

23rd euchre luncheon supports charities

April 26, 2003 marked the 23rd annual charity euchre luncheon sponsored by the Browns Women's Institute.

The first event convened by the late Mrs Reg (Marion) Harris in 1980 was in support of the Canadian Cancer Society.

Besides the Cancer Society, the Browns Women's Institute has provided generous donations for the Heart and Stroke Foundation, the Arthritis Society, Canadian Diabetes Association, Alzheimer Society of Oxford County, the Friends of Schizophrenia, Huntington Society of Canada, Multiple Sclerosis Society, Parkinson's Foundation, Osteoporosis Society of Canada, Gene Cell Therapy Research and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

Cheques for over \$400 each were presented to this year's recipients.

Euchre winners

Winners of the door prizes were Mrs Jean Houghton and Mrs Anna McCullough. High Lady was Mrs Thelma Brookshaw; High Man (playing as a man) Mrs Mabel Ballantyne; Ladies' Lone Hands - Mrs Cora Mitchell; Men's Lone Hands - Mr Gordon Smith. Other lucky winners were Mrs Florence Heard, Mr Ernie Oliver, Mrs Kathy Jeffrey, Mrs Ina Pickel, Mrs Verna Switzer, Mrs Connie Kittmer, Mrs Ruth Heron, Mr Ralph Westman, Mr Ken Jeffrey, Mr Alex Jeffrey, Mrs June Rogers, Mrs Betty Ralph, Mrs Reta Jeffrey, Mrs Anna Armstrong, Mrs Ethel Grose, Mrs Joyce West, Mrs Edith Hastings, Mrs Dorothy McDonald, Mrs Marlyn Cross, Mrs Win McMurray, Mrs Linda McCorquodale, Mrs Leta Wood, Mrs Irene Logan, Mrs Helen Hartwick, Mrs Laureen McFarland and Mr Reg Harris.



Browns WI held its annual charity euchre luncheon at the Browns school on Saturday, April 26. Browns WI co-president Liz Harrison, centre, presented the proceeds to Cathie Szmons, left, Chapter President of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and Sharyn Fisher, Campaign Chairperson Canadian Cancer Society North-West Branch.

Oxford District WI

The Oxford District Women's Institute held their Spring Board meeting Monday evening at the Mount Elgin Hall. The Mount Elgin Branch provided the lunch which was enjoyed before the meeting started and during the break in the middle.

President Sheila Greason opened the meeting with The Institute Ode, Mary Stewart Collect, O Canada and a reading '12 Rules for Living.'

Shonna Ward gave a detailed account of the 4H activities in the County, thanking W. I. for donations to their activities. Each member is now required to pay \$25 a year membership, which all goes to the provincial organization. Local groups

need to be financed in other ways. In 2004 it will be \$35 and by 2005 the fee will be \$50, but that allows a member to take any number of clubs in that year. It seems a steep price, but is cheap compared to sports.



Erin Miller of the Senior Salukis, right, battles a Mitchell defender for the ball during last Tuesday's game at DCVI. The St. Marys girls teams are hosting conference playoff games this Thursday afternoon.