

September 6, 1979

Mrs. Harold Collins

Board Director for Sub-Division No. 3

Maiden Name - Ethel May Johnston

Where Born - Horton Township, Renfrew County, 5th Concession

Parents' Names - Father: Francis Henry Johnston
Mother: Ida May Smith

Where I Live Now - Horton Township, Renfrew County, 5th Concession

Husband's Name - Harold Hunter Collins

Children - 11 -- 6 girls, 5 boys

Names: William Harold Collins
Francis Earle Collins
Jean Edna May Collins (Scott)
Garry Hunter Collins
Gwen Anne Collins (Latendresse)
Arthur Beatty Collins
Patricia Margaret Collins (Wieland)
George Bryan Collins
Shirley Cynthia Collins (Smith)
Faye Elaine Collins (Leblanc)
Lynda Joan Collins (Rogers)

Womens' Institute History

I joined the Womens' Institute at the age of twenty (1935). In my own branch I served as secretary-treasurer for three separate terms. Was President for three different terms, Also convenorships of the different standing committees and served as branch district director, etc.

District president for 2 years, federated representative for 2 years for the district, Area Convenor for Agriculture and Canadian Industries for a term, then in October 1978, I was elected as Board Director for South Renfrew, Sub-Division # 3.

I have always been interested in all Community Affairs, the Horton Community Hall and all activities that took place there; dances, socials, suppers, banquets, meetings, Young Peoples' meetings etc. We now have a new Sports-Plex, which has a well-lighted ball diamond and outdoor rink and a banquet hall. We have skating here; also banquets, dances, weddings and anniversaries, that we as Womens' Institute members do the catering to.

I belong to the Calvary Pentecostal Church in Renfrew and have been very active in it. I taught Sunday School for many years, played the piano for church and Sunday School. I belong to the Womens' Ministries of our church. Also I was President for a few years til I started to work as a Nurses' Aide at our local hospital, at which time I had to give up some of my duties in the church.

-- Ethel Collins --

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