## "Quilts, Quills and Bears"

By Arthena Hecker

Exciting news! The "Quilts, Quills and Bears" Quilt Show will be held September 16 to 18, 2005, at the International Centre on Airport Road in Mississauga. We have Hall I booked for this event and now we need your help to fill it with quilts.

A letter from Christine Reaburn, along with an Intention to Enter Form, has been sent to all the Branches, Districts and Areas. An

individual, Branch, District or Area may submit a quilt or quilts either for show or for sale. You determine the price you want for your quilt. There will be a 10 % hanging fee. There is also a \$350 prize for the Viewer's Choice Award.

The Quilt Show Committee is in the process of finding vendors and workshop leaders. We are looking at having 25 to 30 vendors selling fabric, patterns, supplies and anything related to quilting. As the date gets closer, look for a listing of the workshops and/or demonstrations that will be offered.

Cochrane Timiskaming Area has been busy receiving and judging entries for the Quilt Block Competition. They are now in the process of putting the quilts together. Enough blocks were sent in to make three double/queen sized and three single/twin sized quilts, with one block for a cushion.

The quilt block winners are shown in the photo from left to right:

First Place – Doreen Brethour Uxbridge

Second Place – Paula Johnson Georgetown

Third Place - Cassie Lovie

Parkhill

Honourable Mention – Marlene Monkman, Dobbinton

The judges said they had a difficult time choosing and although there was no

prize for Honourable Mention, they felt



that Marlene deserved some recognition. Congratulations to the winners! Many, many thanks are extended to all of you who entered this competition. Three of the quilts will be raffled and the remainder will be sold at the Quilt Show.

The 93 entries to the Children's Storybook Competition have been judged. Again, we extend our thanks to each of you who entered. The book launch will take place at the Quilt Show. The Storybook Competition winner is: Loreen Ambler Reid's Corners WI, Bruce County.

There is one year before the Quilt Show takes place. Start thinking about entering a quilt for the show or sale and start planning to attend. There are 5,000 free parking spots at the International Centre, so get a bus together or talk to your family and friends. But do plan to come to this premier show put on by your Women's Institute.

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## Rosedene WI Lends a Helping Hand

Rosedene Women's Institute President Brenda Vaughan presented a cheque for \$100 to Chris Calaguiro of the Pelham Panthers Basketball Team. Pictured with them are three members of the team Natasha Southwood, Evan Fiorella and Steve Vaughan.

These young people enjoy the chance to play the same sports as other kids; the only difference is that they need help getting around. That help is a wheelchair for some of them and someone to push it. They use special basketballs, which are easier to grip. Until now, Mr. Calaguiro has paid for these balls out of his own pocket.



Monetary donations are gratefully accepted, as are wheelchairs that are no longer needed. Anyone wishing to find out more about this program for young people can contact the Pelham Panthers Basketball Association at 905-892-0024, or write to Tammy Soos at 802 Webber Rd., Fenwick ON LOS 1C0.

Submitted by Virginia Blackman, PRO, Rosedene WI, Lincoln, Hamilton Area.

## 2004 Christmas Ornament

"Twelve Drummers Drumming"

The twelfth and final in the Christmas Tree Ornament Series, "Twelve Drummers Drumming," is now available from the FWIO Provincial Office. Each ornament is \$5, plus shipping and taxes. Refer to the FWIO Supply Order Form for shipping charges. If picked up from the Office, shipping is not applicable.