

# WI's On

## Garnet, Haldimand West

The November and December meetings of this branch provided some interesting information. A talk on glass — how it is made and comparisons between yesterday's and today's glass — was given at the November meeting. In December, members continued their lobbying for a safer local railway crossing by reading letters from local VIPs and discussing a petition. At the same meeting members learned about Ontario's official tree, the White Pine.

## McIntyre, Thunder Bay North

A chiropractor was guest speaker at McIntyre's November meeting. He discussed stress and how to deal with it.

## Carleton West

This district sponsored a musical followed by a tea in early December. Students from Venta Preparatory School provided the entertainment and all proceeds from the tea were given to the school to purchase musical instruments.

## Beechwood, Kent East

Margaret MacDougall, a life member of Beechwood and Kent East and also past president of the Southwestern Area, was honored by local dignitaries recently for her community work. She received a certificate of appreciation and several other items from Howard Township.

## Greenwood, Renfrew North

A warm welcome to this new W.I. branch. Boasting 19 charter members, the branch was formed in January. President is Elaine Hennessy.

## Mossley, Middlesex East

Members of Mossley W.I. met with 4-H members and former 4-H members to honour the work of Mrs. Don McBay who retired as a 4-H leader in December. Mrs. McBay led 52 clubs.

## Pittsburgh, Kingston

A woman auctioneer was the guest speaker at a recent meeting of Pittsburgh. The woman is the only female from Canada to attend auctioneering school in the U.S. and is only one of four women auctioneers in Canada. After the talk, the guest speaker auctioned off crafts, baked goods and garden produce and the proceeds went to the Water for All project.

## Halton

As a bicentennial activity, Halton District organized an old time dance

in November. Many people attended and the press release on the activity reads, "Like any good dance in those days no tables were provided but only chairs around the hall. Guests from 10 years to 80 years-old constantly changed seating and visited with new friends throughout the night."

## Prescott

Highlighting the 36th annual meeting of Prescott District W.I. was the presentation of a cheque to the new Hawkesbury and District General Hospital, the initial donation of a pledge to finance a room there.



*This year's Macdonald Award winners are pictured here. From left to right are: Joyce Canning, Rural Organizations and Services Branch; Laura O'Brien; Wanda Elmhirst; Lynne Holley; and Charlotte Johnson, FWIO President.*



*Wellburn WI had over 100 people at their Bicentennial Tweedsmuir History Book Display and Tea in November. Pictured from left to right are Evelyn Haves, Margaret Facey, Annie Facey, Mabel Hardie and Roberta Atwell.*