

Helen Carter

Helen came to St. Thomas, with her parents, as a young child from Grande Prairie, Alberta. She attended St. Thomas Collegiate Institute and the University of Western Ontario, graduating in Secretarial Science.

Her teaching career began at Arthur Voaden Secondary School in 1962. She transferred to Parkside Collegiate when it opened in 1967 and remained there until her retirement in 1981.

She lives on a farm south of Lambeth where she helps her daughter care for several Arabian horses, cares for a large garden and spends much of the time in the summer riding -- (a lawn mower). She enjoys her seven grandchildren and loves to have them visit the farm.

Helen has been a volunteer at Ronald McDonald House in London for over eight years and has found it very interesting and rewarding. She is an active member of Littlewood United Church where she is U.C.W. President.

She served for a number of years on the telephone committee of the District. She was President of the Elgin Unit of District 8 in 1984. The October meeting of that year was the first one held at the Board Office. She was Vice-President of District 8 in 1986, so was very involved in the three way division which occurred. As a result of the reorganization, she became the first President of the new District 37 of Oxford-Elgin in 1987.