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SIX NATIONS NEWS

SOUR SPRINGS WOMEN'S INSTITUTE CELEBRATES 50th ANNIVERSARY

The members of the Sour Springs Women's Institute received more than 75 guests at the Ohsweken Community Hall on Tuesday afternoon, November 24th, 1970, in observance of its 50th anniversary.

Under the initiative of the late Mrs. Wm. Smith Sr. the Institute was organized at a meeting with several other women at the home of the late Mrs. George Smith, Smiths Corners, on November 24, 1920. The Agricultural Representative of Brant County, Mr. Roy Schuyler, Mrs. Rose Hall and Mrs. Hudson Jennings of the Burford W.I. attended to officially install the officers. Elected to office were Mrs. Wm. Smith Sr., President Mrs. Wm. J. Hill, Vice-president; and Mrs. Peter VanEvery, Secretary-Treasurer.

Mrs. Wilfred L. Smith and Mrs. Peter VanEvery were honoured after participating in the Institute for the past 50 years. They received Life Membership pins from Sour Springs W.I. President, Mrs. Eldon Hill.

The official motto of the Institute is "For Home and Country," and all through the years the members have faithfully fulfilled their duties and activities in community betterment.

Young mothers are becoming involved in the work of the Institute and they graciously received and entertained guests at the Anniversary Tea complete with Birthday Cake. Necklaces were presented to Mrs. Mulligan, 87, of Maple Grove, oldest Institute member present, and Mrs. Lorna Rogers, St. Catharines, member coming from the greatest distance.

Institutes represented were from Oakland, Maple Grove, Stoney Creek, Mt. Pleasant, Falkland, Burtch, Oak Hill, Pleasant Ridge, Newport, Scotland, Burford and Ohsweken.

It is of passing interest to note that members attended the first meetings with the horse and buggy or went on foot.

Following organization the first meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Smith Sr. Sour Springs, on Dec. 1, 1920 with 5 members present. The next meeting took place at the home of Mrs. A.G.E. Smith on Jan. 5, 1921. The third meeting was at the home of Mrs. Job Martin on Feb. 2, 1921. Eight more members joined at this meeting. Mrs. Wm. Powless opened her home for the March meeting. The April meeting was at the home of Mrs. Jessie Staats, and on May 4, 1921, 23 members met at the home of Mrs. Peter VanEvery, and without a break the Sour Springs Women's Institute has continued down through the years to this day.

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HISTORICAL PRESENTATIONS TO SIX NATIONS LIBRARY

A presentation of two historical oil paintings was made by Mr. David Mitson, Artist-musician of Dundas, Ontario to the Six Nations Public Library at Ohsweken on Sunday afternoon, Nov, 29th. Mrs. Nathan Montour presented a carving of the head of a Cayuga Indian Chief, the artistic hand-carving of her husband, the late Nathan Montour.

Councillor Mrs. Rena Hill, on behalf of the Library Board accepted the presentations with gracious appreciation and stated that all due care would be taken of these pleasing accessories of historic interest for the library.