



ACW Launching Out

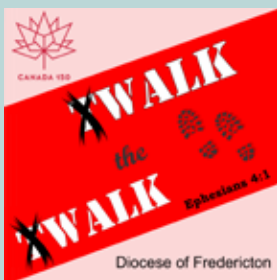
OUR PURPOSE

- *To unite women in a fellowship of worship, study, and offering which will deepen and strengthen their own spiritual lives, and lead them into Christian service in parish, community, diocese, nation, and world.*
- *To work for and sustain an informed interest in the mission of the Church.*



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MCKNIGHT PHOTO

Farraline Place celebrates Canada 150

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

An absolutely perfect summer day was the setting for the annual garden party at Farraline Place in Fredericton Aug. 10.

The theme was "Canada 150" and most were dressed in red and white. The afternoon began with the singing of *O Canada*. Barbecued hamburgers with potato salad and coleslaw, with cake and ice cream for dessert, made up the menu.

Several people spoke, including Fredericton Mayor Mike O'Brien and Progressive Conservative Leader Blaine Higgs. MLA David Coon sent a representative since he was out of town.

Home administrator Judy O'Donnell acted as emcee and thanked everyone for

coming.

"We live in the most beautiful country in the world," she said. "I would like to welcome you all here on behalf of the residents and staff."

Board treasurer Charlie Wright also welcomed visitors.

"It's wonderful to celebrate with you," he said. "I know Judy and I and those who make this their home are glad to have you here."

The Stepping Stone Seniors Centre Troubadors entertained with songs about Canada and its provinces, including *Farewell to Nova Scotia*, *Squid Jigging Grounds*, *This Land Is Your Land* and *This Land of Story*, *more photos continued on page 3*

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PATTI HOYT PHOTO

Diocesan ACW executive was unchanged from last year. From left: Glenna Geer, past president; Joyce McElman, treasurer; Jill Stewart, 2nd vice-president; Linda Fury, 1st vice-president; Rosemarie Kingston, president; and Linda Lebas, secretary.

Farraline Place Harvest Gala

Saturday, Oct. 21, 5:30 p.m.
Featuring a "First Choice" auction
Christ Church (Parish) Church, Fredericton
\$35 per person, \$20 tax receipt

Tickets: Judy O'Donnell 455-6443
or ACW members
Hosted by the board of Farraline Place
and the Anglican Church Women.
Proceeds support Farraline Place

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ANNUAL Farraline Place *Garden Party*



GISELE MCKNIGHT PHOTOS



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:
The Troubadors entertain; home administrator Judy O'Donnell; faithful ACW members from the Parish of Sackville; PC leader Blaine Higgs and Fredericton Mayor Mike O'Brien;



Canada 150 cake; Diocesan ACW president Rosemarie Kingston with her one-year-old granddaughter Annie; board treasurer Charlie Wright handles barbecuing duties for the garden party.

Canada 150 celebrated at Farraline Place

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Ours.

Many of the speakers talked of the lifestyle we enjoy as Canadians — the scenic beauty, freedom, safety and health care, including ACW president Rosemarie Kingston.

She compared it to her experiences in Uganda, where AIDS

and HIV have left many as orphans, and in Argentina, where people woke up one morning to find their life savings were worth nothing.

In summing up the feelings of many, Mayor O'Brien said, "It's never good to be too proud, but let's cheer for Canada!"

On The Journey # 9, with Eva Morton

“He did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to Him.” (Psalm 22:24b)



Every once in awhile, something comes out of nowhere and throws me for a loop. Insecurities that I thought had been dealt with years ago return out of the blue and send me into a whirlwind of self-doubt.

When I was a child I was frequently criticized for talking too much and talking too loudly. As I grew older, I came to dread the shushing of the grownups around me. I was a little too enthusiastic, too opinionated for polite company.

Even as an adult, I would occasionally be corrected by others, sometimes even my own children, for interrupting, or getting carried away in animated conversations.

I learned over the years to “stifle” (quoting the classic Archie Bunker putdown of his wife, Edith), and I think I became fairly good at it. Being a rector’s wife, it was pretty well a pre-requisite.

But when I feel ‘safe,’ I can still get carried away, and get over-excited about an sudden

insight, or a new revelation. Bible studies bring this out in me.

Over the last year, I have been participating in a lively, interesting Bible study group at my church. I enjoy it so much that I have re-arranged my work schedule to that I always have time to attend.

Last week, something happened which could have spoiled all that for me. As usual, I was consciously making an effort to listen to the other participants, holding my tongue before interjecting a response, thinking I was allowing plenty of time for others to speak, when I was criticized by the leader for interrupting someone.

I did not think I had done

so; in fact, I felt that I was just contributing to her remarks.

In the moment, I laughed and smiled, hiding my hurt.

The leader could not have known my history; that I grew up being admonished for the very thing he had accused me of. He could not have known — especially when I laughed it off — how hurt I was.

I didn’t even know myself until the next morning, when, during my prayer time, I realized how dominated my thoughts were by what had happened the day before.

I was surprised by the sense of sorrow I was experiencing. I had finally found a group where I could really be myself, where I didn’t have to hold back or reign in my enthusiasm, only to be smacked down like an unruly puppy.

Because this was how I felt, I knew I couldn’t just laugh it off. I couldn’t wait until the following week and expect things to be back to normal.

I had to be honest about my feelings, and I had to, in Jesus’ words, “leave my sacrifice at the altar and be reconciled to my brother,” difficult as that might be.

I prayed that the Lord would give me the right words to say, then I told the person how I felt. He, of course, had no idea that his gentle reprimand had hurt so deeply.

If I had not told him the truth, the hurt would have

continued to fester, and our relationship would have suffered as a result. Thanks be to God for prompting me to be honest.

I grew up being taught that expressing our feelings is a sign of weakness. One was supposed to just buck up and get on with things.

Over the years, God has taught me that I can always rely on Him to comfort me and lift me out of any morass of low self-esteem I may stumble into.

I accept that in every situation I am learning and growing in my faith. I willingly accept the discipline of the Lord, and sincerely want to learn from my mistakes.

If indeed God was prompting me to listen more carefully, to hold my tongue just that moment or two longer, then I am grateful for my Father’s loving attention as I continue on my journey to Christ-likeness.

But when a brother or sister in Christ hurts me, I am obligated to tell them so, and invite the Lord to heal our relationship.

Perhaps you, like me, have occasionally been surprised by an unexpected re-awakening of feelings you thought had been put to rest.

When this happens, don’t brush it off. Bring it to the Lord. He will not hide his face from you, but will hear and lead you forward. Thanks be to God!

Blessings,
Eva

WOODSTOCK DEANERY NEWS

The annual meeting of the Woodstock Deanery will be held at St. Helen’s Anglican Church in Arthurette on Tuesday, September 12, 2017.

Registration and a “meet and greet” will begin in the church basement at 9 a.m. with refreshments of tea, coffee and muffins.

A service of Holy Com-

munion will commence at 10 a.m. with the Rev. Pat Drummond officiating.

Lunch will be served at 12 noon, followed by our business meeting, a program presentation and election of officers.

This year’s theme is “The History of the Role of Women in the Anglican Church.” Lois Jensen and Connie Haddad will

give a short presentation based on the DVD “Our History, Our Hearts” from the ACW Ottawa Dioceses.

Following this presentation, we will engage the group in some discussion with a series of questions and topics of interest.

During this time we will also recognize our founder, Roberta Elizabeth Tilton, and are asking (if possible) for every-



one to wear an old style hat that was fashionable in her era. (She lived from 1837-1925.)

We will even have a prize for the best looking hat!

If there are any questions or concerns about the meeting, please get

in touch with Connie Haddad at 345-8607 or 356-4551.

We look forward to a good turn-out and a time for friends to once again gather together.

Church of the Ascension Apohaqui News

Apohaqui ACW, along with the Belleisle Creek ACW, hosted a parish retirement party for Rev. Wally and Iris Collett, and John Manning, who had served in this parish for the past eight years and had become part of our church family.

The event took place at Medley Hall on Sunday, May 30. Highlights were a lovely lunch; entertainment with George Urquhart and Dan McCormick; gifts of a beautiful red and white quilt handmade by the Belleisle Creek ACWs; a handsome hooked Mummies rug handmade by the Apohaqui ACWs; and gift certificates.

It was a special farewell for three very special friends.

The Apohaqui ACW held a very successful turkey salad supper on July 22 at Medley Hall. We had planned this for awhile, wanting to celebrate Canada 150 and at the same time, fund raise.

We decided to decorate our beautiful, old hall with doilies, tea sets, cream pitchers, oil lamps, a very old red and white quilt and other vintage items used when serving a meal.

We have since received many favorable comments from both

men and women who enjoyed seeing the 'old ' being used and appreciated, using cups and saucers for their hot tea.

The menu was various cold salads and strawberry short-cake for dessert.

And as ACW ladies before have done, we worked hard in the summer heat, yet were pleased with the day's turnout, and in the end it is all for the church!

Monies raised at this event will be added to a special fund, set aside for a new roof for the Church of the Ascension. Now the planning begins for our annual Christmas Tea & Bazaar, to be held at Medley Hall, Apohaqui, on Saturday, Nov. 4, beginning at 12 noon.

We are delighted to have the Rev. Dan McMullen, priest of our Parish of Upper Kennebecasis, who is always so willing to assist us, serving tea or tidying up after an event, and help with community events in Apohaqui as well. We congratulate him on his ordination, June 18.

*Beverley Floyd, secretary for Apohaqui ACW,
Church of the Ascension*

Kingston-Kennebecasis Deanery Report

The ACW Deanery Annual Meeting will be held at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Hampton on Sept. 21. Registration will be at 9 a.m. with coffee, tea and muffins in the church hall.

The Holy Eucharist service begins at 10 a.m. presided by the Rev. David Turner. Our guest speaker will be from Coverdale Centre.

Coverdale Centre for Women Inc. is a half-way house for women offenders and an emergency shelter.

The Catholic Book Store will be on-site with a number of

items for sale.

Each branch is asked to provide enough sandwiches and sweets for the number attending from their branch, plus some extra as the clergy of the deanery will be joining us for lunch.

Also please bring items for Coverdale Centre (toiletries or other items women would need or want) so we can present them to the guest speaker.

We are looking for a good turnout on the 21st.

*Diane Todd
President*

Shediac Deanery ACW Report

I'm sure it has been a busy summer for all. Our parish was involved this past May and June with the bishop's pilgrimage. It was a privilege for all of us to walk with and spend time with him.

The parishes in our deanery have been busy with salad take-outs, catering to community events and holding bazaars.

Barb Haire and I had the privilege of attending some of your ACW meetings in May which we really enjoyed and plan to get to more places this fall. Thank you to all who

hosted us.

Planning is well under way for the upcoming ACW annual meeting in October to be held at St. Mark's, Mount Whatley, N.B.

As many of you are aware, our deanery will be hosting the Diocesan ACW annual meeting in May 2018 and work has begun on this endeavour.

Hoping to see many of you at St. Mark's in October.

*Veronica Locke
president
ACW Deanery of Shediac*

ST. MICHAEL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH HARVEST SUPPER Newcastle Bridge, Minto, September 27

MENU:

**Turkey, dressing, potatoes, squash,
peas, carrots, apple/pumpkin pie,
rolls, tea & coffee**

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4:30-6:30 p.m.

**Adults \$10; children 6-12 \$5;
under 6 free**

Wheelchair accessible

Take-outs available

Book of Remembrance - Roll of Honour

Please notify Diane Todd and your Deanery representative with names of those who should be entered into the Book of Remembrance. If you would like to put a member on the Roll of Honour, please contact Diane at 506-832-2470; email: chuckdianetodd@gmail.com or 47-Vernon Ave., Hampton, NB E5N 5N1



ACW annual meeting includes international visitors, tea party

BY GISELE MCKNIGHT

Canon Caleb Twinmatsiko was one of three guest speakers at this year's annual ACW meeting.

It was held May 2-3 at St. Mark's Anglican Church in St. George, in the Archdeaconry of St. Andrews.

Farraline Place administrator Judy O'Donnell and Grand Bay Play Park Project chair Anna Caines also spoke.

Canon Caleb and his wife, Hope, have been visiting the diocese for several weeks this spring.

Caleb is the assistant rector and headmaster of Bishop McAllister College in Uganda.

Hope has an MA in psychology and is a lecturer at Kampala International University. She also lends counselling support to students at Bishop McAllister College.

"Back home, if you want something done and done perfectly, you involved women," Caleb said in his speech. That statement drew enthusiastic applause from the ACW women.

Caleb has worked at Bishop McAllister College for 20 years, and before that, was a student there.

From humble beginnings, the school has grown to close to 1,000 students, but housing them has been a challenge.

A dorm for girls is a huge priority. Right now, a dorm built for 160 girls holds 340.

"We cannot turn girls back," he said. "We must take them. Without girls the future is not there."

Bishop David Edwards opened the annual meeting with a sermon on Luke's account of the events on the road to Emmaus after the death of Jesus.

"In the story, they had given up," he said. "We thought this guy Jesus was the one they told the man they encountered on the road. 'You must be the only guy that doesn't know. They crucified him.'"

Many people have given up, he said. They have no relationship with God, yet have a sense that God has something to do with their lives.

"We need to walk with these people as they're discovering who Jesus is," he said.

"In our different ways, we are called as the church to show who Jesus is, individually and corporately. Our job is to reveal Jesus to others."

Business meeting

The regular business meeting included the book of remembrance — the reading of the names of ACW members who have passed on in the last year.

Roll call, financial reports and other reports were also given. There were 96 women in attendance.

The offering of more than \$1,000 will be split between Farraline Place, Bishop McAllister College, the Grand Bay Play Park Project and PWRDF.

Lunch was a literal tea party, with fine china at every place setting, and decorations in the hall, not to mention the amazing array of sandwiches and sweets all fit for a queen.

President's speech

Rosemarie Kingston's speech challenged members with the message that much change still needs to take place in the world.

An Anglican consultative report to the United Nations on the Status of Women showed the lack of gender equality in the world.

"No country shines when it comes

to gender equality," she said, adding the worldwide human slavery industry generates more revenue than the oil industry.

She also spoke on the Council of the North, the challenges faced by people in our Arctic region and what the ACW is doing to help.

"The [clothing] bale industry is still as important as it was over 100 years ago," she said.

"In fact, one of the bishops told us how, as a child, her family received bales. It was a very exciting time for the children for the bales often meant new clothes for the first day of school."

To combat a high youth suicide rate, education is vital, she said.

She gave the group four questions to ponder: Whom do we talk to to bring about change? How are we going to talk to our members? What change do we want to take home to our parish ACW groups? And what do we need to say to be heard?

ACW members attended a banquet in the evening, and continued their meeting the following day with the two other speakers and the conclusion of the business meeting.



1. Browsing at the Catholic Bookstore display. 2. Reader Linda Collin Lebens. 3. Reader Linda Fury. 4. Annual banquet. 5. The dazzling display of sweets at the tea party luncheon. 6. A festive look at the tea party luncheon. 7. Canon Caleb Twinmatsiko and Bishop David Edwards. 8. Reader Glenna Geer. 9. Diocesan ACW president Rosemarie Kingston

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THE PRESIDENT'S NOTEBOOK



At our annual meeting in May, a member asked why we were only celebrating the ACW 50th anniversary when the WA (Women's Auxiliary) had existed for so many years before the ACW was formed.

I also wondered why the change of name. Our questions were answered at the National Gathering in June.

WA started when Roberta Hilton returned from the states to Canada. While in the states she learned of a church group of women making bales for the

needy.

With the bales in mind, she came home and started making bales for the north with the help of other church ladies. According to the Gage Canadian Dictionary, the word auxiliary means supplementary or additional.

WA was meant to be more than auxiliary.

The WA had work independent of the church. In fact, many of the clergy told the WA that they were not to raise money.

As ACWs we often donate to

other non-church groups. One example would be Coverdale Centre.

The second reason for the name change was that the name WA did not tell others we were Anglican. Thus the name ACW.

It tells the world who we are — Anglican Church Women.

At the National Gathering we celebrated not just the last 50 years. We also celebrated the years before when we were known as the WA.

I look forward to our Quite Day in September. Hope to see

you there.

I am also looking forward to visiting each of the deanery annual meetings.

Blessings and Serenity.
Rosemarie Kingston

Diocesan ACW Quiet Day

Wednesday, Sept. 6

**Holy Trinity Anglican Church
Parish of Derby and Blackville
298 Main St., (on Route 8)
Blackville, NB**

**9:15 a.m. - Registration &
fellowship at the church**

**10 a.m. - Service of Holy Eucharist
(A free will offering will be collected
during the service)**

**Special Speaker:
Rev. Ann Fairweather
Parish of Restigouche**

**Parking available at the church
and hall (across the road)**

**INFORMATION: Sybil Hills
slhills1959 at hotmail.com OR 506-545-6399**



THEME: Being quiet with the Lord

**LUNCH: Cold potluck lunch in the hall
(Please organize within your group something
to share for lunch)**

**QUIET ACTIVITY: Please bring pencil
crayons in a variety of colours**

REFLECTION: On prayer boxes made last year