum, Milton on Wed., June 14 to a Quilt Show and turkey barbecue. The day marked the 100th anniversary of the Women's Institute.

The first Women's Institute branch was formed in 1897 at Stoney Creek, Ontario in response to a concern for the safety of food. The determination of those early members was rewarded when the pasteurization of milk became a reality. It was not long before the reputation of this Women's Institute branch spread and new groups formed across Ontario, across Canada and finally worldwide. Today, Women's Institute members are proud to uphold that "community spirit," of which Ontario can be so proud, as they meet the needs of the community and the personal growth of its members.

Bervie WI meeting 1996

The Bervie W.I. met in the hall on Wednesday evening, July 3 with president Emily Bushell presiding.

After the opening procedure secretary Virene Thompson called the Roll Call: "how schools have changed/improved since I attended." The correspondence was attended to. Betty Anne Thompson gave the report of the District Annual that was held in Lucknow on May 9. The District is planning another card party on Oct. 22 in Teeswater. Show and tell was given by Iolene Bradley. She made two gramine figurines in memory of her mother and father.

Funtime was given by Janice Hewitt. She had several good jokes which made a laugh.

Betty Jean White was convener for the program. She showed a video of Bruce County Board of

Education 25th anniversary which was interesting. She conducted a spelling bee of different places in Canada.

Congratulations to Tony and Henji Kloosterboer who recently celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary.

The August meeting will be conducted and then members and friends are going to attend the play "Billy Bishop Goes To War."

The meeting closed with The Queen followed by the Grace.

(Introduced last week)

On Wed., April 2 the Bervie WI met in the hall for the annual meeting and enjoyed a delicious pot luck dinner. After dinner president Emily Bushell welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with a poem "Spring" followed by O Canada and the regular procedure.

The Roll Call was called by secretary, Virene Thompson which was answered by "how I can help to improve our meetings," and payment of fees. The business was dealt with. The district annual meeting is to be held in Tiverton on Thurs., May 8. Those who go are to let Tiverton branch know for the count for lunch before April 30. Bervie WI has registration. There was money sent to Bruce County Museum for membership and donation for chairs.

The first card party will be held in the hall on Monday, April 7 at 8 p.m. The next one will be held on April 21.

The annual meeting was held. The by-laws were read and approved, also the minutes of last April's meeting read and approved and the treasurer's report given. Margaret Harkness gave the PROs report. The nomination report was given by Mildred Griffith and the officers were installed. Emily gave her president's report. Mildred Griffith got the attendance gift. The Centennial song was sung with Betty Jean White at the piano. Isabel had an oral contest on April Fools and Betty Jean read Plant a Garden. The Mystery Pal gifts were exchanged and names were drawn for next year. The meeting closed with The Queen. 1997

Bervie WI 1997

On Wednesday, May 7 the Bervie WI met in the hall. President Emily Bushell opened the meeting in the usual manner and welcomed a small attendance.

Virene Thompson called the Roll Call, "a skill my mother taught me." The theme was Family Affairs. An invitation from the Teeswater WI to attend their celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Women's Institute on May 15 in the town hall at 2 p.m. was read. For Show and Tell, Sylvia Hasburg showed the new book "The Horse Book" published by her and Ann Judd. She told about its contents and stores where it can be purchased or obtained. Virene Thompson had fun time - a contest of early snap shots of the members had everyone pondering as to who was who. There was a plant and bulb sale which made some extra money. A tasty lunch was served by Hazel Jean McLelland and Betty Ann Thompson.

The co-ordinator of Area 21 wishes to thank the volunteers who canvassed for the Cancer Society on the 5th, North Line, Hwy. 9 and the South Line in the Kincardine Township. Special thanks to all the people who contributed for a total of \$1650.00.

On April 30 the 4-H Club "See Easy" had achievement night. Leaders were Maria Hodgins and Darlene Shelton with eight members called the "Quilling Queens." Allyson Thompson received her six point award. There was a good attendance. The members served lunch. Marie McCrostie very capably handed out the members' awards.

Bervie WI has gift exchange

On Wednesday, Dec. 3 the Bervie W.I. members met in the hall. A pot luck dinner was enjoyed by all at noon. After dinner President Emily Bushell read a poem "Christmas Gifts of Love" and welcomed everyone. The meeting was opened in the usual manner.

Secretary Virene Thompson called the roll call. It was reported the quilt was finished for Participation Lodge and another one will be set up in the New Year. The Centennial Song was sung.

Convener Betty Anne Thompson read a poem, followed by carol singing. Each member gave a safety tip.

Virene Thompson read a poem. Christmas contests were won by Betty Jean White and Virene. Betty Anne closed with a poem.

There was a gift exchange and the meeting closed with The Queen.