



Bowen Road members Elva Leadley (left) and Pam Hagan (right) dressed up for their Victorian Tea and Autumn Bazaar held last fall. The proceeds went toward scholarships presented to two local high schools, to the 4-H Calf Clubs and to other community needs.

Submitted by
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Leone Foerter, Fordwich WI member, promoted the "Indebted to the Past-Committed to the Future" video and commemorative booklet to Huron East District members.

Submitted by Leone Foerter, Fordwich WI, Huron East.

ALL OVER THE MAP

Amalgamation has been a hot topic for discussion among members of the WI in Wellington County the past year. The amalgamation of Guelph and Eramosa Townships inspired local playwright Dale Hamilton to write a collaborative community play entitled "All Over the Map." Residents of both Townships were invited to take part. In fact, Hamilton insisted that the five WI Branches - West End, Speedside, Riverside, Mosborough and Ponsonby - be involved since they are so much a part of the fabric of the Townships. The cast representing members of a wedding party symbolized the marriage of the two Townships. On each of four different days, the wedding party toured the Townships being shown various landmarks; at the end of the day a mock wedding took place at the Rockwood Conservation area.

Each day, a comfort break was taken at Guelph Township Park. The community players were led to the front verandah of the FWIO Provincial Office. Representatives from each of the five Branches told the players about the achievements of the Women's Institute. From left to right are Betty Larter (Ponsonby WI), Eileen Steffler (Mosborough WI), Betty Quast (Speedside WI), Marjorie Durnford (West End WI) and Ann Parkinson (Riverside WI).

Submitted by Betty Larter, Ponsonby WI, Wellington Centre



Across the Miles

Chapman WI member Cecilia Maines had the opportunity recently to meet a long-time pen-pal when Ina Lubbers-Lensink and her husband Eric visited from Holland. The friendship began in 1986 when Cecilia submitted a macrame plant hanger to the International Plowing Match held in Stirling. At the time, Ina's parents, Appie and Annie Lensink, were attending the Plowing Match with relatives. The Lensinks were awarded the plant hanger, which carried Cecilia's name and address, because they attended the Plowing Match from the furthest distance. When the Lensinks returned home they asked their daughter Ina to write to Cecilia in acknowledgement of receipt of her gift. It was this first letter that began the pen-pal friendship between the two women. The Chapman WI hosted an Open House for Ina and Eric.

Submitted by Jean Thompson, PRO, Chapman WI, Hastings East.

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