

## ROYAL WINTER FAIR Mrs. Wm. G. Miller

Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Diamond attended the annual Board of Directors' meeting and Luncheon followed by the Annual General meeting in the Coliseum, CNE grounds.

The Hon. Lorne C. Henderson officially opened the 1979 Fair, when 57 countries were represented.

**The Royal will be held November 13-22, 1980.**

Mrs. Miller will again be responsible for the rest area, while Mrs. Diamond and Mrs. Barbara Saari will represent FWIO at the Annual meetings.

## JUNIOR WOMEN'S INSTITUTE Mrs. Ruth McCurdy

Anyone wishing to form a Junior WI or seeking any information about JWI work, contact the Junior Board Directors or JWIO executive.

The Junior WI made a special effort in 1979 to become involved in programs and projects concerning IYC, dealing with children and their needs here and overseas.

Judges and social workers spoke on the New Family Law Reform and Child Abuse. A farm safety film 'For Whom the Siren Sounds' alerted all to take care at all times while working on the farm.

A local artist gave helpful tips on pen and ink drawings. A Big Sister representative spoke to a branch; sponsoring a foster child in other countries, were only a few activities involving Junior Women's Institute.

Entertaining and organizing skating parties, christmas parties, fashion shows helped involve JWI with the community.

JWI's were most generous in supporting community causes i.e. donations to a special nursery school for handicapped children; purchased needed equipment to help these special children. An adult rehabilitation centre building fund; Big Sisters Association; Hemophilia Society; Huntington's disease research; Erland Lee (Museum) Home. Many branch meeting programs revolved around plant exchanges and workshops, bus tours and one branch learned more about Easter traditions.

## ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

Mrs. McCurdy who is completing her final year on the FWIO Board announced the Fall Conference will be held in the Toronto Area on October 18-19.

## PROGRAM IDEAS

A 16 mm, 22 minute colored film on a look at the complete craft of 'Quilting' by Canada Packers Inc. is available free by writing to Modern Talking Pictures Ltd., 143 Sparks Ave., Willowdale, M2H 2S5 — telephone 416-498-7290.

## PROVINCIAL BOARD DIRECTIVE

**Decision was made to undertake a program of prevention and rehabilitation for 1981, The Year of the Handicapped. All Branches are encouraged to plan a program for October 1981, pertaining to their own specific project for the Year of the Handicapped.**

## HALL OF FAME Mrs. Earl Morden

On June 1, at the Ontario Agricultural Museum, Milton there will be an unveiling of portraits of nine deceased persons who have contributed to the growth of Agriculture and improved the quality and richness of life in Ontario up to the 1920's.

Mrs. Morden announced that the likeness of Dr. Ethel Chapman was among the group to be honored. Dr. Chapman's name was proposed by FWIO in 1979 and the Women's Institute members across the province will be pleased to know the late Dr. Chapman was accepted by the Hall of Fame Association.

The Board of Directors of FWIO have proposed a second name, that of Adelaide Hoodless to be presented to the Hall of Fame Association for recognition next year. This is only a proposal and is dependent upon the selection committee.

## CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

After much study and review of submissions, the Constitution Committee presented suggested revisions for consideration by the Board Directors. The Committee will continue their review and accept further proposals or suggestions up until August 1. A further presentation will be made at the Annual meeting for consideration by the Board.

## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE HALL Mrs. Jeanetta Van Sickle

After the official opening on May 12, the Agricultural Museum will be open seven days a week from 10.00 am — 5.00 pm, until Thanksgiving.

Artist, Dorothy Clark McClure's pictures will be on display until July 2. She is currently completing sketches of buildings at the Museum, to be made into hasti-notes.

Further plans for the museum include, a reference library and storage facilities. For WI's desiring storage space for WI minute books, Tweedsmuir Histories and other valuable records, contact the Ontario Agricultural Museum, Box 38, Milton, to make arrangements for temporary or permanent loan.

The WI Hall Committee will arrange displays and a quilt will be available for visitors to quilt on during this summer.

**WROXETER WI, HURON EAST DISTRICT** celebrated sixty years with a variety program being held in the Community Hall.

Approximately 175 members and guests from the District attended, including seven past presidents.

Mrs. Mac Allen, a past Branch and District President gave a history of the Branch, noting the changes and including memories of good times shared while working together.

The anniversary cake was cut by two long-time members Mrs. H. Wylie and Mrs. M. Adams.

Dancing, cards and a smorgasborg concluded the evening.

**MCINTYRE WI, THUNDER BAY NORTH DISTRICT** had a follow-up to a roll call of special recipes. "Why buy, just try and Make." The President, Mrs. Christine Jacobson gave out recipe cards to the members who had answered the roll call the previous meeting.