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Nothing is so embarrassing as watching someone do something that you said was impossible.

Sam Ewing



Dear Christine,

Just a short note to thank you for your knitted length and your good wishes for the project. Isn't it wonderful how far news has spread making it a truly international attempt at this world record. My husband and I were in Canada again, where we returned for another meeting with the ladies of Stoney Creek and other WIs in that area. We had a marvelous afternoon with them, and their knitted lengths have also just arrived.

At the moment, we have 10 miles stitched together and stored in Durham, so we are half-way to the existing record. Cost of postage is quite a problem to the project, but we hope to work around this by asking various people to bring them back when visiting other areas.

Once again, many thanks!

> Christine Preston Broompark WI Durham, England



ACWW Projects Committee Report

By Charlotte Johnston

he Projects Committee of the Associated Country Women of the World meets twice a year in London, England, to study and evaluate the many project submissions. It has been my duty to help sort and consider those most worthy of receiving funds to effectively carry out community projects.

It is easy to sort them into categories which receive funds from Women Feed the World or Water for All. However, there are projects that fall into other categories. These receive funds from money designated just for Projects.

In March, when I was in London, the Projects Committee found they were re-

stricted because of the shortfall of funds in the Projects envelope. Literacy, health, leadership and projects that help women learn how to become financially stable are all supported by money from these Projects funds. Many projects prepared by women's groups in deprived areas of our world were dismissed because of the shortage of funds available to us.

I am appealing to my fellow Women's Institute members in Ontario. When you are filling out your donations form, please consider designating money to the ACWW Projects Fund, and not just to Women Feed the World and Water for All.

I encourage you to read about the many successfully completed projects, in parts of Africa, India, China and Colombia, in ACWW's The Countrywoman and in the Projects Committee Report.

Charlotte Johnston is a member of the Projects Committee of the Associated County Women of the World

Ontario Winners of the FWIC Competitions, 1997-2000

Tweedsmuir Competitions

a) Community History

Wall Hanging of the History of Your Community

Venetia Moorhouse, Dunrobin WI, Carleton West

b) Handcraft

Counted Cross-Stitich Christmas Tree Skirt

Anne McPherson, Waldemar WI, Dufferin South

c) Cultural

Short Story - "My Memories of a One-Room Schoolhouse"

E. Ruth Algire, Williamsburg WI, Dundas

Unity Essay Competition

"What Unity Means to Me"

Peggy McLeod, Snake River WI, Renfrew

Cairine Wilson Competition

"A Canadian Woman of the 20th Century Who has Made a Difference"

No entries.