

RIDEAU LAKES HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Johnny Appleseed Since his did famous 'walk-about', there are now more than 100 varieties of MacIntosh apples grown and enjoyed.

On April 2, Larry Robinson of Roblyn Eyrie Farm gave fascinating talk on propagation the and cultivation of fruit trees. He advised on the selection of fruit trees for our area, Zone 5; best locations for planting; the benefits of pruning and methods of protecting fruit trees from mice, rabbits and sun scald. available made comprehensive study and guide on planting and fruit growing trees. There are a lot of people in this area interested adding fruit trees to their gardens. This was evident by the many questions asked and which were competently answered by Mr. Robinson.

Our next meeting, the Spring Plant Swap, will be held May 7, 7:45 p.m. at Forfar Community Hall. Master

Gardeners-in-Training will be on hand to field your questions.

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and District Elgin Nursery School has been a busy place during the past couple of months. March the children activities around did Easter, of themes spring, occupations and recreation. The themes in April were food and also were There fun. three field trips in April. The senior class visited sugarbush Chant's the to learn Chantry near about making maple syrup. Thank you to Arthur, Dave, and Danny Chant. Paul children visited the hall in Elgin to fire the equipment see and learn about fire safety. Thank the you to talked firefighters who to the boys and girls. The children visited Box Arrow Farms near Portland to see the horses and colts. Thank you to Ruth for Hayslett interesting tour.

The nursery school children and parents sold Easter Eggs in March. This was a very successful fund raiser and we would like to thank all those who supported us by buying chocolate eggs.

There are two special events coming in May. On Thursday, May 16th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. the nursery school will hold its Open House. Anyone is welcome to come to see what the nursery school has to offer and the children have what doing this year. been Registration for the fall can be done at that time. On Friday, May 17th during regular class time children accompanied by an adult are welcome to visit the school. This nursery is an excellent opportunity to introduce new children to the nursery school.

On Monday, May 27th at 7:00 p.m. the nursery school will hold its graduation. Thank you. Nancy Sheffield

CHAFFEY'S LOCK

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE April 16th meeting The held at the home of Marion Goulah. It was the annual business meeting and nine members attended. President, Kathy Eberhard opened the meeting and then turned it over to life-time member Mary Warren for the installation of officers for the '91 season. Mary read of the report the nominating committee and will the positions be filled as follows: Past President - Laurel Fleming; President - Kathy Vice Eberhard; lst Shelah President Vice Carruthers; 2nd

President - Loris Truemner; Linda Pyne; Treasurer Eleanor Secretary -P.R.O. Pinsonnault; Scribe Anne Willoughby; - Thea Dodge; Resolutions - Janice Cross; Tweedsmuir History Curator - Sue Warren; Auditors - June Helen Alford, Burns; Program Coordinator Sharon Fleming; District Director - Mary Warren; Alternate D.D. - Katherine Scott.

correspondence was The by Secretary, Thea read Dodge and included a thank you card from Lisa Freeman, recipient of the award given by the WI for her 4H work. The District Annual at Lombardy on May 16th was announced and at least four members from Chaffeys will attend.

Roll call was "Describe of` your most one embarassing moments" and there were a good many laughs at some of the incidences.

The new Treasurer, Linda Pyne, collected the \$4.00 membership fees for the year and the new programs distributed. were President, Kathy thanked past program co-ordinator Lorie Truemner incoming the and co-ordinator Sharon Fleming for all the hard work and interesting programs they and their that committee have gotten together.

President, Kathy thanked officers outgoing all and wished the incoming executive success in their work. The meeting was then adjourned.

Next meeting will be May 21, 7:30 p.m. at Mary Warren's home and the members will hear about the May 1990 trip of students to Russia. There will also be a plant auction. Everyone is welcome. Thea Dodge

DR. JOHN KELK

CHAFFEY'S LOCK WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Chaffey's branch of Institute the Women's met in the Community Hall on March 19th. The 4H group, under the direction of Nancy Hayes and Jansje provided Keates the delicious refreshments. These young people cooked squares, cakes and cookies and decorated the tables with a St. Patrick's day motif and displayed some their needlecraft. President, Kathy Eberhard thanked them and Nancy Hayes was given a cheque from the W.I. to present to Lisa Freeman for her many achievements.

Mr. Pep Burt, a local farmer and tourist camp operator, owns and works profitable sugar bush and brought us a video tape to show tapping and sugaring off. He explained how his family tapped trees and made maple syrup and brought us samples to taste. It was not a night to be counting calories. Prsident Kathy thanked Mr. Burt and presented him with a small gift.

The Chaffey's branch were hosting the Lombardy and Philipsville branch ladies. Unfortunately, the Lombardy ladies could not attend but about six ladies from Philipsville were present and told us of some of activities carried the out at their meetings. They do many interesting projects and a lot of valuable community work. President Kathy thanked them for their contribution to our meeting.

After the guests left, the business part of the meeting began with the Ode and Collect. The motto and roll call were read. The roll call was, "What are your earliest something of memories Fourteen ladies sweet?" answered with recollections of penny candy, humbugs, homemade sweets and sugar making.

Secretary, Thea Dodge read the minutes of the last meeting and Treasurer, Marion Chester gave the report. financial President Kathy reminded everyone to bring their old used stamps to

the next meeting. She the District announced Annual to be held May the Lombardy 16 at Agricultural hall. Lunch will be \$8.00 and registration starts at 9:00 a.m.

Next meeting will be April 16th at Marion Goulah's home. This is a business meeting with the election adoption officers report, and payment of All members are dues. urged to attend. Thea Dodge

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