



SEELEY'S BAY UCW

Our Christmas meeting was held in the C.E. room of our Church with 25 in attendance. Hostess Gladys Webb welcomed everyone and Pres. Joyce Simpson opened with a poem. Kathy Degraff gave a thoughtful, timely devotional. Business session followed.

Secretary read the minutes and correspondence. Treasurer Helen Sweet gave her report, after which we discussed and voted on annual commitments i.e. allocation was raised to \$550. A letter was read asking for greater support of our M&S fund.

We remembered our shutins and planned to send a bit of Christmas cheer. We also plan to visit the Lodge again this year with a short programme, refreshments and visiting. Date for this is Dec. 10.

January meeting will be held in Seeley's Bay Library.

Our program convenor Hilda Simpson presented a humorous skit with a cast of 8 members, who pointed out, with lots of fun - the joys of neighbourly gossip. Peggy Sweet contributed a lively humorous reading.

Our program finished with a beautiful candle lighting ceremony performed by Joyce and Hilda Simpson. This little ceremony truly brought home the real meaning of Christmas. We then had our annual cookie exchange. Each member brings cookies, all placed on the table, then everyone picks a cookie from each box. Each brings home a wonderful assortment.

Delicious refreshments brought our Christmas meeting to a close.

SWEET'S CORNERS SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Our first attempt at sponsoring a bingo at Mr. Bingo's in Kingston was successful. The committee made a profit of \$1200. A very big thank you to the following enthusiastic volunteers who helped: Bonnie Roantree, Penny Roantree, Chris Munro, Linda Stanford, Susan Day, Tammy Mattice, Wendy Jackson, Cheryl Bush, Lori Berry, Cindy Simpson, Barb Donaldson and Peggy Sweet-McCumber. Also our appreciation to those local people who came out to play.

The other fundraising event was a table at Rideau Crafts. The profit was \$250. with an additional \$60. raised at the Crafts Sale in Seeley's Bay Fire Hall. Dawna Loucks and Barb Donaldson were instrumental in organizing these two events.

The next meeting will be held on Jan. 20th at 7:30 p.m.

LEEDS COUNTY 4-H

Leeds Junior Farmers

Junior Farmers is an organization set up to provide opportunities for young people - like yourself.

This organization is not only for the young people in the farming community of Leeds County but also for any person in the county between the ages of 15 and 29 interested in meeting new friends, participating in sports, travel opportunities and other recreational activities, becoming involved in community projects and taking on new challenges.

Among some of the activities of the Leeds Junior Farmers are broomball, hockey, baseball and soccer tournaments (to name only a few!), skating and skiing excursions, a golf day and a bowling night. The Leeds Junior Farmers also participate in various competitions such as the Farm Safety Competition and the Ottawa Experimental Farm Judging Competition.

The club also hosts several delegates from around the world. In the past, delegates from the United Kingdom, Germany and Australia have toured the area with the Leeds Junior Farmers.

If you're a 4-H member (or not), why not consider joining our club. It's fun and there's always something on the go. If you are interested in more information or in becoming a member, contact the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food Office or come to next Junior Farmer meeting at the Athens Lions Hall on Jan. 8th at 8:00 p.m.

Family Financial Management

A new home study program to help Ontario farm families plan to get the most value from their family living income.

Topics include:

1. What do you want to do with your dollars? - setting goals and guidelines
2. What do you do with your dollars? - spending habits
3. Home office area - records and accounts
4. Your spending plan - what is it? and why use it?
5. Personal credit.

Brochures and registration forms are available from the Ministry of Agriculture and Food office, Brockville. Deadline for registration is January 20, 1987.

SEELEY'S BAY LEGION

Branch President Garry Hunter would like to take this opportunity to thank all branch members and the Ladies Auxiliary for their support in the past year and wishes one and all a very merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Ladies Auxiliary President Velma Turner extends the same wishes and added a special seasons greetings to the ladies who worked so hard all year on behalf of the Ladies Auxiliary.

And to our senior citizens club, a warm seasonal blessing from all.

Next general meetings - Jan 14th and Jan 28th at 8:30 p.m. Adam & Eve darts every Friday at 8:00 p.m. starting Jan. 9th.

SENIORS SEMINAR

to be hosted by
M.P.P. Bob Runciman

M.P.P. Bob Runciman will host a Seniors Seminar in Brockville on Wednesday, Jan. 21 at the Catholic Cultural Centre from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Entitled "FACE THE FUTURE WITH CONFIDENCE" the seminar will seek to address some areas of concern to the province's senior citizens. The following professionals will make presentations: Jean Macintosh, Placement Co-ordinator for Leeds, Grenville and Lanark; Nancy Green, Co-ordinator of Brockville Home-Share; Maurice Fleet, Manager, and Lawrence Fielding, Business Development Officer, Montreal Trust Co.; John T. Corbett, Q.C.; and Shirley Botham, Homecare Officer.

Topics will include: Home care and Home support Services; Legal and Financial considerations for the elderly. Members of the audience will have the opportunity to pose questions to the panel.

"Anyone approaching senior citizen status, or with parents in or near that age group will, hopefully, find the seminar useful," said Runciman.

For additional information contact: Jennie O'Grady 342-9522 or call Toll free through Zenith 20210

SEELEY'S BAY PARK COMMITTEE

The following are the results of a survey conducted in November to help determine how the park may be improved. It was mailed to 320 households with 62 returns. A 20% return was deemed to be relatively successful.

Question 1 - of those who responded:

82% were occasional users of park; 9% were regular users; 9% did not use park

Question 2 - 91% would use park more frequently if facilities were improved; 9% would not

Question 3 - Priorities, in terms of improvements:

1st - general beautification eg landscaping, flowers

2nd - better washroom facilities

3rd - improved playground equipment

4th - building tennis courts

5th - better sports programs

6th - more programs and facilities for seniors

OASWT DINNER HELD AT WESTPORT

On Nov. 19th, the Gananoque and area members of the Ontario Association of Superannuated Women Teachers attended their Christmas dinner meeting in Westport Legion hall. It was catered by one of the units of the legion.

President Nina Churchill welcomed all present including new members, some of the "twin" group from Kingston and other guests.

Following toast to the Queen and God Save the Queen, a period of silence was held in memory of two members who had died recently, Mildred Milligan of Kingston and Stella Cheetham of Gananoque.

Mrs. Churchill introduced head table guests. Reports were given by Treasurer Strong and Doris Potter, District Director. Kingston guests were Alice Hogeboom and her husband, Ethel Shannon, Goldie Dack and Louise Poole, from the Brockville group and new members were introduced.

After the delicious meal, there was some carol singing with Kathryn Scott at piano. She expressed her thanks for award presented to her at her cottage at summer's picnic. It was announced that 30 teachers had formed guard of honor at Stella Cheetham's funeral.

The second highlight of the meeting was the fascinating information and slide presentation on "The Wonder of Birds" by Marg Hendrick, a birder. The group's interest was immediately aroused by her topic and her interesting details related about birds in general.

Varieties of birds were shown in her slides from the petite hummingbirds to the majestic snowy old and after hearing of some of the habits of these many birds, one was well aware of the wonder of birds. Some nests were on display.

Gifts and toys were brought to be given to Gananoque Salvation Army for distribution to children at Christmas.

With singing of O. Canada and We Wish You a Merry Christmas, all those attending felt it had been a very enjoyable meeting.

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