

**Ingleside WI, Stormont South**

Ingleside participated in "Celebration 40" by sponsoring a Geneology Day. Visitors from the lost villages uprooted by the St. Lawrence Seaway Project forty years ago came to view Tweedsmuir Histories and scrapbooks and meet old friends and neighbours. Some 6,500 people from seven communities between Cornwall and Iroquois had to move and start all over again. These became known as the Lost Villages; some were reborn in new locales, others disappeared forever.

**Nobleton WI, York Centre**

This Branch participated in a Naturalization Project at the Senior Public School. They planted a Locust tree with a plaque at its base crediting the Nobleton WI. Two combined bake and garage sales raised \$800 which was used for this project. The Branch also helped update a history of their community and hope to sell 1000 copies. As well, members donated a copy of *For Home and Country* to the Nobleton Public Library.

**Lorne Sutherland WI, Carleton West**

Members of this Branch have been very active in their community. They presented a program entitled "Foods for Thought" to 145 people, co-sponsored a Self-Defence Awareness Program, catered to the 4-H Banquet and donated meals to 27 4-H members, held an auction to raise funds, made and served cookies at



*Fordwich Women's Institute members of Huron East District are pictured above parading their wears at a "Zany Fashion Show" held this past spring. Members were also involved in organizing a Tweedsmuir Tea for the District.*

Submitted by Leone Foerter, Fordwich WI, Huron East.

the Central Canada Exhibition, donated money to Ice Storm '98, fire victims and a project for the handicapped, and entered articles in two local fairs.

**Carleton East and West District**

These Districts hosted a "Bernice Noblitt Day" last spring. Bernice has served the Women's Institute in every capacity and with great ability. She has been President at all levels - Branch, District, Area, provincial and national, and was a recipient of the Order of Ontario. Through her special efforts, Eastern Area has produced two volumes of a best seller - *Silver Thoughts, Golden Words* and *A Nickel's Worth of Stories*.

*Branch members from the South Renfrew District gathered in June for their annual "Fun Day." Mae Craig (right), Eastern Area President, presented Ethel Collins (left), a deserving member of the Horton North WI, with a Centennial Plate. Ethel has been an active member of the WI since 1936, serving in various positions at Branch, District, Area and as a Provincial Board Director. She has helped various community organizations, including 4-H, the Renfrew Fair and Horticulture groups and the Horton Hall and Sportsplex. As well as being a mother of eleven children, Ethel worked at the Renfrew Victoria Hospital for many years.*

Submitted by JoAnne Camelon, PRO, Renfrew South.

**Peterborough District**

Peterborough District Women's Institute awarded thirteen of their members for outstanding work during the centennial year.



*Gordon WI member Gurtie Noble (left) was awarded a Volunteer Service Award by the Ontario Honour and Awards Branch of the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation. Gurtie was recognized for her many hours of volunteer service to the Women's Institute and the local nursing home in Gore Bay. She was awarded a certificate and pin by Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier, Marilyn Mushinski. Gurtie was nominated by fellow member Joanne Lane (right).*

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