

information you should know

Conference opportunity

Do you have a concern about something in your community about which you would like to take some positive action? Would you like to improve your organizational, communication, and leadership skills? Would you like a better understanding of how to make groups work more effectively? If you answered yes to all of these questions, then you are the person we are looking for at the Geneva Park Conference Centre near Orillia from Nov. 16-18, 1984. There is space for 200 participants. This is a working conference — a learn to do by doing — experience.

Advance registration is required and participants will be asked to complete a questionnaire prior to the conference.

The conference steering committee includes representatives from the Women's Institute, Concerned Farm Women, Women for the Survival/Support of Agriculture, Women Today, and Union Culturelle Franco Ontarienne. Funding has been made available by the Secretary of State.

If you would like further information about this conference, contact — Betty Stephens, R.R. 5, Owen Sound N4E 5N7, or phone (519) 371-4350.

Readership survey

Thank you to all those branch secretaries who submitted names and addresses for a readership survey last year. The survey is still in the works, but currently on hold while a university student is recruited to analyze the results of the questionnaires. As soon as a student is in place, the survey will be mailed out and your responses will be sought.

Scholarships

Each fall, four provincial scholarships worth \$200 each are presented to deserving 4-H members in Ontario by the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario. They are the Dorothy Fitcher, Florence P. Eadie, Sixtieth Anniversary, Hoodless-Lee scholarships. Any 4-H members planning to further their formal education

through courses beyond high school are eligible to apply. It does not have to be a degree program, and you do not have to be in your first year of post secondary education. Application forms are available from the Rural Organization Specialists at your local Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food office.

MacDonald Entrance awards of \$200 are available to students at the University of Guelph who have successfully completed their first semester at the College of Family and

Consumer Studies. Application forms are available at the Awards Office, University Centre, third floor at the University of Guelph. There will be 25 awards available in 1984. It is not necessary to have been involved in 4-H to qualify for this award.

Important

Please remember to include postal codes when writing to the FWIO office in Guelph or when you're sending in addresses.

Supplies

FWIO Badge (Oval)	\$6.00
FWIO Junior Badge	6.00
Branch Life Member's Badge	12.00
Attaching District Bar to Life Member's Pin	13.00
Life Membership Certificate	25.00
Certificate of Merit	10.00
Branch and District Minute Books	15.00
Mary Stewart Collect50
ACWW Badge (green)	4.00
Ontario Women's Institute Story	3.00
Coffee Spoon (silverplate) with WI crest	5.00
Embossed blue and gold gummed crests, (3/4 x 1 inch) roll of 100	2.00
Pattern of WI crest in 3 sizes (6 x 9 inches) (12 x 18 inches) set of three	2.00
(16 x 27 inches)	
WI crest folded hasti-notes with envelopes (each)20
Portrait of Mrs. Hoodless (5 x 7)	1.50
(7 x 9)	2.00
Portrait of Erland Lee (5 x 7)	1.50
Set of three prints (Mrs. Hoodless, Lord and Lady Tweedsmuir, The Forward)60
FWIO Brochure20
(for 100)	15.00

It would be appreciated if the above items are ordered through Area PROs, to be picked up at fall area conventions. All items are sold at cost to members, sales tax exempt. Please make your cheques payable to the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario.

Life memberships and certificates of merit application forms are available on request from the FWIO office, Guelph Agriculture Centre, P.O. Box 1030, Guelph, Ont. N1H 6N1. When completed application forms and accompanying cheques are received at the office, **please allow six weeks for delivery.**

WI cuts in three sizes (3/4 x 1 inch, 1-1/2 x 3-1/2 inches and 2-1/4 x 4 inches) are available on loan from the FWIO office on payment of postal charges.

The FWIC Badge can be obtained by writing to FWIC office, 46 Elgin St., Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5K5.