

HISTORY OF THE FRIENDLY NEIGHBORS CLUB

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The Friendly Neighbors Extension Homemaker's Club was organized in 1946 with the idea of a group of ladies becoming better acquainted while sharing activities and learning from lessons that would be available from time to time. Thus, the name Friendly Neighbors was decided upon.

The first meeting was held at the home of Reatha Ballenger, with Reatha Ballenger being elected the first president.

It was voted that 24 would be the limit of membership and cheerio pals were started with each member drawing a name of another member. Gifts would then be given for birthdays, anniversaries and at Christmas with the pals being revealed at Christmas time.

Each year on the club's anniversary an interesting trip is planned for a day which over the years has included meals, touring Miles Laboratory at Elkhart, the cut glass factory at Elwood and places of interest at Fort Wayne where the movie "The Sound of Music" was seen and at South Bend, the movie "Bridge Over the River Quai" was also seen.

Present officers are Frances Olson, president; Virginia Peterson, vice president; Berniece Gibson, secretary, and Jennie McGowen, treasurer. Other members are Elinore Manwaring, Golda Mollenhour, Mary Shirey, Alice Brugh and Maude Romine. Faye Bunner is an honorary member.

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