



PORTLAND HOSTS FALL RALLY FOR ELGIN SECTION OF UNITED CHURCH WOMEN

The beautiful colours of autumn greeted the group of United Church Women as they travelled from various churches in the Elgin Section to their fall rally at the lovely Portland United Church on September 28th.

As Ruth MacLean welcomed the gathering of 76 members and 10 guests, Rev. Harry Seeley, addressed the group telling about the community of "Portland on the Rideau", and saying how proud he was of the area, the community and the UCW. Norma Guthrie, President of Portland UCW, also gave a word of welcome to all.

The Seeley's Bay group conducted worship in keeping with the theme "Partner's On God's Earth", reminding us that we are called to be worthy stewards of God's.

UCW Presbyterian President, Linda Mainse (of Olivet Church) brought greetings. Having visited several other rallies in Kingston Presbyterian, it was nice to visit her own area.

Jean Hodgins of Brockville lead lively musical periods

throughout the day as the ladies joined together, with enthusiasm, in song. Irma Bracken, Literature Convenor, provided a large display of reading and study material. She pointed out that the Kingston Resource Centre is available for program and study information, 4072 Bath Rd., Collings Bay 384-3224.

Officers for 1989 were installed, with Ruth MacLean continuing as President; Betty Bond, 1st Vice-Pres; Maureen Ready, 2nd Vice-Pres; and Elaine Taggart, Secretary -Treasurer.

After a delicious meal, served by the Portland UCW ladies, the group reconvened. Lyndhurst UCW members lead the afternoon worship with the hymn "Help Us To Help Each Other".

Guest speaker, Tracey Trothen, a 3rd year theology student at Queen's, who was raised at Markham, Ontario told of her experiences in Grenada of the West Indies, during her summer internship with the Presbyterian Church on a 4-point charge. The tiny, hilly volcanic island of Grenada is only 20 X 8 miles in size and has a population of about 110,000.

Marjorie Earl thanked the speaker for enriching our lives and those whom she touched in Grenada. The women of Portland Church and their minister were thanked by Toledo UCW for the wonderful opportunity for fellowship which they provided. The meeting ended in prayer and song.

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The theme of the October meeting was Thanksgiving. Marjorie Morrison opened the meeting. "Jesus is the man Who Cares" was sung followed by a reading by Clara Mills "To-days Blessings." Clara introduced Karen Earle to the members. Karen demonstrated the making of corsages and made a Thanksgiving floral arrangement that was unusual and beautiful. She provided interesting ideas and methods of flower arranging. Norma Guthrie presented

Karen with a gift in appreciation.

Norma conducted the business meeting, then welcomed all to a social hour with a lovely lunch provided by group 5.

A Christmas Bazaar will be held November 5, 10.a.m. to 2.30 p.m. There will be crafts and baking, a penny sale and children's corner. The November meeting is on the 15th at 7.30 p.m. December through April meetings will be held in the afternoon at 1.30 p.m.

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GREETINGS: TO THE ELECTORS OF BASTARD AND SOUTH BURGESS

Once again, I am pleased to offer myself as a candidate for council in the up-coming election on Nov 14th. This time as Reeve.

After six years on council - three as Deputy Reeve, three years on County Council and two years as the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville representative on the Rideau Valley District Health Council, I believe that I know what has to be done and I'm confident that I can do the job.

Anyone aspiring to higher public office should have a vision. I do have a vision:

I would want our decision making process to be based on planning, communication and consultation. Proper planning prevents painful problems. We must be willing to listen and seek solutions to problems by sitting down and talking.

I would want to recognize all organized groups as an essential part of our community. Governments can't do everything, as much as they would like to make believe. It is the volunteer groups that makes every community tick. We all have the same objective, a better community, so let's do it together.

Waste management is the biggest problem facing every municipality to-day. I believe that recycling is the way to go. There are many things we can do ourselves to help reduce volume and costs. I would hope to hold public meetings to seek ideas, support and involvement.

Our roads are generally in good shape. Our road department is doing a good job. The road to success is always under construction. It is important to keep up because once you get behind its hard to catch up. I would encourage the "keep-up" process and try to take advantage of any grants and supplements available.

I am concerned about the preservation of our environment and natural resources. We have an Environmental Conservation Committee in place. They have done a good deal of research and made many contacts. I would encourage projects to protect and improve the environment and habitat.

Our Recreation, Parks and Community Centres Committee have been very active in assisting many groups. I would encourage their continuation in promoting, supporting and assisting recreational activities in the community.

There is a shortage of affordable housing in our township. The response to the recent questionnaire has been good. The responses are now being analysed and if there is sufficient demand we could apply to the Ministry of Housing for a project. I would pursue this possibility.

Our Fire Department needs some new equipment. They can't provide protection without proper equipment. We must find ways and means to provide that equipment.

According to the 1986 census there were 430 senior citizens in our township and the numbers are growing. These people brought us through two world wars and a depression. They are our heritage and are entitled to enjoy their retirement in comfort and to maintain their independence with dignity. I would want to encourage more respect, caring, support and assistance to these valued citizens.

It would be a pleasure to again serve you on the Municipal Council. And, if elected, I will continue to DO MY VERY BEST, in pursuit of a better community. And, I hope, that I may be worthy of your confidence. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Yours for good government,
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