

Trent Valley Area to Host Conference '98

When: July 3-5, 1998

Where: Loyalist College, Belleville

Theme: "Today's Family Shaping Tomorrow's World"

Registration Deadline: April 20, 1998



CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Friday, July 3

- Pre-Conference Tours, Belleville area - include a City Tour, Rolling Hills Treasure Tour and Farm and Country Tour
- Dinner & Opening Ceremonies
- Fashion Show
- Meet 'n Greet Reception

Saturday, July 4

- Lawyer Kathryn Burns - "Planning for the Inevitable"
- Panel Discussion - Branch, FWIO, FWIC & ACWW
- Workshops Entitled:
 - Navigating the Network
 - Defensive Driving
 - Silk Ribbon Embroidery
 - Banking Machine Mystery
 - Is That a Flower Pot?
 - Technology for Telephones
 - Can You Repeat That Please?
 - Edible Flowers and Recycled Plants
 - Travel the World with a Small Suitcase
 - Putting the Fun in Fundraising

- Companion/Guest Tour Includes:
 - Lake on Mountain, Native Museum, WI Lunch & Trenton Airforce Museum
- WI Displays & Marketplace
- Banquet
 - Keynote Speaker - Maude Barlow, Chair, Council of Canadians
 - Entertainment from The Mundells

Sunday, July 5

- Interfaith Service - Roy Bonisteel
- Message from FWIO President - Arthena Hecker
- Closing Ceremonies

For more information contact Conference '98 Chair, Donna Russett, at Phone/Fax: (613)395-4305 or Conference '98 Registrar, Evelyn Peck, at Phone: (613)968- 9402.

Note: All Branches received details of Conference '98 in a January mailing. Ask your Branch Secretary for this information.

FWIO Program Committee Offers Pre & Post Conference '98 Workshops

When: July 1, 2, 3 & 6

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Come and enjoy a number of workshops, including:

- Simply Sewing - A Wonderful Cardigan
- Vests, Vests, Vests
- Walking/Fitness/Golf Suit
- Japanese Envelope Purse/Bag
- Lancaster Rose Cushion
- Feathered Star
- Machine Paper Piecing
- 3-Dimensional Applique
- Jointed Bears
- Victorian Angel/Father Santa Claus
- Personalized Welcome Sign
- Counted Thread Work
- Pierced Lampshades
- The Quilting Stitch
- Gift Tins
- Be a Quilt Judge
- Finishing Techniques

Competitions Organized

The FWIO Program Committee have also organized competitions as an additional component of Conference '98. We encourage individuals, groups, Branches or Districts to enter. The competition categories include:

- Quilting - pieced, applique or mixed media (2 or more techniques)
- Quilted Clothing
- Counted Cross Stitch Picture
- Hand-crafted Doll

Ask your Branch Secretary for details which were mailed to all Branches in a January mailing.

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Having a Hand at Bringing the Farm to the Classroom



The Zealand WI created a farm puppet kit under the initiative and guidance of member Pam Giroux. The kit is used by local nursery school children. Some of the Zealand members pose with their puppets and a delighted audience.

Submitted by Lise Westland, PRO, Zealand WI, Lanark South.