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District Annual

Mrs. E. Norton new W.I. president

Mrs. D. Lindsay presided at the 81st District Annual Meeting of the Halton Women's Institute, May 28, in Hillcrest United Church.

A welcome was extended by Mrs. Shortill of Silverwood and Mrs. G. Trevisanus of Ashgrove conducted an In Memoriam, particularly mentioning the late Mrs. H. Wilson.

Mrs. R. Alexander ratified the 13 branches, each district director received mimeographed convener's reports.

A brief from Arkell WI was presented by Mrs. E. Norton regarding improvements in court systems, trial delays etc.—to be discussed at branch level and decisions to be forwarded in September.

Standing committee convener reports were moderated by PRO Mrs. J. Wheelihan and adopted. Mrs. Shortill conducted a lively singsong, accompanied by Mrs. B. Benton, pianist for the day.

man Scholarship—Barbara Trevisanus—Bursary—Norma Wilson.

A new regulation regarding bursary was discussed and clarified to be \$100 to boys or girls graduating this year with 60 per cent average; also must have completed six 4-H clubs, or six 4-H homemaking clubs; be residents of Halton, a 4-H club member in Halton; or their mother must be an active Halton Women's Institute member.

Mrs. W. Lasby displayed new badges and pins which are available, and also suggested the Oct. 26, District Day, may be a Pork Producers' cooking school.

Mrs. D. Lindsay gave an account of the PRO officers' conference.

Mrs. L. Jamieson presented the 1982-83 nominating committee report with the following officers being installed by Mrs. Nancy Schmidt: Past president Mrs. D. Lindsay, President Mrs. E. Norton; 1st Vice Mrs. W. Lasby; 2nd Vice Mrs. G. Trevisanus; Federation Rep. Mrs. R. Alexander; Alternate Mrs. D. Lindsay; PRO Mrs. J. Wheelihan; Ass't. Mrs. H. Moulden.

Standing committee conveners—Agriculture and Canadian Industries Mrs. F. J. Shortill; Citizenship and World Affairs Mrs. Keith Cairns; Education and Cultural Affairs Mrs. W. Knapp; Resolutions Mrs. O. Vansickle; Safety Mrs. A. Murcheson; Agricultural Advisory Mrs. J. McNabb; Alternate Mrs. D. Lindsay; Federation

of Agriculture Rep. Mrs. G. Campbell.

Mrs. D. Lindsay, outgoing president, expressed thanks for support and encouragement during her term of office and offered best wishes to new president Mrs. E. Norton.

Dinner was enjoyed by 108, including officers from Peel and Wellington.

Judge, Mrs. Maxine Ellerby, announced bake-off winners: cherry pie, Ashgrove, Scotch

Block, Hornby; iced chocolate cup cakes, Nelson, Hornby, Dublin. Later in the evening a gift in appreciation was presented to Mrs. Ellerby.

Mrs. R. Alexander, Provincial Board member, brought greetings from FWIO and advised of upcoming events.

For the ACWW Convention in B.C. June 21, 1983, each branch is asked to send a gift or craft to value of \$1 per member, to Mrs. C. Dia-

mond. The Theme for Convention will be "Living in Today's World." Used postage stamps are being accepted by Mrs. R. Campbell of Iona Station, Ontario. Bursary Fee is \$2.00 this year.

Earl Burt entertained with several country and western musical selections.

Roll Call—An item of interest on Manitoba, proved interesting and educational."

Art gallery exhibits work of 46 artists

For the first time the gallery in the Halton Hills Cultural Centre will feature works by 46 different artists. The show arranged by John Sommer of House Sol, will display work by 42 artists who have exhibited in Georgetown in the last 20 years.

Famous names such as Ken Danby, Josef Dreiters, Barker Fairley, Jack Chambers, Kack Nichols, Harold Town, Katja

Jacobs, John Snow and Leonard Hutchinson are featured as well as works by other artists whose fame has not yet been established.

Entitled "Tell Me What It Is" by John Sommer the show attempts to show a variety of techniques. A description of the techniques will accompany the art.

The show has been dedicated to the memory of artist and former librarian Marjorie Nazer.

Appoint vice principals

by Roy Sanger
 Additional enrolment at four of the Halton Roman Catholic separate schools created a need for four new vice-principals. The positions were filled by the board at a recent meeting.

Irene Chalupka at St. Mark's, Burlington; Diane Rabenda at St. Gabriel's, Burlington; Elio Mongiardi at St.

Raphael's Burlington; and Val Leblanc at Holy Family, Oakville, were chosen from eight well qualified applicants for the new positions.

Trustees involved in the interviewing and recommendations said their task was made difficult by the calibre of applicants.

Trustee Michael Boyle said the four finally chosen "had just a little bit more of what we thought was required"

The four schools will exceed the 450 pupil mark by September necessitating the additional administrative position.

Homefree
 with Karen Parker

 We've just spent some time wandering Ontario's back roads. It was a worthwhile acquainting.
 Such variation exists across a few hundred miles.

The Picton area is pastoral with unexpected surprises. There's a mountain with a lake on top and it is a strange sensation to gaze out across a lake and then turn and look down a mountain.

There is an area of endless sand dunes where each step shifts and shakes a person out of the false security of regimented time. You cannot walk long or far on sand and hold to the notion of reliable minutes. Time fades. The eyes come back from gazing at the water and take up a visual conversation with the sand. There are no sharp edges. Curves are soothing.

A ferry must be crossed to go toward Kingston on the old highway. A bridge would be quicker. But there is something satisfying about the enforced delay. It's a good-natured waiting with this old friends catching up on news and the rest of us welcome eavesdroppers included in the conversation at the slightest show of interest. People are so friendly with a bit of encouragement.

The old highway follows the lake. Stirred by the historical plaques and our frustration at our ignorance of Canadian history (we should know who Frontenac was) we can dimly see the wagons and horses ribboning through the challenge of the new country.

An abandoned farm house along that highway of memories captures our interest and we risk the ruts to drive in. So overgrown as to be nearly unapproached is the house, yet we come near, amazed at the marvellous power of things wild to reclaim their own. Vines have crept across the verandah and we are not sure if it is these or the rotting posts that still support the roof.

A peak into windows still accessible. At one our hearts nearly stop. It is a tiny bedroom filled almost by a bed, a white iron bed, with mattress still on it. A black straw hat, the clutch of flowers on its brim unbowed if slightly faded, is on the bed as if casually tossed there by someone who has just stepped out of the room for a moment and will soon return. Three or four books strewn across the bed further the illusion.

We hold our breath and creep away. There is a rose bush gone to briar in the yard and we do battle with thorns to pick a bouquet to fill the car with beauty and fragrance. Some person must have planted the bush years ago. It's a pleasant notion this sharing across time. I like to think some things I do for my pleasure today will cross the years and give some other kindred spirit an unexpected lifting of the heart.

We head north and the highway soon begins to cut through rock and we can see Canada's ribs exposed.

In Algonquin Park we walk around a lake on a nature hike. The trail is clear enough for silent guiding, wild enough so that we feel the onlooker as we encounter as we encounter huge, chubby tadpoles, a startling green dragonfly, and the spoor of something large enough to be a big dog but likely not at all a dog and the contemplation causes us to send swift glances into the undergrowth at the sides of the trail.

At Dorset we discover a summer community, one of many, unique, satisfying, the epitome of the screen doors slamming on a hot summer evening. Dorset has a general store voted the best in Canada, a restaurant that used to be the local hotel which possess just the bit of elegance a cottager or camper appreciates on holiday. There's a bridge with one-way traffic. An eating place where the food and the concern over your enjoyment of the food is of unexpected excellence. A community hall that shows two movies once a week, the seven o'clock show for the children, the nine o'clock for their parents. Nightly bingo takes place in the legion hall. A street dance is an annual event.

Twice a day a plane lands on the lake, zooming in at an impossible angle. It exchanges passengers and supplies. It is small enough so that when I stand near I am not filled with awe that such a huge thing can fly but instead my shoulder blades tingle where my wings should be and I feel the yearning that drove man to construct such a machine.

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