Meet new FWIO officers

Treasurer Elaine Williams

Elaine Williams has been a member of Camden East Women's Institute for about 25 years, but her busy schedule keeps her involved in many other activities too.

A mother of four, Elaine has been the president of her United Church Women group twice and is currently serving a five-year term as elder in the church too. For the last 20 years she has been the organist at two churches and is vice-president of the boosters of the high school band which her children are involved in. Elaine works part-time as a secretary at an elementary school and also finds time for her hobbies which include knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, and collect-

ing spoons, coins and stamps.

Elaine lived in Enterprise before moving to Camden East with her husband, Duane, a maintenance foreman with Dupont in Kingston.

There aren't many positions in Women's Institute which Elaine hasn't held. In her branch she has held almost every job and she has served as district president, secretary-treasurer and PRO as well as area secretary-treasurer and as two area conveners. Elaine describes her new job as FWIO treasurer as challenging and expects it will be the climax of her WI involvement, although she would like to tackle the job of area president some time in the future.



PRO Rena Cunningham

Being the public relations officer for FWIO is a whole new experience for Rena Cunningham of Consecon. "I wanted to try something new. I think this job will be the high point of my WI career," explained Rena.

After being district secretary for six years, Rena felt like moving on and although she hasn't always been interested in public relations, she finds her new job gives her lots of background into Women's Institutes at the provincial level and dealing with the media.

Rena and her husband, a secondary school teacher, operate a small Hereford farm. They were both raised on farms and are the proud parents of six children. Rena is currently the vice-president of the Consecon Branch (Prince Edward County) and has served as president and PRO and in many other capacities during her 20 year membership.

Before the Cunninghams started a family, Rena was an elementary school teacher and she found her teaching skills very useful during her years as a 4-H leader. She learned a lot leading 4-H and particularly enjoyed the exhibits and demonstrations prepared by the members.

Rena enjoys quilting, needlepoint and crocheting and she and her husband spend time travelling to visit their children who are working all over Canada.

