

Selwyn WI Presents Friend of WI Award

Lakefield pharmacist Nick Lalani, accompanied by his wife Mary (left), happily accepted the Friend of Women's Institute Award from this Branch for the many ways he has assisted the community and its residents. Branch President Marg Killeen (right) presented the Award at a luncheon in Lalani's honour, noting the many ways he has been helpful to the group.

Nick was applauded for providing seminars, workshops or speakers on a variety of health related topics, including the use of medicinal herbs in conjunction with prescription medications, the importance of vitamins to well-being, diet for diabetics and osteoporosis. As well, the couple was instrumental in helping to establish the Medical Day Clinic in Lakefield and Nick is known



Photo courtesy of Neil Boughen, Lakefield Herald

for his past advice on the content of the well-known *Environmentally Friendly Household Hints* book.

Submitted by Joan Edwards, PRO, Selwyn WI, Peterborough, Trent Valley Area.

Erland Lee Award of Appreciation

The Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (FWIC) presents the Erland Lee Award to a man resident in the Province of Ontario who has:

- knowledge of the WI and its work
- given freely of his talents to the WI
- been instrumental in raising the profile of the WI outside the organization
- promoted the aims and objectives of the WI in an advisory position and through expertise in his field of work
- encouraged the progress of the WI as a modern organization for women.

Nominations can come from the Branch, District/County, Area, provincial or national level. Each province is entitled to one nomination per year, except for Ontario, which is entitled to two due to the size of its membership.

Specifics of the nominee's contribution to the Women's Institute must be included with the nomination letter and forwarded to the FWIO Provincial Office for approval by March 1 of each year.

A cheque for \$15, payable to FWIC, must accompany the nomination. The

cost is the responsibility of the nominating body.

FWIC will supply an Erland Lee Award Certificate, but presentations are the responsibility of the nominator.

For more information about the Erland Lee Award, contact the FWIO Provincial Office at 519-836-3078.



"Buy a Shingle, Buy a Bundle!"

Thanks to this toe-tapping jingle created by the Provincial Board in the summer of 2002 and the generosity of Women's Institute members across the province, the Restore the Roof Project has been completed at the Erland Lee Museum Home. About thirty months ago the fundraising began to raise the necessary money to replace the cedar shingles on the 1870s home. By the end of March 2004, the funds had been raised and the contractor selected. Once the weather cooperated, the new cedar roof with its copper flashing was installed.

Submitted by Michael Gemmell, Curator, Erland Lee Museum Home.