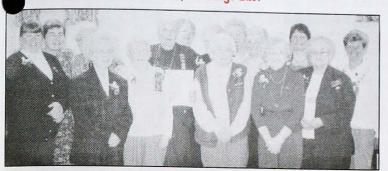
# 100th Anniversary Reports

# √Melrose WI, Hastings East



Formed in March 1902, the Melrose WI remains a vital group of 18. Members, past and present, along with their families, friends and representatives from other nearby Branches, Hastings East District and the Provincial Board attended a potluck supper in celebration of their 100th anniversary. Eastern Regional Board Director Evelyn Peck presented the Branch with a certificate and each member with a 100 Year Pin. A brief history of the Branch was presented and all 14 Tweedsmuir History Books were on display.

Submitted by Nancy Pordham, Secretary, Melrose WI, Hastings East

## Margaret Riley (left) and Shirley Mereheuse (right). While they have a small membership, they say they are large in thought.

## Thornhill WI. York East

Members of the Thornhill Women's Institute celebrated their 100th anniversary as part of the York East District Annual last May, which they hosted. Standing from left to right is Pat MacDonald, Violet Drew and Stella Wilkins. Seated is

Submitted by Violet Drew, PRO, Thornhill WI, York East

## Kirkton WI, Perth South



Sixty members and guests enjoyed a bountiful beef dinner at the Kirkton-Woodham Community Centre in celebration of the Branch's 100th anniversary. Member Eleanor Williams outlined the Branch's accomplishments over the past 25 years, compiling them in a booklet for everyone to take home. Tweedsmuir Books and much more memorabilia were on display. FWIO President Dianne Orr presented Kirkton members with a special 100 Year Pin Perth South District's 100th anniversary celebration.

Submitted by Orrie Hartwick, Secretary, Kirkton WI, Perth South.

#### **Huron East District WI**

"In Friendships Circle Bright" was the theme of the 100th anniversary celebration of Huron East District. The "Hats On" special celebration was included as part of the District Annual held at the Ethel Community Hall. District Past Presidents (1944-1945) Bernice Sparling (left) and Jean Mathers (right) is shown cutting the cake with current President Margaret McMahon.



Provincial Advisory Councillor (PAC) Leone Foerter presented a special 100th Anniversary Certificate from FWIO. Submitted by Leone Foerter, PAC, Subdivision 10.

### ~Gorrie WI, Huron East



Gorrie Women's Institute members met at the Community Hall in Gorrie to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Branch. Provincial Advisory Councillor (PAC) Leone Foerter (far right) presented the Branch with a certificate of congratulations from FWIO and each member with a 100 Year Pin. From left to right are members Erland Thorton, Jean Wilson, Dorothy Elschner, Donalda Graham, Eleanore Grainger, Janet Hogg and Marion Mundell.

Submitted by Leone Foerter, PAC, Subdivision 10.

# Thornton WI, Simcoe-Kempenfeldt



This group held an Anniversary Tea at the Trinity United Church in Thornton in celebration of 100 years as a Branch. Several local dignitaries brought greetings and congratulations. The festivities included a "Parade Through the Decades," with President Ann Pepin reading the minutes from one selected meeting from each decade. Each reading was followed by a song and a brief skit performed by current Thornton members, shown in various costumes in the photograph. The program concluded with the singing of an anniversary song written by member Florence Banting. Submitted by Shirley Gibson, Thornton WI.