

25th,
ANNUAL MEETING
CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR CREATIVE LEATHERCRAFT
Geneva Park Conference Centre
Lake Couchiching

April 18th, 19th and 20th.

April 18th, 1975

- Arrive Geneva Park - after dinner
- Registration - May Corbett
- Judging by Fellows - rooms #3 and 4
- Chairman - Anne Hook

April 19th, 1975

8:30	-	9:00 a.m.	- Breakfast - Cafeteria - Dining Hall
9:00	-	10:00 a.m.	- Setting up displays - meeting rooms #3 and 4
			- Registration - May Corbett
			- Memberships - Bea Austin
			- Draw Ticket Sale - Gladys Riddell
9:30	-	10:00 a.m.	- Coffee
10:00	-	12:00 p.m.	- Business Meeting - Receive Reports - Lounge
			- Election
			- Question Box - Fred Brown
12:30	-	1:00 p.m.	- Lunch - Cafeteria - Dining Hall
1:30	-	3:00 p.m.	- Demonstrations
		1:30 - 3:00 p.m.	- Dyeing Techniques - Jessie Little Meeting Room #1 and #2
		1:30 - 2:15 p.m.	- Pine Cone Carving - John Marsden Meeting Room #5
		2:15 - 3:00 p.m.	- Nature Tan Leather - Jack Meharg Meeting Room #5
		1:30 - 3:00 p.m.	- Cattails - Mrs. V. Ferrara Meeting Room #6
3:00	-	3:30 p.m.	- Coffee, Draws.

3:30 - 5:00 p.m. - Demonstrations

3:30 - 5:00 p.m. - Wallet Interiors - Clara Cavanagh
Meeting Room #1 and #2

3:30 - 4:00 p.m. - Braided Belt - Muriel McKnight
Meeting Room #5

4:00 - 4:30 p.m. - Wallet for Adult Beginners -
Ruth Haig Meeting Room #5

4:30 - 5:00 p.m. - Hobbies in Ageing - Margaret Jennings
Meeting Room #5

3:30 - 5:00 p.m. - Inlay Work - Nora Huyck
Meeting Room #6

5:30 - 6:00 p.m. - Dinner - Cafeteria - Dining Hall

8:00 p.m. - Speaker - Marie Aiken - Lounge
Gravenhurst, Ontario

After Speaker - Socializing - viewing of displays - Rooms 3 & 4

10:30 - 11:00 p.m. - Dismantle displays - Irva Ford

Evening Snack

SUNDAY, APRIL 20th, 1975

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. - Breakfast - Cafeteria - Dining Hall

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. - Viewing of slides (Room to be announced)

11:00 - 12:00 a.m. - Future of C.S.C.L.

12:00 noon - Sleeping room check-out time.

12:30 - 1:00 - Lunch - Cafeteria - Dining Hall

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DINING HALL

MTG. RM. #4

MTG. RM. #3

SERVERY

MTG. RM. #

MEZZA-

NINE

above

Snack

Bar

KITCHEN

MTG. RM. #1

MTG. RM. #5

(3 Demo.)

Wash-

Rooms

STAFF

LOUNGE

MTG. RM. #6

(4 Demo.)

Entrance

Foyer

Sleeping Wing

MTG

RM.

#7

General Meeting

LOUNGE

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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I wish to welcome the members and guests to the 25th Annual meeting of the Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft. Your attention is directed to the minutes of the 24th meeting held in Belleville and to the reports of the various officers and committee chairmen. The reports give a full report of Society activities, however, there were events during 1974-75 which were not covered by committee reports.

Ten of our members attended the Annual Meeting of Canadian Guild of Crafts (Ontario). C.S.C.L. members also contributed a number of leather articles which were exhibited for the month of April 1974 at Canada Life Place, the setting for this meeting.

The World Craft Council conference "In Praise of Hands" was attended by ten of our members. Held at York University, the many facets of the world of crafts were enjoyed by all who attended. Daphne Lingwood provided the only demonstration featuring leatherwork, which we all made sure to attend. Canada and the working committees responsible are to be congratulated on a most interesting week. Mrs. M. E. Hogg, is Vice-President, North America.

Two delegates from C.S.C.L. - attended the C.G. of C.(Ontario) Affiliates week-end conference held at Georgian College, Barrie, Jan. 31st. and Feb. 1st, 1975. Theme "Future of the Guild". Report of this conference and articles on the Affiliate members will appear in the April-May issue of Craft Dimensions. A copy is to be sent to all our members.

Forty-five of our members took advantage of the \$1.00 membership in the Ontario Craft Foundation, which entitled them to receive the "Craft Ontario" magazine.

Our membership reached 211 for 1974-75. There were six executive council meetings held--attendance averaged 18. The Branches met monthly from October to June with many aspects of leathercraft being demonstrated and experiments tried. The Larmour Memorial Library is presently being catalogued and will be circulated shortly.

Again death has taken some of our members--Mrs. Reta Lamour, HLFCSCL, our Honourary President, and Mr. Sandy Coutts, a member of executive council. There have been others in the Branches I am sure, but unless you let us know sometimes we miss hearing of members who have left us in death.

MINUTES OF THE 25th ANNUAL MEETING - 1954
President's Report - continued

We have enjoyed an exceptionally active year and I wish to thank the Officers and Executive Council members; the various Chairmen and their committees for their co-operation and support of C.S.C.L. Some of who have been called upon to carry very heavy work loads. The successful programs we have produced occurred only because everyone worked together. THANK YOU, one and all.

Respectfully submitted

Helen M. Wheaton,
President.

After Election

This will be the last time I will speak to you as your President. It has been my pleasure to serve you on the many occasions happening in the past three years, and now on the Occasion of the 25th Annual Meeting. It is certainly amazing when one realizes our Society not only has survived 25 years--but is a growing organization, as the membership shows. Our constitution is sound. God willing we may be around another 25 years. Alleluia! A-men.

As to the Future - The Society will be in capable hands and I have only good wishes for my successor and ask that you give May Corbett and her executive the same willing support you have given me.

Retiring President

Helen M. Wheaton.

MINUTES OF THE 24th ANNUAL MEETING - Saturday, May 4, 1974.

This annual meeting was hosted by the Belleville Branch at Holloway Street United Church in Belleville, with a very good attendance.

President Helen Wheaton brought the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and extended a welcome to all. Minutes were recorded by Carol McLean.

Moved-Fred Brown/George McPhail that the minutes of the last Annual Meeting be accepted as recorded.

Moved-by Treasurer George McPhail/Gladys Riddell that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Moved-Clara Cavanagh/Evelyn Burgess that the Council of Fellows report be accepted.

Moved-Irva Ford/Lorna Robson that the Exhibitions report be accepted.

Moved-Bea Austin/Kay O'Riley that membership report be accepted.

Moved-Beula Reynolds/Gel Brigden that the Editorial Report be accepted.

Moved-Helen Wheaton/Anne Hook that the Publicity Report be accepted.

Moved-Olivia Smith/Sherle Bottrill that Branch Reports be accepted.

Correspondence:

1. An invitation from the Arts, Crafts & Hobbies Show at the Canadian National Exhibition was read by Margaret Monteith-- the contract was filled out and returned through Fred Brown.
2. A letter wishing us the best for this Annual meeting was sent by Ruth Haig, as she was in hospital unable to attend.

The highlight of the morning came when the Weston Trophy Award was presented by May Corbett, Vice-President of Branches. She explained some of the trophy's history to those gathered.

The trophy was won by Barrie Branch with a mark of 84%. Anne Hook commented on the articles.

The results were as follows:

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| 1. Barrie - 84% | 4. Hamilton - 80.6% |
| 2. Toronto - 83.2% | 5. Belleville - 73% |
| 3. Woodstock - 82.4% | |

There were 2 Associate Awards presented^{ed} by Clara Cavanagh, Chairman of the Council of Fellows, to Joyce Poulson and Howard Brock Sr. Joyce won the Zalitis Award pin (for the highest mark of competing associates).

Gel Brigden was presented with an Honorary Associate Certificate from a recommendation of the Executive Council.

Howard Brock presented Helen Wheaton with a Life Membership to the Leather Pounders International-Salt Lake City.

There was much discussion on the question of whether to raise our fees to \$5.00. It was pointed out that since the organization was formed in 1950 that only one increase in 1959 had been instituted. Moved-Fred Brown/Anne Hook that a secret ballot be conducted-carried.

The question to be "Do we raise the fees to \$5.00?" The vote was conducted by Margaret Monteith and Marion Kehoe.

Vote Results were: 51 yes

20 no

Total 71 voters

Fees will be \$5.00 for year beginning April 1975.

Nominating Committee Chairman, Irva Ford presented the following slate of officers:

Past President - Irva Ford

President - Helen Wheaton

1st Vice-Pres. - May Corbett

2nd Vice-Pres. - Beula Reynolds

Treasurer - Dorothy Muma

Corresponding Secretary - Margaret Monteith

Recording Secretary - Carol McLean

Executive Council (limit 15)

Fred Brown

Olivia Smith

Bob Sutton

Evelyn Burgess

Bea Austin

Sadie Roebuck

Gel Brigden

Jessie Little

Laura Bush

Kay Cloughley

Marion Kehoe

George McPhail

Sandy Coutts

Dorothy Proctor

Chairman of Council of Fellows - Anne Hook

Archivist and Teaching Standards - Robert Muma

Co-Ordinating Editor - Joy Hutcheson

Minutes of 24th Annual Meeting - continued

Branch Presidents: Barrie - Clara Cavanagh
Belleville - Catharine Lough
Hamilton - Royce Richardson
Toronto - Gladys Riddell
Woodstock - Kathleen O'Riley

Moved - Hook/Layton - nominations be closed.

Moved Ford/Olivia Smith slate be accepted.

The officers were introduced to the membership and installed by Irva Ford.

Belleville Branch was thanked for hosting the meeting.

Announcements - The World Craft Council will be held at York University, June 9 - 16, 1974. Many C.S.C.L. members plan to attend.

The next Annual Meeting will be a very special one being our 25th Anniversary. There is no invitation for next year's annual at present.

The new executive council decided upon the date of their first meeting.

Fred Brown, assisted by some of the Council of Fellows, answered queries from the question box.

Meeting was adjourned followed by Luncheon.

There were various draws through out the day for prizes donated by the membership. This was very successful financially.

A talk on "Design for All" was enjoyed by everyone, followed by demonstrations and a coffee break in the afternoon.

The banquet was followed by a group of delightful Indian Children sharing their dances with us. Mr. Art Duncan was the after dinner speaker.

Displays were then dismantled.

Respectfully submitted

Carol McLean

Recording Secretary.

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MARCH 11, 1972

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Vice-President in charge of Branches is appointed to act as a liaison between executive council and branch members.

There has been no call on this service for several years. The purpose of this office is to offer a friendly exchange.

May we help you?

Respectfully submitted

Beula Reynolds

Vice-President/Branches

LIBRARY COMMITTEE REPORT

This committee was first set up in May of 1971, when the tools and books owned by Ralph and Reta Larmour were donated to C.S.C.L. It was felt the books would form the basis of a permanent Library, which has now been named "The Larmour Memorial Library".

The tools and Leather were sold at auction on three different occasions to Fellows and Associates being finalized at the Annual Meeting in Belleville. The result of the auctions produced an amount of \$1,080.00, which has been in a separate bank account, in trust, administered by the committee. These funds are to be spent in maintaining the library. A stamp was bought and each book is stamped "property of C.S.C.L." and "Larmour Memorial Library". A proper Library code has been set up and proper circulating library boxes have been purchased. As time goes by new books will be added to the present list.

Respectfully submitted

Fred Brown
Chairman.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE PERIOD MAY 10th, 1974 to
MARCH 31, 1975.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

RECEIPTS:

Balance received from previous Treasurer \$444.64

Annual Meeting:

Associate Fees	\$ 20.00	
Proceeds of 24th Annual	125.63	
Donations re 25th Annual	<u>85.00</u>	230.63

Exhibitions:

Sales	5,306.50	
Entry Fees "Leather '74"	117.00	
Awards "Leather '74"	<u>100.00</u>	5,523.50

Interest on Investments:

for General Expense	87.50	
for Awards	<u>31.90</u>	119.40

General:

Memberships	1,005.00	
Sales "Canadian Leathercraft"	15.45	
Rebates	23.60	
International Assembly Account	638.70	
Bank Interest & Premiums	<u>2.38</u>	<u>1,685.13</u>
		<u>7,558.66</u>
		<u>8,003.30</u>

Respectfully submitted

Fred Brown
Chairman

COUNCIL OF FELLOWS 1974-75

In 1974 the ANNUAL MEETING of the COUNCIL OF FELLOWS was held on March 29th, at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Muma.

EXPENSES:

Exhibitions:

Sales - Payments to Craftsmen & Tax	\$4,249.26	
Postage & Stationery	7.00	
Awards "Leather '74"	135.00	
Judges Fee "Leather '74"	14.80	
Janitor Fee "Leather '74"	16.63	
Catalogue "Leather '74"	15.72	
Refreshments "Leather '74"	73.57	
Expenses - CNE	146.27	
Petty Cash - CNE	100.00	
Accounting - CNE	63.00	
Insurance re display cases	35.00	4,856.25

"Canadian Leathercraft":

Postage & Stationery	52.00	
Printing	283.72	335.72

Annual Meeting:

Postage & Stationery	18.00	
Awards (inc. new certificates)	806.14	
Geneva Park re. 25th Annual	100.00	924.14

General:

Postage & Stationery	131.64	
Printing	44.23	
Membership Cards	28.76	
Telephone	9.72	
President's Expenses	85.50	
Storage	100.00	
Membership - Canadian Guild of Crafts	50.00	
CNE Prize - Canadian Guild of Crafts	50.00	
Returned Cheque	3.00	
Bank Charges & Exchange	18.26	521.11

March 31, 1975 Balance at Bank

6,637.22
1,366.08
8,003.30

Audited and found correct,
April 2, 1975
Olivia Smith, George McPhail

Respectfully submitted,
Dorothy Muma
Treasurer.

COUNCIL OF FELLOWS 1974-75

In 1974 the ANNUAL MEETING of the COUNCIL OF FELLOWS was held on March 29th, at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Robert Muma.

Articles were submitted for ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP by four CSCL members.

Two members were elected A.C.S.C.L:

Joyce Poulson	80.8 awarded the Zalitis Pin
Howard Brock Sr.	77.5

There were no entries for F.C.S.C.L.

Five Branches competed for the Weston Trophy. It was won by Barrie Branch with a percentage of 84.

Clara Cavanagh resigned as Chairman of the Council of Fellows, and Anne Hook, Secretary, was appointed Chairman. Jessie Little was appointed Secretary.

Meeting of the Council:

May 24th - The Council of Fellows met at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Muma for the purpose of selecting articles for the LEATHER '74 EXHIBITION. 68 pieces of leathercraft were accepted. The following day, the prize pieces were chosen by Paul Bennett and Robert Muma.

June 3rd & 4th - The exhibition was set up in the Learning Resources Centre - Toronto Public Library, 666 Eglinton Ave. W., Toronto, where it opened on June 8th.

Jan. 17th, 1975 - A brief meeting of the Council was held prior to the monthly meeting. It was decided that the method of marking remain as it now stands; also, that the number of Fellows jurying remain at FIVE. Since no agreement was reached as to a special activity for the Fellows and Associates, the Fellows were asked to consider this and advise what they wish.

Feb. 14th - The Larmour Library Committee met at the home of Fred & Phyllis Brown at 9:30 a.m., to prepare listings of the books, sorted as to subject matter, title, publisher, etc. preparatory to typing on the Library cards.

Council of Fellows - continued

Feb. 21st - The Committee met again, to continue the above. The boxes have now been purchased, and if the typing can be done on the cards, hopefully the Library may be ready for the Annual Meeting 1975.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Hook,
Chairman Council of Fellows.

EDITORIAL REPORT

Another year has gone by and we are still struggling to obtain enough material to print "Canadian Leathercraft" four times a year.

We would like to thank the members who have co-operated in the past by sending in articles. We still need technical articles, lots of them. It is our aim to print a technical article in each edition but sometimes this is impossible to do.

Thanks again and hope for a bigger and better year coming up.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Hutcheson.

EXHIBITIONS

It is with pride that we look back to the third major exhibition of the Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft which was held in the Forest Hill Library, Learning Resources Centre, 666 Eglinton Ave. W., Toronto, from June 3rd to June 28th in 1974. We were honoured to have Mr. Robert Secord from the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services officially open Leather '74 on June 8th. In spite of extreme heat that evening, the attendance was excellent.

There were 92 articles of leather entered by 33 people in Leather '74. Of these, 68 pieces were on display. The judges, Mr. Robert Muma and Mr. Paul Bennett awarded the four prizes to Itsuko Yasui, Daphne Lingwood, Anne Hook and Irva Ford. Six craftsmen received Honourable Mention: Clara Cavanagh, Daphne Lingwood, Rex Lingwood, Jessie Little, David Trotter and Paul Williams.

Our Society acquired seven new members as a result of the Exhibition. Four articles were sold.

Many visitors viewed our show and Mrs. Helen Judkins from Pointe Claire, Quebec and Mrs. Page from Thornhill Library, Toronto, both asked for an exhibition of Leather to be forwarded to them. These exhibitions were both extremely well received and the reviews in the papers were most encouraging.

The Annual meeting of C.S.C.L. in Belleville had an attendance of 95 including 4 visitors. Over 300 articles of leatherwork were displayed.

The exhibition and sale of leather at the C.N.E. under chairman Robert Sutton was again a success. Thirty-four members sent 1,584 articles for sale. Total sales were \$4,892.30. Choice articles, not for sale, were on exhibition in the wall cases. Our sincere thanks goes to Robert Sutton, his assistant Gladys Riddell, and members who worked at the sale.

A few of our members entered the Canadian Guild of Crafts juried exhibition at the C.N.E. Anne Hook was presented with the F.W. Woolworth award for "Best Leather". Daphne Lingwood won the Tandy Leather Co. Award for Decorated Leather, and Rex Lingwood received the C.S.C.L. Award for Best Functional Design. In the Women's Division competition at the C.N.E. several C.S.C.L. members won prizes. Jessie Little was the winner of the Chatelaine Award for Best Leatherwork.

Exhibitions - continued

Another important event in 1974 was the Design Canada Awards competition. Rex Lingwood, Irva Ford and David Trotter received cash awards and certificates at a dinner at the Regency Hyatt Hotel in Toronto. The Design Canada Award pieces were exhibited both in Ottawa and Montreal.

During the World Crafts Conference, the Canadian Guild of Crafts had a 'Master Craftsmen's' Exhibition at York University Art Gallery. Paul and Beverley Williams, Daphne and Rex Lingwood and Irva Ford had 2 articles each on display. At the Science Centre, where the exhibition "In Show of Hands" was shown, Daphne, Rex and Irva had work exhibited during the weeks they were demonstrating leathercraft.

Our fourth C.S.C.L. Exhibition is already booked for March 1976 in the new gallery of Can. Guild of Crafts near the Ontario Art Gallery, Toronto. Let us accept the challenge and start working now for Leather '76.

Respectfully submitted,

Irva Ford
Exhibitions Chairman.

C.S.C.L. MEMBERSHIP REPORT for 1974-75

During the past year we have had a paid Membership of 211 as follows:

Fellows 22

Associates 37

General 152

Respectfully submitted,

Bea Austin
Membership Chairman.

BARRIE BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT

The Barrie Branch C.S.C.L. meets on the fourth Wednesday each month at one of the local schools. During the past season we held ten regular meetings at which business was conducted and a demonstration or workshop held. Some of the items demonstrated were- Turtle lapel pins, Carving a pine cone, How to dye Nature Tan leather, Decorating with dyes and How to prepare a paper pattern for a purse. The meeting on purse patterns was followed up by a Saturday workshop on purse construction at the home of Kay Naftel.

Even though the public transit workers were on strike the Barrie members managed to get to Toronto on four days to assist at the C.S.C.L. booth at the C.N.E. Arts Crafts and Hobby Show. At the local level, we again took part in the open air sale, Huronia Festival of the Arts, at the waterfront in Barrie on Civic Holiday weekend. We also had a leather display and sale at a Craft Tea at one of the local churches. For the first time we embarked on the venture of holding our own Pre-Christmas sale of leather for one day in a shopping mall. We are pleased to report it was a great success and we hope to make this another annual event.

The Weston Trophy hung in Barrie during the 74/75 season thanks to the talent and efforts of five of our members (Sherle Bottrill, Clara Cavanagh, May Corbett, Emma Knowles and Gary Walsh). The judges awarded the trophy for a total mark of 84%. Several of the Barrie members had articles accepted for display in the "Leather '74" prestige show with Clara Cavanagh receiving honourable mention for her green combination tote-bag and purse. She was also awarded three first prizes and one third prize in the C.N.E. Craft Show.

We held social get-togethers for members and guests in the form of a summer barbeque and a Christmas Pot-luck supper.

New Executive 75 to 77 (2 year term)

President	- Gary Walsh
Vice-President	- John Marsden
Secretary	- Emma Knowles
Treasurer	- Kay Naftel

Respectfully submitted

Kay Cloughley,
Secretary.

BELLEVILLE BRANCH REPORT

HAMILTON BRANCH JANUARY 1975

- April 1974 - Hamilton Branch - demonstration of book covers and use of section books.
- May 1974 - five part demonstrated hanging harness for pots bottles or candles.
- June 1974 - M.C. Smith participated in "It's Your Bag Day" at Gate Park, also "Image '74" at Hamilton Place, and at the C.N.E. Arts & Crafts Sale during the summer.
- October 1974 - and presented showed slides from the World Craft Conference.
- November 1974 - First known demonstration turned tables.
- December 1974 - Innis, Linda Party with fun and games continued by five parts and first P. Party.
- January 1975 - Douglas, Jack - Party for the C. book on the various types of leather and their tanning process.
- February 1975 - Book review and binding by Clarence Redman.
- March 1975 - Election of Officers 1975-76 and a demonstration of 7 string braiding on pots by William Beach.

Respectfully submitted

Andrew Gordon.

Office of Officers 1975-76

President	Norm Davidson
Vice-President	Andrew Gordon
Secretary	Wendy King
Assistant Sec.	William Beach
Treasurer	Marie Johnston
Membership	Joan Smith
Projects	Marion McKnight
Publicity	Alma Mackay
Social	Dorothy Henderson
Religious	Elaine Kemp
Telephone and St. C.	Bob Austin
Library	Clarence Redman

HAMILTON BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT

- April 1974 - Lillian Beech - demonstration of book covers and use of precision tools.
- May 1974 - Irva Ford demonstrated hanging harness for pots, bottles or candles.
- June, 1974 - H.L.C. Guild participated in "It's Your Bag Day" at Gage Park, also "Image '74" at Hamilton Place, and at the C.N.E. Arts & Crafts Sale during the summer.
- October 1974 - Paul Bennett showed slides from the World Craft Conference.
- November, 1974 - Fred Brown demonstrated turned edges.
- December, 1974 - Annual Xmas Party with fun and games conducted by Irva Ford, and Mr. & Mrs. F. Torry.
- January, 1975 - Douglas Black - Tandy Leather Co. spoke on the various types of leather and their tanning process.
- February, 1975 - Book repair and binding by Clarence Redman.
- March, 1975 - Election of Officers 1975-76, and a demonstration of 7 strand braiding on belts by Lillian Beech.

Respectfully submitted

Audrey Gorton.

Slate of Officers 1975-76:

President	-	Hope Drysdale
Vice-President	-	Audrey Gorton
Secretary	-	Ruth Haig
Assistant Sec.	-	Lillian Beech
Treasurer	-	Marie Jonasson
Membership	-	Jessie Strain
Program	-	Muriel McKnight
Publicity	-	Alma Luckett
Social	-	Betty Hendstridge
Bulletin	-	Mildred Kemp
Telephone and Sick	-	Bea Austin
Liaison to HARAC	-	Irva Ford
Exhibitions	-	Art Morris
Librarian	-	Clarence Redman

TORONTO BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT 1974-75

This year has been a very active one for the Toronto Branch, with average meeting attendance of 22.

In early summer, 1974, an executive group of senior citizens from this Branch was formed, and a New Horizons Federal Government grant was applied for and approved by early autumn. The funds applied for were for the purchase of an electric typewriter, a duplicating machine, and stationery....this for the use of recording copies of all lectures for the members, and methods demonstrated, so that various techniques of leathercraft would be kept available for leathercrafters in future years. As well as this office equipment, there was a funding of \$1,000.00 allowed for the purchase of leather in large quantities, this to allow the members to purchase good leather from the society at close to wholesale prices, this fund to be constantly replenished by the purchase funds, by charging slightly more than the purchase price..this is already in operation, and seems to be working quite favourable.

Our meetings have been run this year not so much as demonstrations, but rather as workshops-in-miniature, with many of the members working along with the demonstrator to improve their skills.

The October meeting was devoted to discussing the types of leathers to be purchased with the new grant, and then the November meeting was a workshop on wax-dyeing, and string dyeing, presented by Kay Cloughly. The December meeting was on the subject of resist-dyeing, and decorative design, by Mary Patterson, followed by the gentlemen of the club providing us all with a Christmas-party refreshment table of monumental proportions.

January's meeting took the form of a workshop on woven wallet making, capably done by our President, Gladys Riddell, and in February, Jessie Little had everyone in a colourful mood with a mini-workshop on dry brush dyeing technique, and a general discussion on dyes.

Yet to come are the following:

- March - Bob Sutton demonstrating saddle-stitching and thread making,
- April - Fred Brown ensnaring us all with methods of lacing,
- May - R. Potter demonstrating the art of book cover repair.

June has been set aside for a reunion of all past and present Toronto Branch members.

Following each meeting there have been refreshments served.

Toronto Branch - continued

The following executive served for the 1974-75 season...

President - Gladys Riddell
Treasurer - George McPhail
Secretary - Pamela Frith

Respectfully submitted,

Mary M. Patterson,
Secretary.

WOODSTOCK BRANCH ANNUAL REPORT

Woodstock branch of C.S.C.L. meets on the 4th Thursday of each month at Springbank School, Woodstock. During the C.S.C.L. year 10 regular meetings were held with an average attendance of 11 members. Workshops and demonstrations followed each business session. These included macrame knotting, mystery and Mexican braiding, bottle covering, leather molding, lampshade making and soft handbag framing. Demonstrators and instructors included: Carol McLean, Nora Huyck, Beula Reynolds, Edith Melchoir and Hilda Darbyshire.

As many members as possible participated in the sessions at the C.N.E. unfortunately illness of key members prevented participation in the Galt Craft Fair this year.

Highlight of the year was a workshop led by Pat Hart of Georgian College, who gave an excellent presentation on Design.

We enjoyed our Summer Barbecue and Christmas get-togethers, and look forward to a busy and rewarding 1975-76 year with C.S.C.L.

Respectfully submitted

Hilda Darbyshire
Secretary.