



Thunder Bay District

Three branches in the District joined together in one celebration, those being Rosslyn, Slate River and Stanley. This was held in the evening of February 19, 1997 in the Rosslyn Community Center.

Welcome was given by councilor Mary Germain of the Municipality of Paipoonge. Following the usual opening exercises of the Institute, lunch was served using the suggested menu from F.W.I.O. The Candle Lighting ceremony was performed by the 3 branch secretaries: Rosslyn - Maureen St. Louis; Slate River - Rebecca Johnson and Stanley - Shirley Robillard. Roll Call was to relate a humorous incident you have had at a W.I. function. The evening followed the suggested programme. Special guests were Leila Pettigrew, President, Thunder Bay District and F.W.I.O Board Director, Edith Lazaruk.

Rosslyn Branch has 22 members and Sandy Vibert is president; Slate River Branch has 25 members and Jeanne Davies is president; Stanley Branch has 15 members and Anita Glavish is president.

The President of the District Edith Lazaruk, presented a specially cultivated rose to the Thunder Bay conservatory supervisor, Willis Mattas, for display and to commemorate the W.I. 100th Anniversary.

The Women's Institute logo was designed with flowers in a flower bed at Hillcrest Park and received signage during the celebration. Hillcrest Park overlooks Lake Superior.

O' Connor

To celebrate the founding of the Women's Institute 100 years ago, O'Connor co-hosted a luncheon in the Municipal Building, with the Kakabeka Falls Branch on February 19, 1997. Non perishable items were donated to aid in the work at the Shelter House, Thunder Bay.

Leila Pettigrew, District President and Edith Lazaruk, Provincial Board member were honored guests. The branch was granted space on a wall in the Municipal Building to hang the plaque permanently. Branch members

