

Thanks for a job well done!

Thanks to Ravenswood Women's Institute, the annual quilt show and sale at the Lambton Heritage Museum is "berry" successful!

Since 1982, the Ravenswood members have been responsible for quilting demonstrations and the operation of the tearoom. In the tearoom, the women offer sandwiches and drinks, but it's the strawberry tarts that have made them famous far and wide.

Attendance at the show and sale runs between four and five thousand over nine days. Museum secretary Gwen Watson says without the help of Ravenswood Women's Institute, serving over 2000 strawberry tarts, and demonstrating to the visitors, this event would not have become as popular as it is today. "The Lambton Heritage Museum would like to extend a large thank you to the members of the Ravenswood Women's Institute for a job well done," she adds.



Members of the Ravenswood Women's Institute in action in the Quilt Show Tearoom. (The famous strawberry tarts are in the foreground.)

Keep the kids warm in Norfolk

Here's a *heartwarming* story from Norfolk.

At their fall 1984 rally, WI members were told of the need for layettes and quilts for children of local low income families. No sooner were the words spoken than the women organized and started work.

One year later, 40 quilts and many layettes were given to Family and Children Services of Norfolk to distribute to the children.

The Keep the Kids Warm program was a huge success. So successful in fact, the work is continuing this year. Isabel Powell and Carol Lacey helped to organize the program. Isabel said not only did the program help the children, but it also boosted the morale of the women.

This kind of work wasn't new to Norfolk WI members. For many years they have been sending handi-

work overseas, through the Unitarian Services Committee to help children throughout the world. Because of

high postage costs, the women decided to concentrate on helping local people.



Purple Grove Women's Institute enjoyed entering this float in the Ripley Reunion Parade last summer.