



*Halton Women's Institute members welcomed 35 English visitors to Halton at the Ontario Agricultural Museum in Milton, in September. It was a welcomed midway break on their Ontario tour for the English group. It was the first stop giving them a chance to stay with Canadian families in their homes, rather than a hotel. At the museum, Halton WI celebrated the 90th anniversary of WI with a reception, banquet and show of fashions through the past 90 years.*

## What's happening...

shire, England-Burford-Fulbrook WI. The women have found this relationship educational as well as interesting.

At the moment, a study is being conducted on the declining enrollment of students at Burford District High School. The branch is supporting the Home and School Association in its goal of finding a solution to the problem.

### **WOMEN FOR THE SURVIVAL OF AGRICULTURE**

The WSA recently sponsored the showing of two films in Winchester which the group highly recommends to other groups. The films are *Prairie Women* and *With These Hands*. Each is a strong film which stands on its own, but showing them together provides some interesting insights and comparisons, the WSA newsletter suggests. The struggles and issues of Canadian farm women in the early 1900's described in *Prairie Women* are echoed in *With These Hands*, which depicts the lives of three African farm women in the 1980's. *Prairie Women*

is available through the National Film Board and *With These Hands* is available through Oxfam-Canada Action for Africa, see page 10.

### **THORNTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

Members of Thornton WI were treated to a skit by the Thornton 4-H Club at a meeting last spring. The skit, called *The Dating Zone*, demonstrated what the members had learned during the *Etiquette for the Eighties* 4-H project.

### **NORFOLK WOMEN'S INSTITUTES**

FWIO Board Director Myrtle Stone and Rural Organization Specialist Bev Brown Elfving were the leaders of a program co-ordinator's workshop in June. Participants got a "hands-on" approach to program planning by learning how to gather ideas for programs, how to handle a guest speaker and why there is value in community networking. Attendees were asked to bring various resources

to the workshop, as well as their own lunch!

### **HALDIMAND JUNIOR WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

Haldimand JWI welcomed at least two new members after issuing a press release about their meetings for the upcoming year. Here's a few of the topics; an update from the medical officer of health on AIDS, a visit to a chiropractor, a tour of the Cayuga Courthouse, and a speaker on osteoporosis.

### **GARNET WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

At a meeting to discuss world affairs, members of Garnet WI reviewed the beginnings of UNICEF and its current work via the United Nations. As well, information on Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) was presented and the roll call was answered by naming a country where there are branches of ACWW.

At another meeting, members went on an imaginary tour of Ontario WI twin, Prince Edward Island.