

75th ANNIVERSARY OF NOBLETON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

JUNE 2, 1983

The 75th anniversary of Nobleton Women's Institute was celebrated on June 2 in the community hall. The day was beautiful in keeping with the event. In attendance were approximately 45 members, representatives from Laskay, King, Vellore, Bogartown, Pine Orchard, Aurora, Gormley, VanDorf, Schomberg and guests from Nobleton.

The meeting opened with the president, Mrs. Merritt presiding. O Canada, opening ode and Mary Stewart Collet were rendered. The assistant secretary, Mrs. D. Lane read the minutes of the first meeting from 1908, followed by the minutes of our 70th anniversary meeting celebrated in 1978. Correspondence was read and birthday cards were received from many branches.

Mrs. Merritt welcomed each visiting branch and thanked them for coming to the special day. Mrs. Boynton introduced the guest soloist, Mr. Tony Biss who sang the beautiful piece, "Misty". Mrs. Bill Cain accompanied Mr. Biss on the piano.

The special speaker, Mrs. Evelyn Snider was introduced by Mrs. Merritt. Mrs. Snider spoke on home and country as follows: how marriage vows have changed, how farmers are slowly leaving the land, pesticides, food additives, shortage of water and the value of knowing and loving one another. Mrs. Snider also stated that if something is "bugging" us, we should not keep complaining but do something about it such as writing to the proper government department. The speech ended by wishing Nobleton W.I. another 75 years of good luck. Mrs. Davis thanked Mrs. Snider and presented her with a card and a gift in appreciation. Mr. Biss favoured us with a second selection, "Feelings". Mrs. E. Chapman thanked Mr. Biss and Mrs. Cain for their part in the afternoon and in appreciation presented cards and gifts.

Mrs. Timpson, new president of York Centre brought greetings from the district.

The beautiful birthday cake was cut by Mrs. Florence Hoover, a life member of Nobleton W.I. During the cutting, pictures were taken for the local newspaper. The meeting closed with "God Save the Queen" and the singing of the W.I. grace. Birthday cake, ice cream, tea and coffee were served by an excellent committee- Mrs. L. Kaake, Mrs. M. Irwin, Mrs. Firest Mactaggart, Mrs. C. Boynton, Mrs. J. Merritt and Mrs. H. Lane. Many favourable comments were received about the display of crafts created by members of the branch- quilts, cushions, doilies, hooked rugs, afghans, pictures, knitted articles and many others. The hall was decorated with flowers supplied by Mrs. L. Kaake and Mrs. Forest Mactaggart.

The afternoon ended with many compliments and goodbyes.

Guests

Mary Anne Merritt
Willow MacDiarmid
Florence Hoover
Mary Bishop
Helen Martin
Bertha Wilson
Hazel Atkinson
Margaret Hodgson
Juanita Ella
Jean Weir
Doris Dunn
Betty Castator
Jean Boynton
Gladys Laverty
Eileen Nielson
Grace Timpson
Mary Hamilton

Bernice Irwin
Agnes McCarthy
Edith Davis
Clara Julian
Evelyn Snider
Grace Cain
Muriel Mactaggart
Isabel Forest
Betty Ramstra
Edna Roden
Marie Brown
Susie Burton
June Petch
Laura Douglas
Barbara Bennet
Helen Hunter
Joan Chalmers

Jennie Malloy
Dorothy Lane
Doreen Chapman
Catherine Phillips
Agnes Walker
Gladys Bible
Dorothy Todd
Isabel Ella
Helen Rumble
Marg Davis
Verna Kaake
Verna Black
Mary Forte
Jean Kirby
Rena Gordon
Jean Wood
Eva Barton