

**OCT. 21 - 12:00 meeting - Demorestville  
Town Hall and brown bag lunch  
ROLL CALL: What was your favourite  
toy or doll?  
ACTIVITY: 1:00 pm visit Margaret  
Williams' home to view her doll  
collection.  
HOSTESS: Pamela Littlefair**



## HILLIER W.I.

### Good News from the Hillier Women's Institute By Ruth Crawford

At our October meeting it was decided that we would provide monetary assistance towards repairing the devastating vandalism that occurred last spring in the Hillier Cemetery on Closson Road. Many of our WI members have ancestors, family, friends, acquaintances, and loved ones buried there and we felt it would be a good thing to join with other service groups to assist St. Andrews Anglican Church in repairing the broken stones that represent the history of our community. It was deemed particularly appropriate to show respect for our past since the provincial Women's Institute has chosen "Exploring our Heritage" as the theme for 2005. It is hoped that many stories will come to light concerning the early settlers of the Hillier area as the old family stones are repaired.



Quite a few WI members attended a workshop held in Frankford earlier this month. The morning was taken up with an officer training session which was particularly helpful for members who have accepted new positions as president, secretary or treasurer. The afternoon was very inspiring for our members who are creating interesting ROSE programs. ROSE is an acronym for Rural Ontario Sharing Education. This fits the Women's Institute mandate created a hundred years ago but still applies, although the topics keep abreast of your modern day needs.

Our branch was well represented at the Area Convention, held in Campbellford late in October. Our member Marilyn Rennie is the new "Area" Chairperson.

Our next meeting will be held in Hillier Hall on November 18 starting at 10:00a.m. We plan to tie our annual quilt for the Children's Aid. As part of the meeting we will share memories of our weddings. Bring a brown bag lunch and an item suitable for CAS such as mittens or a child's book. We enthusiastically invite any women interested in joining us for stories, fun, and food along with community work and education.

Hope to see you there! *THE TIMES 11-03-04*

