



ELGIN U.C.W.

Anna Charland chaired the March meeting of the Elgin UCW.

This year the World Day of Prayer was held in St. Columbanus Church and Nina Churchill described the service. She said that it was a very touching one, wherein the hope was expressed that people of all Christian denominations would eventually draw closer to one another.

Loree Smith gave a report on the Annual Presbyterial Meeting. It was announced there that 1985 is the Year of Youth, the 70th anniversary of the CGIT and that the UCW Conference would be held in Perth on April 2nd and 3rd.

Irene Guthrie, Marion Seeley and Katherine Sides presented the worship service. It centred around the idea that even though some are fastidious about spring cleaning their homes, their lives are in need of a cleaning in the spiritual sense. It was said that by looking at our lives and breaking bad habits, replacing them with good ones, by having a clean heart and throwing away negative thoughts, we could become better Christians and happier people.

In keeping with our study on Korea, Marjorie Earl showed a film-strip entitled, "Even Though We Are Not Blossoming Now". This film helped us to better understand 100 years of Protestant witness in South Korea. It showed how Koreans have managed to survive many hardships through the years. Christians there have worked to help the poor and oppressed in spite of oppression by the ruling class. Throughout it all Koreans have managed to retain their sense of humour and a great hope for the future. We should be happy that our Church, along with other Christians, tries to help these courageous people in their efforts to put their faith into action.

It was announced that the Presbytery Executive would meet in Morven, April 29 and that the Woman Alive Conference would be held on May 11 at Smiths Falls. Reports were given and plans discussed for various forthcoming events after which lunch was served by Reta Freeman's group.

**ELGIN & DISTRICT
CO-OPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOL**

Feeling the effects of Spring Fever? Yes, well come to our dance and kick up your heels. We all deserve some fun after the winter. The dance is on March 30/85 at the South Crosby Public School. Jeff Findlay will be providing the music. Since such fundraising events are crucial to our school operations, we would also appreciate your support. Hope to see you there!

At the Feb. 25th meeting, Ruth Brown our teacher, reported that the theme for Feb. was "Looking After Ourselves", with emphasis on personal hygiene. The children talked about parts of their body and the things they can do; i.e. clap with hands, etc. They discussed doing things for themselves such as dressing & washing, clothing, food & drink. The Dental Health Nurse, Julie Cassell, visited the school & instructed the children on how to brush their teeth & foods that are good for the teeth. Highlights of Feb. were the Valentine's Party & a Teddy Bears' Picnic. The theme for March has been "Emotions" and "How we can Help Others". This month's highlight was a tour of Tom Lawrence's Sugar Bush.

ELGIN 4-H CLUB

On Wed. Feb. 13, the members of the club met to begin their new project, Basic Baking. The project, which is held on Wed. nights at the home of leader Heather Green & goes from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., deals with easy to make foods such as tea biscuits, many varieties of cakes and pies, easy to spread frostings and cake decorating.

It was decided to name the club "Doughbusters" and the following officers were elected: President-Tanya Hawkins, Vice-Jody Knapp, Secretary-Christine Knapp, Press Reporter-Tammy Hayes. The other members of the club are: Sherry Mallen, Suzanne Pyne, Angela Green & Hilary Hawkins.

The club is led by Heather Green and Nancy Hayes and is sponsored by Chaffey's Lock W.I., where on March 13 the group held a bake sale to fill one of the requirements listed in the books. Everyone is having fun with this project and are looking forward to Achievement Day on Saturday, May 4/85
Tammy Hayes

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The March meeting of Elgin and Philipville was held at the Senior Citizen's Hall with a good crowd in attendance. The meeting opened with the League Prayer. President Sherri Murray welcomed all the members and guests.

The Roll call was read followed by minutes. Treasurer Debbie Kenney gave the financial statement. Correspondence was read by Doris Vanhone. The letters included thanks and requests for donation to the Cancer Society - it was decided to send a donation.

Reports were given by the Conveners of the various standing committees. All of the vacancies on the slate were filled on a volunteer basis.

Fees will be collected in April. Plans were made for the Convention at Queen's University. Father O'Neill sent a message regarding the Canadian Register publication. Secretary Samantha Moylan introduced our guest beauticians, Marie Sharp and Ann Appleyard who gave a wonderful demonstration on "Expressions in Colour". Helen Burns won the prize of a free colour make-up. The girls explained in detail the importance of choosing the proper colour to match your skin and complexion. We are all compared to one season. Genevieve Donovan thanked the guests for their wonderful demonstration as well as an almost mystical effect achieved by the clever tying of a scarf for neck trim or belts.

The meeting adjourned and lunch was served by Marguerite and Debbie Kenney, Maureen McCarthy and Margaret Hamilton. Kathryn Scott moved a vote of thanks to the hostesses.


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