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Displays available

There are two 10-foot FWIO displays available through Exhibit Services of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food. One has been in circulation for a couple of years and includes information on FWIO and the second is called Women and the Environment--It's in Our Hands.

To order, call Exhibit Services at 519-767-3618. It is wise to call well in advance of the date you need the display. Borrowers are responsible for covering the cost of returning the exhibit.

Christmas at the Lee



Reserve Dec. 5 for an old time Christmas celebration at the Erland Lee (Museum) Home in Stoney Creek. The home will be decorated with traditional Victorian Christmas garlands and boughs. Enjoy apple cider and ginger cookies around the Christmas tree!

Program resources

FWIO Program co-ordinator Hilde Morden has a large file of program material available to members. If you would like help or suggestions, please contact Mrs. Morden at R.R. #1, Rodney, N0L 2C0.

Hall sale initiates two funds

Scotch Block WI, Halton District, recently sold their hall and donated \$1,000 to FWIO to start a fund to purchase a lap top computer. Also, the branch donated \$1,000 to the Erland Lee (Museum) Home to start a fund to purchase a display cabinet to house all mementoes given to FWIO over the years. Contributions to either fund will be gratefully received.

Lost Tweedsmuir

The Tweedsmuir History Books from three disbanded branches have been lost. They are: Bainlark WI, Rainy River District; Little Rapids, Algoma East District; and South Cayuga, Haldimand East District.

If anyone knows the whereabouts of these books, please contact Geraldine Campbell, FWIO Public Relations Officer, P.O. Box 103, Ridgeway, N0P 2C0. (Mrs. Campbell is compiling a list of the locations of Tweedsmuir Histories of disbanded branches.)

FWIC convention

Victoria, British Columbia is the location for the 1991 Federated Women's Institutes of Canada Triennium Convention. Dates are July 11 to 17. For information on registering, contact the FWIO office at P.O. Box 1030, Guelph, N1H 6N1.

Minute books available



Although FWIO no longer carries branch minute books, the FWIO office still has a good supply of district minute books. These are \$15. Contact the office to order.

Funding for Seminars/Workshops

The Canada/Ontario Agricultural Employment Committee (COAEC) is responsible for the management of the Federal/Provincial Agricultural Employment Agreement. One mandate of the agreement is to assist in the funding of seminars/workshops directed at agricultural labour management.

The seminars/workshops should take place during 1990 and the first part of 1991 to qualify for funding. Other criteria are listed in detail and available from COAEC.

If your organization is interested in submitting a seminar/workshop proposal for funding to COAEC, write to Bev Rawn, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Guelph Agriculture Centre, P.O. Box 1030, Guelph, N1H 6N1. or call 519-767-3519 for more information.

Consumer trends

Agriculture Canada recently released the results of a consumer preference survey in a document called Consumer Food Trends for the 1990's.

The report says the variety of consumer preferences, combined with slow population growth, an older population, concern for personal safety and the environment, as well as advancements in agri-food research will radically change the face of the agri-food industry by the year 2000.

Progress report on Libbylu Allen

Libbylu Allen (a past recipient of the FWIO International Scholarship) has been furthering her studies in the U.S.A. She is now back working with the Basic Schools for the Jamaican Federation of Women.

All the supplies sent by FWIO members and branches have been distributed to the 78 schools in Libbylu's jurisdiction. Of course, more supplies are always welcome. School supplies, such as pencils, chalk, and crayons are needed, as

well as picture, story and colouring books. Plastic counters and educational toys are useful for teachers and children.

The address for the supplies is Jamaican Federation of Women, Lady Allan Building, 74 Arnold Road, Kingston 5, Jamaica.

Editor's note. Thanks to Marcie Johnston, Listowel for contacting Carol Diaz of the Jamaican Federation of Women.