

Women's Institute Presidents getting pins

Mayor and councillor to present pins
Tuesday at Shire Hall

Gazette Staff

Mayor James Taylor will make a presentation of Prince Edward County pins to the local Women's Institute District President, Pamela Littlefair and all branch Presidents in recognition of their major contributions to the community.

Their good works and good deeds include improvements to our community halls, charitable donations to and support of local service clubs; our hospital; social programs, sponsorship of athletes, hosting of information sessions and the annual Arts

and Crafts campaign.

Councillor Peggy Burris, an active long time member of the Women's Institute, who has chaired and acted as the program coordinator for the Hillier branch, will be in attendance to assist in the presentation.

Women's Institute members who proudly wear their W.I. pins (provincial, national and worldwide) will add a county pin to their formal attire.

The presentation is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 4 at 10 a.m. in Council Chambers at Shire Hall. 10-31-03

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With the Compliments of
Mayor James Taylor

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Symbolism of the Arms

Shield

Using the red, white and blue of the Union Jack of the Loyalist era, the County Corporation is symbolized by a Loyalist civil coronet of gold, encircled by ten gold ears of barley, one for each ward. Barley was the chief grain of the 19th century. As well as the agricultural foundation of the County's prosperity in the 19th century. As political symbolism, the shield features a geographic allusion to "Quinte's Isle", with the wavy frame of silver and blue for Lake Ontario and the Bay of Quinte.



Crest

(Above the shield) rising above a chaplet of maple leaves and trillium flowers, the gold lion of the Empire bears a collar of red roses and blue fleur de lys. From this hangs a long cross

symbolizing the various Christian denominations that established missions and churches in the County early as the 17th century with the "Kente" mission. The churches continue as an important element in the County's architectural heritage and community life.

Supporters

The men and women who have built and continue to build and preserve the County are represented by Loyalist settlers in period dress. The man holds a plow, a symbol of industry. The woman holds a cornucopia, traditional symbol of prosperity featuring typical local products: corn, tomatoes, peas and pumpkins. The compartment on which they stand is composed of a grassy field and dunes of sand, the latter referring to the natural beauty and recreational lands of the County.

Motto

*Blessed by Nature, Enriched by Man,
Loyally Founded, Loyally Built.*

CHEERS! to the Hillier Women's Institute members who will be meeting Nov. 20 at 10 a.m. in the Hillier Hall to tie a quilt that will be given to the Children's Aid Society for a needy family. Members will also be bringing in items suitable for Children's Aid Society Christmas boxes. Sonya Smith will be giving a talk on the Canadian film industry. New members and guests welcome.

Hillier sends **CHEERS!** to the Cherry Valley W.I. for the nice party they held to celebrate their 95th anniversary. Steve Campbell and Paul Johnston entertained with music; Steve sang songs and Paul told tales he had written for his children.

And **CHEERS!** to Pamela Littlefair who has agreed to stand in as president until April 2004.

The group also made a donation to Kenya with regard to preserving and the shelf life of Kenya's produce.

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CHEERS! from the Prince Edward District Women's Institute to Mayor James Taylor, who honoured Women's Institute members Nov. 4 by presenting branch presidents with County pins for each member.

Mayor Taylor applauded the members for their hard work and volunteer hours spent in the County communi-



Councillor Peggy Burris, left, assisted Mayor Taylor in presenting the pins to each branch president, (from left): Laura Sharpe, Wellington; Lynne Keene, Consecon; Norma Hamilton, Mountain View branch; Pamela Littlefair, Hillier Branch and District President; Evelyn Peck, Rednersville branch; Dini Terpstra, Cherry Valley and Margaret Kerr, Demorestville.

ties. He talked about the early lobbying with government, Adelaide Hoodless and the first Women's Institute formed in Stoney Creek, Ontario and how the W.I. was a voice for the mandatory sterilization of milk. Later, Women's Institute branches urged governments to paint lane markings on roadways and to have the triangle put on the back of slow moving farm vehicles to caution drivers. He mentioned how, even today, the W.I. members work closely with other groups to go about their business, accomplishing their work in a quiet, efficient manner.

Prince Edward County W.I. members have sponsored meetings to educate and alert the public with programs such as Phone Busters, the Water, Water Every Where But Is It Safe to Drink? public meeting; and the Save the Hospital campaign to mention a few. COUNTY NEWS 11-14-03