

HOMES & COUNTRY

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The Quilt - A Celebration of Survivors

Carlingford Women's Institute in Perth South District visited the Stratford Perth Museum to view a display called The Quilt - A Celebration of Survivors. It's a display of 134 quilts donated by quilters from across Canada in support of breast cancer research and outreach support. The quilts are auctioned to raise money for the cause.

The project was started two years ago by breast cancer survivor Carol Miller of Russelldale, north of London. "I realized that my work and background in quilting could be a valuable tool to create an opportunity to help other women," said Miller. "I had hoped for 35 quilts minimum and was overwhelmed to receive 134 quilts from British Columbia to Quebec. So many have been touched by this disease and have chosen The Quilt as their vehicle to express their feelings," she stated.

Organize a trip with your Institute to visit this exhibition in the upcoming year. Or better yet, perhaps your Institute would consider donating a quilt for the Millennium Quilt Project. The proceeds go to the Canadian Cancer Society office nearest the donor and are directed as you wish to research or support. For details call Carol Miller at 519-229-6429 or email milrbarn@quadro.net

Extracted from an article by Louise Rachlis in the Ottawa Citizen, July, 1999.



This Sebringville Community Quilt brought village folk together from all walks of life to create this heartfelt quilt called the Hamlet with Heart. From left to right are Agnes Miller - Secretary, Carlingford WI, Carol Miller - founder of The Quilt project, Lillian Kreis - President, Carlingford WI, and Donna Willows - FWIO Southern Regional Board Director.

Submitted by Donna Willows, FWIO Southern Regional Board Director.

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Feeding the CAT

The Ruskview Women's Institute recently donated \$1340 to the Headwaters Health Care Centre. The money will go towards the purchase of the new CT Scanner. On hand for the presentation of the cheque was (from left to right) Billie Power - FWIO Western Regional Board Director, Evelyn Coe - President, Ruskview WI, Vivienne McLeod - Public Relations Officer, Ruskview WI, and Lesley Hazlehurst - hospital representative.

Submitted by Evelyn Coe, President, Ruskview WI, Dufferin North.

HAPPY NEW YEAR! WELCOME TO THE YEAR 2000!

