



## HOME & COUNTRY

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## COMMONS DEBATES

October 21, 1994

**M**r. John Richardson (Perth-Wellington-Waterloo, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this time to pay tribute to the Women's Institutes of Canada, particularly the members of the Women's Institutes in Perth County and the Avonton Branch which is celebrating its 70th anniversary in community services.

The Women's Institutes of Canada was founded as an educational organization based on principles of sound nutrition, safe food, health and fitness and the right of women to have access of up-to-date information on issues that affect themselves and their families.

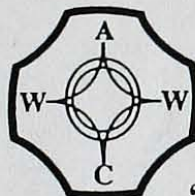
There are over 16,000 members in Ontario alone. The organization has been instrumental in accomplishing a number of improvements in our way of life.

Mr. Speaker, did you know that it was Women's Institutes that fought for the pasteurization of milk, signs at railroad crossings, buses stopping at railroad crossings, clear marking of poison on containers and the painting of white lines on highways for safety? These are just some of the things that we take for granted today that were once the rallying cries of Women's Institutes.

I congratulate all members of the organization.

*John Richardson*

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### "Working with Women Worldwide"

October 5, 1994

Mrs. Anna Jackson  
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Dear Mrs. Jackson,

This is to thank you most warmly for the cheques recently received ... from the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, and I confirm this money has been apportioned to our Pennies for Friendship Fund (£21,005.46 or \$44,471 Canadian), Water for All (£132.87 or \$279 Canadian), and Women Feed the World (£4,709.31 or \$9970 Canadian), all in accordance with your instructions.

This is really a marvellous amount. Please convey our very sincere thanks to all your members who contributed, and helped with fundraising activities. Your support for the work of ACWW is very much appreciated. Many congratulations to all concerned on a truly wonderful achievement!

With very best wishes to you all.

Yours sincerely,

*Anna Frost*

General Secretary