

# Vinemount W.I. gathers

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The Vinemount Women's Institute held their annual quilting and pot-luck luncheon at the home of Mrs. C. Vickers. The quilt will be on display at the St. Patrick's Day Tea that will be held at the appropriate time in March.

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## 75 at Vinemount meeting

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The ladies who attended the St. Patrick's Day Tea had a special treat when they were shown how to make bread dough roses of various colors by Marilyn Sutor of Canfield. President Elva Weylie of the Vinemount Women's Institute made the introduction.

Close to 75 ladies were completely involved in making their unusual craft using bread slices, glue and other ingredients.

Mrs. Suter had also set up an attractive display of her personal rose craft in the church hall at Rock Chapel using glass vases, fancy pottery objects, small ornamental chairs and baskets and others.

"The ladies certainly enjoyed making their own rose craft," remarked Margaret Morison, who proposed a vote of thanks to their special guest.

The ladies were treated to tea and coffee and sweet goods previous to the rose-making demonstration. After the demonstration there was a general "rush" to buy all kinds of baked goods from the ever-popular bake table.

"I think the tea was very successful," commented Elva Weylie. "As usual, everybody helped out with making it a good Institute project."

A decorated quilt made by members of the Institute was

awarded to Ann Fawcett while a hand-crafted cushion was awarded to Kim Boyko. Other door prizes were

awarded to Barbara Oldfield, Elizabeth Whaley, Annette Scott, Julie Labreche.

<sup>1978</sup> interesting pictures of early settlers and other treasured documents related to the Women's Institutes in the Stoney Creek, Vinemount and Winona areas are currently kept by a member of the present day Vinemount Women's Institute.

The paper artifacts date back to the origin of the Institute by Adelaide Hoodless of Stoney Creek. With the motto of "For Home and Country", the success of this ladies group spread across Canada and then to other countries in the world.

Elva Weylie and Edith Vickers are the joint curators of four volumes of Institute history related to the Vinemount Women's Institute, which was formed in January 25, 1926 in a room at the back of the Vinemount General Store that was then owned by Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Little.

Lord Tweedsmuir, born John Buchan in 1875 in Scotland, became the

Governor General of Canada from 1935-1940. He died in 1940. His wife, Lady Tweedsmuir, took a keen interest in the Women's Institutes of Ontario and in respect for this interest the Institute named their district history books "The Tweedsmuir Village Histories".

The albums also contain many pictures of former and present members of the local Institute along with slightly faded newspaper clippings of people and events in the Vinemount and Ridge Road West areas.

In her message in one of the albums, Lady Tweedsmuir said in part that "I am so glad to hear that the Women's Institutes of Ontario are going to compile village history books. Events move very fast nowadays; houses are pulled down; new roads are made and the aspect of the countryside changes completely sometimes in a short while".



Red Cross Workers Rock Chapel

Left to right 1st row

Mrs Russel Gregg

Ethel Vickers, Mrs Jelliard, Agnes Lucan

Second Row, Frances Tuck, Joy Allan

Loa Gibson, Mrs Sterling, Mrs Bingle

Back row. Mrs F Bowslough, Mary Walker Jeffery

, Marion McLean Grosul, Edith Vickers

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