



The Port Elgin Junior Farmers celebrated the organizations 75th anniversary on Saturday at the Underwood Community Centre. Junior Farmer past presidents include: Top row; Allister Lamont, 39-40, Les Ribey, 81-82, Don Fenton, 67, Allister Campbell, 52, Harry Thede, 56, Hank McArthur, 44, Craig Irwin, 83, Fred Schildroth, 78-79, and Rod MacGillivray, 91. Third row are Ken Robinson, 63, Howard Ribey, 62, Charles Kelly, 50, Harry Kibler, 59, Donald Grant, 93, Allen McKenzie, 35-36, Lloyd McGillivray, 94 and James Davey, 80. Second row are Paul Ribey, 89, John Ribey, 48, Noreen Ribey (Kibler), 54, Carol Cluley (Sutherland), 59, Gladys Jones (Teepie), 58, Shirley Thede, 56, Audrey Hogarth (Ribey), 59, Elaine Daniel (Esplen), 58, Jack MacGillivray, 51, Ken McDermid, 71. In the front row are Marion Ribey (Schlorff), 52, Peggy McGillivray (Leifso), 50, Audry Webster (Underwood), 49, Beatrice Scott, 31, Cynthia Halliday, 95, Anne Campbell (Schildroth), 51, Nellie Sumpton (Miller), 42, and Jean Reoch (Fenton), 41. Photo by F. Sanagan

Bruce Historical Society meets

BY SHIRLEY MCCLURE

The annual meeting of the Bruce County Historical Society was held Oct. 21 in the Kincardine Legion Hall with nearly 200 in attendance.

Following dinner, a choir directed by June Daniels entertained along with a musical story of the militia entitled, "Men of War".

Mr. Bert DeGraaf from the Bruce County Museum and Archives supervised the election of the 1996 officers. The executive for 1996 is as follows:

Honorary Past President, Bruce Krug; Past President, Lynn Caldwell; President, Dorne Fitzsimmons; First Vice-President Donald McClure; Second Vice-President, vacant; Secretary, Marion McGillivray; Treasurer, Edna Avery; Membership, Donelda MacKinnon; Newsletter Editor, Christine Welsh; Yearbook Editor, Shirley McClure; Book Custodians, Don and Irma McSparran.

Directors: North — vacant; East, Mary MacKay; West, Bill Pace; South, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Baptist.

Program Committee: Christine Patterson, Edna Clazie, Ken Lamont. Publications Committee: Marion McGillivray, Hilda Downey, Donelda McClure, Isobelle Underwood, Shirley McClure. Historical Plaques Committee: Gwen Harrison, Peter Knechtel. Museum Representatives: Edna Avery and Christine Welsh.

The guest speaker for the afternoon



Co-editors Shirley McClure, Marion McGillivray and Isobelle Underwood.

was Allan Bartley whose topic was "The Historic Meaning of the 160th Battalion," which he has been researching for three years. His research included diaries, journals, letters, photographs from families related to veterans and material from the Military Archives in Ottawa.

The Society's newest publication, Historical Plaques and Cairns in Bruce County, was offered for sale. Also for sale was a booklet entitled, From City Street to Trackless Forest, by Marion McGillivray. This is the true story of Jane Smith Bartleman, one of the first women to come to Brant Township.

She came from Paisley, Scotland, to join her brothers William and Johnson Smith in Walkerton.

The Bruce County Historical Society Yearbook 1996 was distributed to members present. This annual historical review contains articles written by people interested in preserving the history of our county. The public may purchase copies from Don and Irma McSparran, RR 1, Paisley, N0G 2N0, or may contact the Society by writing to Box 1900, Port Elgin, ON, N0H 2C0.