

AUGUST 19-1:00 P.M.
Hillier Hall
TOPIC: "Turkish Delight: Travel Experiences by Marjorie Darling and a musical presentation with a Turkish flavour - "Maza Mezê"
ROLL CALL: An interesting fact I know about modern or ancient Turkey.
LUNCH: Mabel Wright, Lorena Best, Josie Taylor, Ruth Crawford
HOSTESS: Joyce Brown

Hillier Women's Institute learn interesting facts about Turkey

Joyce Brown
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Hillier Women's Institute met in the Hillier Hall on August 19, 1999. Once again Marjorie Darling, our hostess, prepared a very informative, educational, travelog slide show on her visit to Turkey. Our President, Marilyn Rennie, was enjoying a holiday in Ireland, therefore, Norma Till our vice president opened the meeting the the W.I. Ode, Mary Stewart Collect read an amusing story about a Princess and a Frog.

During the business meeting, a motion was passed to give a working budget to Pat VanKregten, Lois Conley and Joyce Brown. A message from the vendors at the 16th annual Prince Edward District Women's Institute Craft Show was relayed by Norma.

The vendors wished to thank the many assistants who helped with such willingness. They were "GREAT", was the common comment. Norma read a message from Bernie McCabe who moved to Stoney Creek August 17, 1999. In this message Bernie and Lloyd thanked the members and men's auxiliary for the farewell given to them on August 4. Although Ben and Lloyd were busy packing and organizing their own move, they were still available to volunteer valuable time to set up and organize our ice cream booth at the 16th annual District Craft Show.

Bern and her committee and members who scooped ice cream, reported the sale of 1135 cones. We will remember them for their energy volunteered. Phyllis Wight, a Hillier Women's Institute life member, who has been able to get out to only a few meetings during the past year, sent an encouraging message and donation. We miss Phyllis and we hope she will be able to attend more meetings this season.

Helen Lamb from Amherst Island

W.I. sent a thank you to Marjorie Darling for our reciprocal invitation to join Hillier W.I. at Macaulay House for lunch, house tour, and visit to the museum and Bird House City. It was suggested that this exchange visit be a semiannual event. Pat VanKregten reported on the Tweedsmuir Millennium project "Grandmother's Legacy", and how wonderful and fulfilling it would be for each member to write about their family to pass on to future generations. Let's make this project a highlight of the year!

As head of the Pumpkinfest Parade, Pat also gave us a committee report of it's progress. Ruth Crawford gave her "Associated Country Women of the World" report focusing on the United Nation's connection with "World Rural Women's Day" which is celebrated in many parts of the globe on October 15. Concern about the lack of labeling of genetically engineered foods and lack of long term testing was also reported. We were urged to become aware of this problem.

Our roll call "An Interesting Fact I Know About Modern or Ancient Turkey" was also very interesting and diversified on topics of war, culture, agriculture, archaeology, fabrics, angora and camel hair wools, rug making, accommodation and housing, etc.

Joyce Brown introduced Marjorie Darling knowing that Marjorie had selected her slide presentation with all the things in mind that might be educational and culturally interesting. Marjorie suggested that we could eat our lunch while watching and listening to her slide presentation. This plan worked and we wish to thank Mabel Wright, Lorena Best, Josie Taylor and Ruth Crawford for the delightful finger foods. Margery Rutherford thanked Marjorie and the program was adjourned.