

Highlight decor at Greenock

The March meeting of the Greenock branch F.W.I.O. was held at the home of Mrs. John Addison. Thirteen members and one visitor, Mrs. McDougall who has been an Institute member for more than 60 years, were present.

Following the opening Mrs. R. Sinclair, president, read prose written by Ken Reeves about his boyhood memories of Spring break up. His final plea was Lord Keep My Nation.

Minutes of the last meeting and correspondence consisting of a lengthy letter from Mrs. H. Maluska, F.W.I.O. president, were read by Mrs. E. McGeraghe.

Each member received the quarterly magazine Home and Country which contained accounts written of events that had taken place honouring Miss Helen McKeercher recently retired director of home economics. It also contained a tribute to the late Dr. Ethel Chapman.

Miss Mary (Molly) McGee is the new director of home economics as of February 1977.

Quilt patterns

Mrs. G. Wallace showed a sample quilt block she had made with complete directions on finishing a quilt. These patterns by the Institute branches will be on sale this summer at the Erland Lee Home. Open House will be held June 6-10 at the Home.

They are collecting Zebrs and Dominion cash register tapes which are redeemable for charity work. They are collecting stamps too, for the ACWW Convention gift stall at Nairobi Kenya in October 1977.

It is now nearing the end of the Institute year and time for conveners' annual reports.

Motion passed

A motion was passed to write a letter to the Department of Animal Health due to the fact that there is no clinic scheduled for rabies shots for family pets in the Erin and Erasmosa area as cases of rabies are still being reported in the district.

They have two quilt tops ready for quilting.

A meeting of the Wellington centre district was held Monday, March 14. Conveners and district directors met to arrange the Spring annual. Mrs. G. Wallace and Mrs. A. Gates attended.

Family and consumer affairs conveners were in charge of the programs for March.

Mrs. E. McGeraghe read Edgar A. Guest's poem The Home in keeping with the motto Be it ever so humble there is no place like home.

Treasures

The roll call was bring or tell about something you treasure from the past or something unique. A variety of things were viewed or described; brooches, lamps, clock, miniature flat iron, mirror, china, a quilt, etc.

Mrs. R. McKeown moderated a group discussion incorporating these treasures to their best advantages into a scheme of home decoration. Problems were welcome to help add interest to the discussion.

Members wear green to St. Patrick meeting

by Mrs. Laura Dennis

Thursday, St. Patrick's, was the night you were Irish, or wished you were (at least for a night) when members of Dublin Women's Institute gathered at the home of Mrs. Edward Wilson, Fourth Line, Nassagaweya (Milton), for their regular monthly meeting. Thirty ladies were present which included several from Nassagaweya W.I. who were guests, at this gathering with Irish overtones.

Mrs. E. Norton, president, conducted the opening exercises, and welcomed the sister Branch members. Roll Call was called by Mrs. D. Hunter, secretary. "Pay a compliment to the person at your right" which started the evening off in a good mood.

O.P.P. guest

Mrs. F. McCarron introduced the special guest of the evening, Constable Eric Miller, of the Community Services Branch of the Ontario Provincial Police. A fine film was shown on assaults of different natures, and many realistic situations made all realize that prevention of many of these conditions was a very one.

Afterward, Constable Miller answered many questions as how to cope with special situations. He advised that their particular department would show films to any organization, and that they had a good variety of subjects to choose from. Car trash bags with safety brochures enclosed were given to each one present.

Mrs. M. Hunter thanked Constable Miller for his presentation of the film and the many good tips he had given to the ladies.

Correspondence

Much correspondence was read by Mrs. D. Hunter, which included notice of a Board Meeting on April 5 at Milton; Achievement Day at E.C. Drury School, Milton, on April 23 at 1.30 p.m. featuring "Clothes for Leisure"; and a short course at Stewarttown Hall on April 14 on "Choosing and Using Fabrics".

From an appeal for funds from the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the sum of \$50 was voted to be given for this cause.

Tuesday, May 17 is the date set for Halton District Annual in Knox Presbyterian Church, Georgetown.

Many thank you notes were read from the shut-in folk of the neighbourhood who had been remembered.

Music festival

As a result of a generous

donation recently to the Halton Musical Festival two shields will be prepared and presented to winners in the name of the Branch.

To cater to a sale, a wedding reception and a 50th Wedding Anniversary were upcoming events that were discussed.

Many good tips, as gleaned by Mrs. M. Hunter from a meeting she had attended of the Safety Council, were passed on to the ladies. One special item well worth considering, was for all rural mail boxes to carry the resident's name on each side of the box. This was to facilitate locating the proper location easily when an ambulance was called in the case of an accident or sickness.

Irish Fun

Mrs. E. Norton and Mrs. D. Hunter, of the Friendship Committee, presented some Irish entertainment with a contest of Irish Songs, won by Mrs. W. Lasby and Mrs. B. S. Alder, and an Irish game won by Mrs. W. J. McIntyre.

Mrs. DeBlauw, as first vice-president, expressed the thanks of the Nassagaweya W.I. for the invitation to meet with the Dublin ladies and their enjoyment of the evening.

The Nominating Committee, composed of Mrs. G. McMillan, Mrs. A. Diamond and Mrs. M. McCullough, were reminded by the president that the next meeting would be the annual one for the presentation of a new slate of officers.

A time to socialize with the guests was enjoyed, when the lunch committee composed of Mrs. B. Adler, Mrs. A. Marchison, Mrs. J. A. Van Fleet and a delicious lunch, assisted by the hostess, Mrs. Wilson.

Mrs. J. C. Dennis was courtesy convener.

Spring is theme of W.M.S. March meeting

The March meeting of the Afternoon Auxiliary of Knox W.M.S. was held in the Mary Ellen Anderson room of the church, with the president, Miss Isabel Anderson, in the chair. The meeting opened with a poem, prayer and a welcome given to all by the president.

The committee in charge of this month's program was Mrs. Near and Mrs. Macpherson. Their "Recipe for Spring" was followed by the Scripture readings from the Song of Solomon and Isaiah. Poems: "Sewing Good Seed" and "Springtime", continued on the theme of the coming of spring.

Elizabeth was influential in having congregational hymn singing in the churches rather than music only which was provided by professional musicians.

The business meeting was conducted by Miss Anderson, and the meeting was closed with prayer. Lunch, served by the committee and helpers, was then enjoyed.

Communication within the family was the subject when Peter Marks was guest speaker at the meeting of Trinity Activity Group last Thursday in the church. Since guests were invited there was no business session.

Sue Sale introduced Mr. Marks and Gloria Coats thanked him.

A group of about 30 heard Mr. Marks and got involved in lively discussions. He also had sheets of information and self-testing questionnaires which he shared with those attending.

Problems of communicating with children consumed most of the evening, with little time left over for husband-wife relationships.

Family meeting

Mr. Marks advocated a family council on Sunday afternoons, when everyone meets to discuss the week—the sharing of chores, television viewing, and what consequences will befall the person who does not fulfill his or her commitment to the family. Logical consequences of wrong behaviour should then occur rationally, without the sudden anger which can accompany such times.

In marriage, he related, people marry each other for certain qualities they aspire to themselves. It is in the subsequent conduct of these qualities that marital strife often occurs.

Those attending found the subject fascinating and expressed the hope Mr. Marks would come again.

He is a counsellor with the Addiction Research Foundation, as well as a Halton Hills councillor.

Timely story

In this year of our Queen's silver jubilee the story, "The Royal Family and our Hymn Book" was very timely. Hymns sung in the meeting, "The Lord's My Shepherd" and "Lead Kindly Light" were favourites of the two Queens, Elizabeth II and Victoria. The first Queen

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Family council is suggested to T.A.G.

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Lions club donation

At a recent meeting, Acton Lions Club welcomed a delegation from the Brampton club led by past president Cliff Ditchfield. Cliff is a member of the board of governors and a candidate for zone chairman, zone number 34 west. He was accompanied by Tony Anthony, Bert Ingberg and Ernie Woods.

Also in attendance was Lion Vince Whelan who was transferring from Thornhill Lion club to the Acton Lions club. He is going to become a resident. Cub Lion Al Roach was in attendance.

Donation

Following the meeting the executive had a meeting to make plans for the coming year. They also donated \$50 to the hearing impaired student project. The project is in connection with the E.C. Drury School for the deaf and handicapped. Following the executive meeting Lion Haig Assadourian showed pictures of Ethiopia, which were enjoyed by the gathering.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin H. Soyster have returned to Seattle, Washington, after holidaying with her sister Mrs. Ann Talbot and niece Mrs. John McHugh and family.

Nancy Gordon is holidaying in Honolulu, Hawaii.

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