Deficit causes increase in W.I. membership fees

Seven Walkerton Institute ladies met at the library on Tuesday, Feb. 10.

Janet Eindinguer welcomed the ladies followed by the reciting of the Ode and Mary Stewart Collect. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Mary Wand.

Janet read a letter from the F.W.I.O. on a quilt show and a children's story contest.

Roll call was bring an article inherited from a parent or grandparent and talk about it.

Guest speaker Doris Needham, the former provincial advisory counsel for the Institute branches in

Walkerton W.I.

Bruce, spoke on the budget from FWIO.

There was a deficit of more than \$100,000 and, following recommendations, there was still a small deficit, no raise in wages. They felt they they had no choice but to raise membership fees. Members 80 years will be \$30 and for other active members it will be \$35 in 2004 and \$45 by 2005.

Because support from OMAF has been discontinued, many of the support services have been dropped. Volunteers and limited

staff had to cover the hours donated by OMAF.

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One voting delegate per area shall attend the provincial annual meeting. There will be four branch mailings for the groups.

Committees that have been dissolved include: scholarships awards, Ontario Agriculture Hall of Fame. The Royal Agriculture Winter Fair award of excellence will be retained but there will not be a FWIO booth at the fair.

Ada Mason did a reading called 'Settlers make a lasting impression'.

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Members recited the Ode and Mary Stewart Collect in unison.

Mary Wand read the minutes of the last meeting and correspondence. Peggy Evans gave the treasurer's report.

Two members will donate a pie for the

Roots of Bruce show. The district annual meeting will be held May 27 in Elmwood.

Membership dues were paid and pennies for friendship collected. Marg Hedley, financial examiner, gave her report and Ada Mason, program co-ordinator, reported. Ada and Mary Steffler installed the officers for 2004.

A tasty lunch was served.

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Ten members were present for the May 11 meeting held in the library meeting room. The ode and Mary Stewart Collect were recited in unison. Janet Eindiguer thanked the ladies for all the help on Saturday at the Legion garage sale.

The roll call was articles your mother made from flour sacks. Gladys Williamson showed an embroidered tablecloth her mother made etched with lace. Marg Darling displayed a dresser scarf her mother made etched in lace. Three members will attend the district annual in Elmwood on May 27.

Mary Wand did a reading on Mother knows best, also a May song. Mary Steffler

read a poem "My Mother".