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By Ruth Skillings

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Many thanks to all who canvassed for the annual Lakeside Bible Society canvas. Another successful year with contributions of \$1,366! Special thanks to all the generous donors, it is very much appreciated and will put the Holy Bible into many hands over the next year.

The Lakeside Women's Institute met Wednesday evening in the Parish Hall with Browns Women's Institute members as our guests. President Vivian McDonald welcomed everyone, the Institute Grace was sung. Everyone joined in the partaking of a most delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

Following dinner, the Ode was sung and the Mary Stewart Collect was repeated. Cards were sent around to be signed for those sick or shut-in. Browns provided the entertainment. There was a Christmas quiz that people could work on during the evening, Anne Roxburgh had the most questions correct. They played Jeopardy and Anne Roxburgh won that game as well. Santa arrived and created a lot of excitement! It was a very interesting program that was enjoyed by all.

Nonperishable food was collected for St. Marys Food Bank. Articles were also donated for the Women's Emergency House in Woodstock. The next Lakeside meeting is January 2 at the Parish Hall at 10:30 a.m.

The Oxford County Federation of Agriculture met

Thursday evening. Mary Ann Dore, a delegate to the Junior Farmer Forum, part of the OFA Convention, attended to thank OCFA for sponsoring her.

Betty Semeniuk reported on her impressions of the OFA Convention, she was pleased that the recommendations for restructuring of OFA were accepted, and acknowledged that the next phase would mean much more hard work. Oxford and Elgin will have one director on the smaller Board. Other delegates gave their impression of the convention, which they felt was a good experience.

The Agriculture Awards of Excellence is accepting nominations for every category except Conservation. Master of Ceremonies will be Andy Campbell from CKNX Wingham.

Our new member service representative is Janine Lunn. She is married to Brad Lunn and has two small sons, lives in Elgin County. There will be an area office meeting of presidents, OFA directors and secretaries from both counties, early in January. Janine can be reached at 519-421-0128, toll free 1-866-408-0128 or janine.lunn@ofa.on.ca. Nominations are needed for Outstanding Young Farmer by December 31.

Kim DeKlein reported on this year's Leadership Course which runs from January to April, need 15 people to run. There are reduced rates for young people, who often take part with a parent. Annual meetings are coming up over the next two months.