What's happening...

CONCERNED FARM WOMEN

A group of students from Toronto's Northern Secondary School visited Wiarton in November, for a taste of farm life. CFW members Jennifer Pruder and Joy Ward organized the two-day event. The students toured a feeder sale yard, several different farms, a farm equipment dealer, and the Bruce County Board of Education's Outdoor Education Centre. One of the students' teachers said she had never learned so much in so short a time!

CFW are involved with Bruce County, the Royal Bank, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food and several other groups in the organization of a day designed to teach people how to effectively provide compassionate help to farm families in distress.

WOMEN FOR THE SUPPORT OF AGRICULTURE (SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO)

New Frontiers for Farm Women '87 will be held on Thursday, March 26 at the Delaware Community Centre.

Registration will start at 9 a.m. The morning session will be a panel discussion on Rural Child Care — Necessity or Nonsense. In the afternoon, the session will cover Action for Positive Change. Two guest speakers will talk about farming in the future and lobbying. If you would like more information on this day, or are interested in attending, please contact one of the following women.

Donna Lunn, R.R. #1, Belmont, NOL 1B0 644-0316

Loretta Smith, R.R. #2, Thorndale, N0M 2P0 461-1371

Elaine Ball, R.R. #2, Thamesford, NOM 2M0 285-2846

Sharon Weitzel, R.R. #2, Tavistock, N0B 2B0 273-0918

SEYMOUR EAST WI, NORTHUMBERLAND EAST

Tweedsmuir Curator Doris Potts received a Volunteer Service Award from Minister of Citizenship and Culture Lilly Munroe last year. Mrs. Potts is a teacher and is also active in her local church, the Campbellford Horticultural Society and the heritage society.

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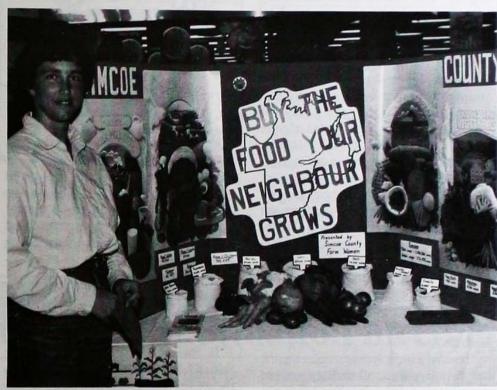
In October, Lucknow JWI sponsored a stress workshop, in cooperation with the Bruce County Health Unit. The day was open to the public and offered ways to identify and deal with stress.

In December, the branch entertained local senior citizens with a play, readings, songs and dancing by

members' children. Also, Christmas baskets were provided for local needy families.

CENTRE VESPRA WI, SIMCOE CENTRE

Members of this branch designed, made and autographed a friendship quilt for member Dina Hoenselaar whose home suffered extensive damage by the tornado in 1985.



Simcoe County Farm Women participated in the Agri-Food Week Mall Display at the Georgian Mall in Barrie. Many different commodity groups and rural organizations had displays. Pictured above is Bonney Smith with the Simcoe County Farm Women's display.

Congratulations...

Halton District celebrated its 85th anniversary in October by organizing a candlelighting ceremony and hosting a luncheon, fashion show and euchre games. Salem-Nilestown, Middlesex East District marked its 75th anniversary last June and Walton WI, Huron East marked its 30th year.

Several WI branch life memberships were awarded during the past few months. Spring Bay, Manitoulin West District presented Margaret Gilpin, Mae Tracy and Blanche Sterling with life memberships in June. Mrs. Claude McCrady, Mrs. Gerald Cross, Mrs. Robert Allen and Mrs. Ford Haig of Fairgrove WI, Leeds East received their life memberships in June also. Myrtle Wright of Salem-Nilestown WI, became a branch life member last summer.

While it was celebrating its anniversary last summer, Salem-Nilestown also presented certificates of merit to Bess Woods, Mrs. John Yeoman and Mrs. Frances Williamson on behalf of her mother, the late Jennet M. Dodds.