

SPRING MEETING UPDATE:

The spring meeting was held April 11th at St. Mark's United Church, Cannifton, Ontario.

Lemonade was served during the Meet and Greet.

BUSINESS MEETING

President Judy Mewett welcomed members and guests

A special welcome was given for our Area 7 director, Jennifer Davis, who Judy called on to bring us Greetings.

Jennifer brought greetings from Provincial and outlined how much she had learned about the Provincial as a director. She asked everyone to think about being involved with the executive or other groups and activities. Judy presented Jennifer with a small token of our appreciation for being our director.

REPORTS

Reports from the secretary and treasurer were accepted by the members.

Membership forms available for this next Year. Eileen thanked everyone for getting their forms completed so quickly for her.

Brenda Ingram, with Issues and Concerns, spoke about The Suggestion Box. She mentioned that the comments could be positive and ideas for things to consider with our group. If there are any concerns, members were also asked to give their thoughts. She also warned us about Ticks. She put a paper at everyone's place with a website to give us information and what we can do.

Convention: We have 3 delegates attending the June Convention at the Nottawasaga Inn: Judy Mewett, Wendy Bryson, and Elaner Pound. Judy also mentioned that anyone else can attend but would need to pay their expenses. Jennifer commented that some people have driven to the convention just for the day.

Judy asked that we congratulate Elaine Dafoe, one of our members, for being chosen to receive a Provincial Award for her work at BGH.

Cora Bailey Award Presentation



The recipient was Eleanor Alexander.

Judy Mewett and Diane Fisher presented Eleanor with a certificate and flowers.



Eleanor's daughter read a bio on her mother and her history as a teacher. She started in a one room school with 14 children and taught 27 years all grades and special education at Harry J. Clarke School in Belleville.

Eleanor spoke and mentioned that it was a special privilege to be a member of RWTO and to take on the duties of president and be part of many committees after retirement. She heard that Socialization is one of the important keys to longevity.

Eleanor's husband and their daughter were the guests that she brought with her to celebrate the occasion.

Eleanor has lived a full and happy life and is always smiling and cheerful.



LUNCH

The church ladies treated us, once again, to home cooked ham and scalloped potatoes with traditional vegetables, salads and buns complete with delicious homemade pies for dessert.

GUEST SPEAKER

After lunch, Kay Sowden introduced George Thompson and Elizabeth Churcher for their presentation about Nature.



Elizabeth Churcher

Their presentation was titled "Nature Tales from Hepatica Hill". Hepatica being one of the many wild flowers growing on their property.





George Thompson

Elizabeth and George took us on a very interesting and descriptive tour of their farm talking about the plants, birds and wildlife that they encounter every year.

Door Prizes: Names were drawn for three floral plants.

Reminders/Announcements:

Next General Meeting: June luncheon will be Thursday, June 14, 2018 at the First Pentecostal Church. Social Time: 11:00.

Entertainment for the June meeting will be an award winning One Act Play presented by members of the Belleville Theatre Guild called "Tea with Roger". Written by Peter Paylor.