

## Student drug use dropping

The Addiction Research Foundation of Ontario recently released the results of its biennial survey of alcohol and other drug use among students throughout the province. A total of 4,154 students in grades 7, 9, 11 and 13 completed an anonymous questionnaire during the early months of 1985.

The researchers found that drug use (both licit and illicit) had been in overall decline since 1981.

For a copy of the report, or for more information, you may contact Dr. Reginald Smart, Addiction Research Foundation, 33 Russell St., Toronto, Ontario, M5S 2S1.

## Skills training from colleges, unions...

A new program, designed to improve the skills of people who are 25 and older and who are eligible to work in Ontario, is now available from the Ministry of Skills Development. Called Basic Skills for a Better Future, the program is free and offered at colleges of applied arts and technology, through unions and employer associations. The program is divided into three parts: training readiness, academic upgrading and job search. You can

take as many parts as you need. If you, or someone you know, wants to start the Ontario Basic Skills program, get in touch with the Ontario Basic Skills Office at your local college of applied arts and technology. Or call the toll free training hotline 1-800-387-5656.

## Correction

The Canadian Standards Association (CSA) was incorrectly called the Consumers' Standards Association in the January, February, March issue of *Home & Country*. Please make note of this correction.

## Butler update

The Butler Project, sponsored by the Oxford North and South Women's Institutes was incorrectly referred to as the Ross Butler Agriculture in the Classroom project in the January, February, March issue of *Home & Country*. Please note this correction. Also, The Butler Project video is available in VHS and Beta by contacting Donna Kitmer, R.R. #3, Lakeside, N0M 2G0.

The Butler Project original artwork will be featured at the Woodstock Art Gallery Sept. 10 to Oct. 11 and the National Museum in Ottawa for the month of December.

## FWIO elections

The following officers of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO) will be elected in November: president elect, public relations officer, and program convener. Guidelines for these positions and also the application form for president elect are available from your board director and area presidents, secretaries and public relations officers, as well as the FWIO office in Guelph.

## Essay for use

Mrs. Aureen Richardson has written a nine-page essay called Reflections of My Mother — An Institute Member. She is looking for ways and/or ideas on how the essay can be used. Please contact her at R.R. #5, Warkworth, K0K 3K0.

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## Communications...

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is a communications tool we will probably use again. By strengthening the weak links, we are a more effective organization. We will do our part, so help us to help you keep the Women's Institute **going forward**.

**Margaret Munro**  
FWIO President

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## What is ACWW?...

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A **Corresponding Society** is any group of women not eligible for either of the above categories. It may send two non-voting representatives to the conference. Fee is 10 pounds sterling.

**Contributing Members** are individuals who pay an annual subscription of five pounds sterling. Life memberships are also available.

All memberships include a quarterly newsletter, the *Country Woman*.

If, as a rural women's group or as an individual member, you are interested in learning more about this

organization or becoming a member, write to the office in London, England. The address is on the inside front cover of this magazine.

The current president, Ellen MacLean, is a Women's Institute member from Nova Scotia. She has received the Order of Canada and also an honorary doctorate from St. Frances Xavier University in recognition for her work in the rural community. In November, she will be inducted into the Canadian Agricultural Hall of Fame at a special ceremony in Toronto. As Canadians, we should be very proud to have this lady representing us at the international level.

