

On October 7, 1937 a cairn to the memory of Mrs. Hoodless was erected at the junction of Highway 5 and 24, by the Women's Institutes of Brant County. In June 1962 the National Historic Sites and Monument Board in co-operation with the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada placed a plaque on the homestead bearing the inscription:
"Adelaide Hunter Hoodless 1858 - 1910"

Adelaide Hoodless was born in this farm house and lived here until she married John Hoodless in 1881. On February 19, 1897 she organized at Stoney Creek the world's first Women's Institute.

It was her belief that in this organization rural women could discuss their problems and work together to improve their standard of homemaking and citizenship. The movement spread rapidly throughout Ontario and later to other provinces. Mrs. Hoodless, a natural leader and forceful speaker, introduced the teaching of domestic science in Ontario schools and obtained funds for the building of MacDonald Institute at Guelph.