



MHA Women's History Month

2019

Ina B. Hall

Ina B Hall was born on March 4, 1905 in a two room log house in Armstrong Township Community on the Fort Berthold Reservation in McLean County, North Dakota. Her mother was Adeline Zilpha Powell Beauchamp and her father was Peter H. Beauchamp. She had three siblings Margaret, Peter and Sanford. On June 9, 1926 she married Edward Henry Hall or "Pen", their children are Adeline, Margie, Celeste, Edward (Albuquerque Ed), Donald, Beda, Beverly, Robert and Darrel.

The family lived in Lucky Mound in 1946 where she worked at Lucky Mound Community Day School for seven years. The school became a community center. Ina started and was the leader of a 4-H club. Ina attended Summer School during these years in Dickinson State Teachers College until she received her Standard Teaching Certificate the summer of 1953, later to Ft. Collins, CO for two Extension Service courses, and Dickinson for Safety Driving course.

Her work as a Home Agent began June 1, 1956. Her duties were home and family improvement and organizing 4-H and homemakers clubs. In eleven years of employment she and the extension Agent organized (13) 4-H clubs with 230 young members, 4 Homemakers clubs and has been very instrumental in the organizing of 4 Community Development Clubs throughout the Reservation and surrounding area. She went to each community with her sewing machines and other craft supplies to teach how to make kitchen towels, pot holders, bead on a loom, embroider, and use the sewing machine. She also taught the club member to raise different animals, put in gardens, how to can, and how to cook. She organized exhibits in the Minot State Fair with club members winning many prizes. She organized trips, 4-H Camps to Lake Metigoshe for club members.

Ina adopted Edwin Markam 's (A Creed) as her personal philosophy: "There is a destiny that makes us brothers; No man goes his way alone; All that we send into the lives of others will return again into our own. I care not what his temples or his creeds, One thing hold firm and fast; That into his fateful heap of days and deeds, The soul of Man is cast"

She was North Dakota Mother of the Year for 1966.

