

1979 - Public Relations Officer's Report - Sydenham Women's Institute

The following is a summary of the various activities that the members of Sydenham Women's Institute have been involved with during the past year:

For our May Meeting, the Agriculture & Canadian Industries convenor, Mrs. Merna Manders showed us slides, in various stages, in restoring their beautiful house in the country.

Our Women's Institute catered to the Achievement Day for the 4-H Club.

We do volunteer work by driving a little girl in Sydenham to the hospital for treatments each week.

In June we again catered to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind annual dinner, held in Kingston.

In July we held a "This and That" Sale in our President's (Mrs. Helen Kemp's) garden.

On Labour Day week-end, along with the Frontenac Board of Trade we prepared and served at a Fish Fry held at the Town Hall in Sydenham.

For our September meeting, Mrs. Betty Roberts, our Tweedsmuir Curator, showed us some lovely slides on the Erland Lee Home.

In October, for the Citizenship and World Affairs meeting, Mrs. Lois Peer invited a speaker from the Department of Immigration. He spoke on Canadian Laws regarding immigration followed by a Question and Answer period.

On October 28th our Women's Institute entered the Bake & Craft Sale at the Frontenac Mall.

At the Sydenham High School's Commencement, we again sponsored a Bursary in the amount of \$100.00 for a Grade 12 student who will be proceeding to a higher level of education.

Our November Meeting was held for the second year in a row, at Fairmount Home. As many of the ladies residing at Fairmount Home ~~are~~ ^{are} Women's Institute members this meeting of ours brought back many happy memories for them. First we had our entertainment, then served lunch and while we had our business meeting, the residents retired to their rooms.

Our new Cook Books were presented that night, and they turned out to be so successful that we had to have another order printed.

In December we had our annual Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner Party at The Legion Hall in Sydenham. We prepare and serve a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, and many of the Senior Citizens take part in the entertainment program.

It was voted on to present awards at the annual Oral Communications at Loughborough Public School in Sydenham, which was held in April.