

# Bradford Women's Institute now in 50th year

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A host of women in the Bradford area are members of the Women's Institute, an organization working for "Home and Country" in many ways.

Mrs. Len Crockett heads the 25 member Bradford W. I. this year celebrating its 50th anniversary.

In days past this active group were raised £1,200 to herald a route in York County Road's recovery. Mrs. Gordon Church notes Bradford members are getting older and not able to undertake work involving long-term use. New members are always welcome, old eyes, and especially young eyes, the greatest need of the hour.

In 1974, members have received addresses in papers such as Unemployment Insurance and the care of women. Christmas boxes were prepared for residents at various homes, Domes and Marigolds Villa.

Beal Head Women's Institute was incorporated in 1925 under the evening light on Highway 27, at the magnificent hillside at the north end of the village. Mrs. Helen Hildart, the secretary reports.

The first meeting in Beal Head was started by the W. I. in 1925. It was many years ago. This branch has donated furnishings, including tables, to the community hall and worked the kitchen with dinner and other.

Dozens of terraced paths have been filled with a 25 member group sponsored by Beal Head W. I. and 25 have received

personal letters for the completion of 25 projects.

Mrs. William Reynolds is president of the 21 member branch organized 55 years ago.

The May 4, 1975 Institute will be held in the Beal Head Community Centre, known as the Women's Centre. Mrs. Evelyn Stevens will be the speaker.

Two W. I. (W. I.) draws members from two townships, West Gullibility and Westmoreland, as its name implies. President Mrs. Allen Crockett has 21 more activities project as a new feature for Spring. Business that included in Christmas year.

This winter the branch sponsored a quilting event open to anyone in the area. A total of 27, many non-institute members, quilled by the night.

Secretary Mrs. Helen Fisher says the branch sponsors an Auction and through the Canadian Save the Children's Fund and L.I. Club at home.

Two W. I. which boasts 40 members celebrated its 25th anniversary three years ago.

Flora's Garden, organized in 1950 will be an active charter member, Mrs. W. J. Hawkins. The 20 member group raises funds by serving food booths at community events. It sponsored quilting event in Beal Head Community Hall. Secretary Mrs. Len Stevens reports. The January 20th the Children's Aid Society. Table game an occasional address is there on "Local". Mrs. Eleanor White is the president.

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