Deputy-Reeve Claude Silver of Loughborough Township was guest speaker at Sydenham Women's Institute first 1983 meeting at the home of Mrs. Lois Peer.

He was appearing

in his additional capacity as president of the newly-formed Loughborough Housing Corporation, which will oversee the construction and operation of a new senior citizens' housing complex, on a site where the Foxton

grazed in a scene of pastoral beauty.

community involve- tion, purchasing and at the home of Mrs. ment as this project proceeds. He showed the architect's plans for the site, noting that when work gets under way, community involvement should become spon-

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families' cows once the schools and varitions. He appealed for volunteers to act on mous potential for nance, tenant selec- meeting will be held emphasized the enor- committees such as fimittees. Additional funding will be needed for necessary extras, such as landscaping and paths.

A roster of volunteers to canvass for the Heart Fund in He announced that February was drawn

to minimize costs leaving more funds for research in the field of heart diseases.

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Lala un It was emphasized February 2, 1983 Deputy Reeve Claude Silver also President of the newly formed Loughborough Housing Corporation

Report of Sydenham Women's Institute -Dorothy Mabberly

The annual dinner meeting on April 19, the night of the terrible spring snow storm, was well attended - a tribute to the members who braved the elements. The officers for the year 1983-4 are: honorary president - Ileen Kemp, president - Mary Shook, 1st. vice pres. - Diane Brett, 2nd vice pres. - Dorothy Mabberly, secretary - Betty Roberts, treasurer - Elizabeth Maybee, district director - Leah Hartman, public relations - Joyce Coupland, directors - Joan Clarke, Shirley Davison, Renie Gumersell, Gladys Lewis, Hilda Campbell & Halen Blakslee, auditor - Sandra Davison, refreshment committee - Eunice Fox, Doris Veldman, Lois Peer & Ileen Kemp.

Convenors of Standing Committees: Agriculture & Canadian Industries - Donna Thomas , Citizenship & World Affairs - Wilma Kenny, Family & Consumer Affairs - Wanda Peters, Resolutions - Shirley Silver & Fran Willes, Education & Cultural Activities - Sandra Weston, Tweedsmuir History Curator - Betty Roberts, Flower Convenor - Arlene Tousignant.

The June 21st meeting will be a family potluck dinner at Ileen & Clarence Kemp's.

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Shirley Davison hosted the Feb. 15th meeting as Inda Spafford, convenor for Education & Cultural Activities, announced a series of leadership workshops aptly titled "Rural Seminars for Vital People" - R.S.V.P. These workshops, introduced by Min. of Agriculture & Food Dennis Timbrell, are designed for rural organizations to assist in their development & improvement.

The guest speaker was Mr. Russell Ferguson of Verona, a unique horticulturist, who, in his capacity as groundskeeper at Bellevue House, "grows flowers and vegetables historically", as in the 18-50's. Mr. Ferguson's talk on propagation, with interesting facts on seed germination, growth media, display of soft & hard cuttings, served to inspire us to become more thoughtful, concerned and knowledgeable amateur gardeners. Happy gardening!

-D. Mabberly