

FWIC COMPETITION DEADLINES:

*A Message from the FWIO
Unity Convener
- Marilyn Sharp*

Please take note of the following deadline dates for the FWIC Competitions:

- Each level of the Women's Institute is to arrange their own judges, and decide if they wish to provide prizes.
- Branch and/or individual Women's Institute entries are to be judged at Branch level. Place a card with your full name, address and phone number and your Women's Institute Branch, District and Area in a sealed envelope firmly attached to your entry.
- Branch is to send one winning entry from each category to the District Secretary to arrive by March 15, 1996.
- District is to send one winning entry from each category to the Area Secretary to arrive by July 15, 1996.
- Area is to send one winning entry from each category to the FWIO Unity Convener - Marilyn Sharp, 53 Parkwood Dr., Cambridge, Ontario, N1S 3K9 - to arrive no later than January 5, 1997.
- FWIO Unity Convener to send one winning entry from each category to FWIC Unity Convener to arrive no later than March 31, 1997.
- Winning entries will be announced and on display at the 1997 FWIC Convention in Hamilton, Ontario.

Note: All entries are to follow the above path, beginning at Branch level. Under no circumstances will deadline dates be changed.



Donation from Dufferin North District



In honour of the International Year of the Family, and to show their pride in the new Dufferin County Museum and Archives, the Dufferin North District Women's Institute presented a \$500 cheque to Curator, Wayne Townsend. From left to right in the front row are Wayne Townsend - Curator, Dufferin County Museum, Billie Power - District President, and Ruth Halbert - District Secretary. In the back row from left to right are Dufferin North District members: Evelyn Coe - First Vice President, Greta Brown - Public Relations Officer, Isabelle Bates - Second Vice President, and Bernice Madill - Program Co-ordinator.

*Bob the Beaver
Is a comical chap
With his bright little
Trousers, bucket and cap!*



Bob the Beaver is pictured above with delegates to the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (FWIC) Convention in Truro, Nova Scotia. From left to right are Jane Croft, a member of the Mountsberg WI in Ontario, Charlotte Johnston, President of FWIC, Elizabeth Rushton, President of the Alberta Women's Institutes, and Mildred Keith, President Elect of FWIC.

At their Strategic Planning Meeting in Montreal in 1993, the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (FWIC) Board proposed that if each WI member in Canada donated one dollar per year for three years, FWIC would not have to raise fees. And they would be on solid financial footing. Thus, 'Bob the Beaver' and his 'Bail Out Bucket' was created. At the FWIC Convention last June in Truro, Nova Scotia, delegates were introduced to 'Bob.'

Send your contribution of one dollar per year or more to the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario office in Guelph, who will in turn send it to the FWIC office in Ottawa.