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hey came in droves, despite it being one of the coldest days this [past] winter, carting their most prized possessions with them - each hoping they had the jewel in the crown. It was like a rural version of the Antique Road Show, when Chisholm Women's Institute hosted an Antique Appraisal Day. So successful was this WI fundraising event that featured antique appraiser Dian Robinson had to employ the

help of her husband, Tom, just to move the appraisal process along later in the day.

One local woman got the thrill most everyone was hoping for when she learned that the antique chandelier in her home is worth \$35,000. Each three dollar fee that was paid to have an item appraised was



What's it worth? The appraiser goes over one gentleman's family treasures.

donated to the Chisholm Heritage Committee to help defray costs of Our Chisholm Story, Volume III, 1974-2000.

Extracted from an article by Nancy Barner in the Almaguin News Marketplace, February 2001.

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# Sisterhood Women

By Marion Egerter

adge Watt would have been thrilled! Exactly 65 years after this charismatic first President and founder of the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) stood at the center of the Peace Bridge in 1936 to dedicate a plaque celebrating the sisterhood of women of this continent, the ceremony was repeated at the Fort Erie end of this historic international bridge on June 19, 2001, at Alonzo Mather's Arch. American Alonzo Mather who championed the idea of the Peace Bridge to celebrate the friendship of two neighbours along the 3000-mile border would have been beaming to think that his Memorial Park would be the site for the newly mounted Peace Bridge plaque.

Taking part in this re-enactment were the modern-day counterparts of the original participants of 1936. ACWW President Hilda Stewart ably spoke Continued on page 5 ...

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