

"A World to Share"

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At the next Triennial Conference to be held in Perth, Western Australia, October 1974, the Conference theme will be "A World to Share". We are aiming for maximum membership participation in the Study Sessions so we, the ACWW Triennial Committee, intend to treat each of the chosen headings in a different way thereby hoping to encourage as many people as possible to join in. We think it a good idea to give you advance notice of our tentative plans — members going to Perth will then have time to study various aspects of the topics and go prepared to contribute to the discussions, giving of their knowledge and experience and thus help us all to gain more out of the Study Sessions.

First of all delegates will meet together under one roof on Saturday, 12th October for an Introductory Meeting when programme arrangements will be outlined; there will be films or addresses on each subject heading. During the following week delegates will divide into groups to study each heading in turn as follows:

Home and Family

A panel of speakers from areas of different customs and cultures will speak briefly on:

The Changing Character of Family Life today as affected by modern pressures and tensions, e.g.

Pressures on both parents and children in a highly competitive working life.

Population Pressures.

Mass Media Pressures.

Health and Happiness

As happiness depends considerably on good health — both physical and mental — we are considering at the moment asking speakers from different parts of the world to tell us how certain vital health problems are being tackled. We are thinking of including the following:

Health Education.

Mental Stress.

The Causes and Treatment of Drug Addiction.

Food Hazards — contamination, additives, imbalance, scarcity.

Men and Nature

Here's a great chance for all to join in. Members will form into groups under leaders to discuss four aspects of this subject:

Affluence, waste, pollution, re-cycling.

Population Pressures.

Development, versus preservation of man's gifts.

What can I do?

Each leader will give her group's findings after which there will be a general discussion.

Communication and Understanding

Here we hope to have practical exercises in Communication and Understanding — another chance for all to join in.

A Musical Mime.

Talking to Neighbours — a topic will be given at the time.

The Use of Radio Time.

Communication and Understanding within ACWW and the world.

We shall continue to work on the programme in the coming months but the outline now given will be the basis of the Study Sessions. We shall welcome any comments and suggestions from you.

INFORMATION FOR CONTRIBUTORS

We welcome your newspaper clippings and good clear black and white photos.

We encourage information about programs that you have had at your meetings which might be helpful to other members. Branches are holding meetings that have imagination and originality — would you share them? What about an idea corner? Have you an idea?

Our only regret — it is difficult to use all the information which comes to the Editor's desk, and yet this is the best barometer we have of receiving information about your branch activities.

Please don't be annoyed if we can't always include your article or picture but don't stop sending material. We would ask that all names be printed, so there are no mistakes with names.

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