# What's happening...

### Bruce Centre Women's Institute

The 19th annual craft and hobby fair was held at the Southampton Coliseum in July. A special supplement to local newspapers in the area not only advertised the fair, but also promoted local Women's Institute activities and gave information on recycling.

## Princeton-Woodbury Women's Institute

This branch held a flea market and craft show in June which they called a Wing Ding. Crafts, entertainment, food, displays and activities for children made for a successful community day.

#### Solina Women's Institute

Solina WI sponsored an anti-littering poster contest in local schools during June. Over 150 children of primary and junior classes took part. Each child received a certificate of recognition, and winners received books. The posters were judged on their message and art work.

#### Bethel Women's Institute

Members of this branch recently felt lucky to receive an embroidered tablecloth from disbanded Alliston WI. The tablecloth originally came from a WI in England who had received support from the Alliston group during World War II.

#### Lambton North Women's Institute

Environmental issues have been widely discussed at branch meetings of Lambton North in the past year. Several actions have been taken by members.

Members have prepared and given talks on the subject, and also heard various presentations on recycling.

Some branches and individual members have become members of the Warwick-Watford Landfill Committee to help in the fight against expansion.

Most branches have written letters of concern to local councils, county council, provincial and federal government representatives. Letters have also been written to manufacturers concerning overpackaging and the use of biodegradable ingredients in disposable products.

Aberarder WI has passed several bylaws as a result of their concern for the environment. The members will not use styrofoam cups at meetings — each person will lug-a-mug. Also each member will donate a mug to be used at community card parties.

## **Dundas District Women's Institute**

To help celebrate the centennial of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food in 1988, this district put together a slide show with cassette commentary called Discover Dundas. The set has been widely used over the last year and is available to any group for borrowing.

# Essex District Women's Institute

Each branch in this district was given a quilt block to design to be put together to display at the International Plowing continued on page 15



The Aberdeen Junior Women's Institute recently presented two wheelchairs to two seniors' homes in Durham. From left to right are Dawna Miller and Laurel Glencross of the JWI, Joy Houston representing the homes, and Grace Chofield, seated.



Pictured above are the FWIO Volunteer Planning Committee for the Ontario Agricultural Museum. From left to right they are; Jane Croft, Doris Wheelihan, Joan Law, and Donelda Switzer. Many WI members volunteer on event weekends and special days during the museum's season.



Copetown WI members Janette Jardine, left, and Shirley Cranston made a presentation to Grade 6 pupils at the local school recently. Children learned about WI, the organization that has sponsored their essay contest for the last 29 years.