

Campbellville hosts

Active W.I. year reviewed

The 71st District Annual meeting of Halton W.I. was held in St. David's Presbyterian Church, Campbellville on May 24, with over 125 attending. The morning session opened with the Ode and Mrs. George Henderson, county president, presided.

President Mrs. Pearce of the Nassagaweya hostess branch thanked Campbellville and welcomed all.

In his usual humorous way Rev. John Murray, interim moderator, welcomed the gathering on behalf of the congregation.

16 of 17 present
The District Directors, 16 of a possible 17 present, were ratified by new provincial area director, Mrs. George Henderson. Treasurer Mrs. Robert Alexander presented her usual very well illustrated report. The District had handed over \$129.32 in pennies for friendship to help women in underprivileged countries. Total receipts were \$2,029.87, expenses to \$1,320.96. Branches' receipts from various sources were \$19,444.55 and expenses \$8,961.59 leaving balance on hand \$10,483.16.

President reports
Retiring president Mrs. George Henderson visited each of the 17 branches at least once, attended short courses and workshops, special meetings in Toronto and Stoney Creek and Norway Day at Ashgrove, and others. She remarked that the Women's Institute is the largest women's organization in the world. She told of the presentation of the new scholarship, in honor of Dr. Ethel Chapman to Miss Cathy Lasby of Acton, and Bursaries to Miss Tena Rentenaar of R.R. 2, Georgetown for first and second to Miss Nancy Snow, R.R. 1, Georgetown.

Public Relations officer, Mrs. Frank Brown took the chair for reports from conveners of standing committees and special committees Mrs. Jesse McEnery reported for bursaries asking that applications be neat, complete and thoughtful.

Curator of the Tweedsmuir history books, Mrs. Frank Wilson stressed their historical value.

Festival support
Mrs. D. Lindsay, for the recent music festival reported a very successful event. Much of the financial aid for the festival comes from the branches and she asked that they continue. As some trophies have been filled they may be placed in the museum for safe keeping. Early history of the festival is requested to be sent to Ralph McKeown or Elmer Smith.

For Federation of Agriculture Mrs. Spencer Wilson hoped 25 percent of rebate of taxes and farm property would be continued. They are endeavoring to keep assessment at the production level. There are 215 farmers in Halton paying the \$25 membership fee each year.

Mrs. M. Nellis said speakers and films are available for a safety program. She displayed earmuffs to prevent ear damage from noise, mentioned a ray probe for testing for heat, and an emergency 15 minute air pack available. Prizes will again be given for posters and displays promoting safety at the Milton Fair. Mrs. Stuart Murray won a small fire extinguisher.

Comments by convener of Agriculture and Canadian Industries, Mrs. J. Vansickle said 35 new industries had set up or soon would in Milton, that Halton is the leader in mushroom growing.

On Education, Mrs. C. Wrigglesworth advised planting maple trees to replace elms and to make new Canadians feel at home.

Mrs. George Black reported for absent Mrs. D. Smith on Home Economics.

Mrs. C. Britton's Historical Research and Current Events report read by Mrs. Armstrong suggested visits of several historical places.

Mrs. Frank Brown continued with her own splendid public relations report on bursaries, the scholarship, and health, and concerning the district sponsored child.

More resolutions
Under Gladys Featherstone two resolutions were discussed and sent to the area for approval. Mrs. Andrews spoke on one presented by Campbellville regarding re-cycling of solid waste. Mrs. Young of Nassagaweya presented that branch's asking school boards to give teachers permission to use more emphatic disciplinary punishment.

4-H report
Local home economist Mrs. Bannister said that in the past year there are 16 homemaker clubs with over 200 girls taking part, and three projects have been completed, that the garden

club has returned after 18 years absence, and she invited all to Achievement Day in Georgetown May 27.

Using Ontario fruits and using \$1 worth of meat were popular courses last year for adults and needlecraft and sewing with knits seemed popular choices coming up.

New provincial board director, Mrs. George Henderson outlined origin of the Home Economics branch of the Department of Agriculture. She said that 1971-72 had been eventful, especially the 75th anniversary celebrations, and looked forward to an extension to MacDonaid Hall beginning in 1975. She told of the big anniversary dinner in Toronto.

Mrs. Henderson said that they are proud to have one of the six Jr. Institutes of Ontario in this area, namely Norval. Twenty-four promoted resolutions of last year were sustained. In June 1972 the Erland Lee Homestead will officially be F.W.I.O. property and she outlined events leading to its purchase.

Gifts of furniture of 1890's period are requested to furnish the 14 room house.

Stable membership
Halton membership remains stable, but they aim for a 20 percent increase in 1972-73. F.W.I.C. provided a land rover for use in underdeveloped S. Africa. The A.C.W.W. is sponsoring a fund drive to help among the lesser developed countries' women.

Mrs. M. Nellis reported on the 75th anniversary held in the Royal York, Toronto from menus to speakers.

Win contests

Mrs. Pocock of Georgetown complimented Mrs. Corbett of Silverwood for her jute macrame tote bag, the only entry in the class, very well made. Baking judge, Mrs. Austin chose Mrs. Campbell of Nelson the winner for a cherry loaf and Mrs. Stokes of Campbellville second with a pumpkin loaf in a class of 14. Of 11 plates of squares Mrs. Vansickle of Campbellville was first with cherry and Mrs. Wilderspin of Acton second with raspberry squares.

Campbellville's 20 local slides with commentary were placed first and Nassagaweya's second as judged by Mrs. Moffat of Guelph. Hornby's Mrs. Milton Brown observed the In Memoriam.

New officers
Mrs. John Ruddle brought in the state of officers and Mrs. Bannister presided.

Past president, Mrs. George Henderson, R.R. 1, Georgetown; president Mrs. M. Nellis, R.R. 1, Acton, vice president, Mrs. L. Jamieson, Ballinacraig; Second vice-president Mrs. G. Campbell, R.R. 6, Milton.

Fed. Rep. Mrs. George Henderson, alternate, Mrs. John Bird, R.R. 2, Georgetown, public rel., Mrs. Frank Brown, Georgetown, sec'y-treas., Mrs. R. C. Alexander, Georgetown; ass't. Mrs. George Ironside, R.R. 1, Georgetown.

Standing committee conveners: Agr. & Can. Ind. Mrs. J. Vansickle, R.R. 2, Oakville; citizenship and World affairs Mrs. C. Britton, R.R. 1, Acton; education and cultural activities Mrs. C. Wrigglesworth, R.R. 2, Georgetown; family and consumer affairs, Mrs. Don Smith, R.R. 2, Campbellville; resolutions, Mrs. G. Pearce, R.R. 2, Rockwood, bursary and scholarship, Mrs. John Bird, Mrs. W. Webb, Mrs. G. Henderson.

Music festival rep. Mrs. D. Lindsay, R.R. 1, Georgetown, Fed. of Agric. rep., Mrs. Spencer Wilson, R.R. 1, Norval, curator, Mrs. Frank Wilson, Georgetown, first ass't. Mrs. H. Marchington, R.R. 1, Georgetown, 2nd Ass't. Mrs. Hartley Robertson R.R. 1, Milton, safety rep. Mrs. C. Patterson, R.R. 4, Milton.

It was decided to again have an information booth at Fall Fairs.

New pres. Mrs. Nellis presented the county pin to retiring president Mrs. Henderson. Miss Luena Campbell extended courtesies on behalf of Georgetown, including St. David's W.A. for dinner.

Mrs. L. Crawford and Mrs. Roberts presided at the piano for musical numbers—a sing song conducted by Mrs. D. Lindsay and "The Hymn of All Nations" Nassagaweya branch had a musical skit led by Mrs. Pearce. The very good meeting followed the theme "Let us colour our world with understanding."

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