

# FWIC Competitions

## Muriel Bronson Memorial Prize

This award has been made possible through the generosity of Miss Ellen Bronson, in memory of Mrs. Muriel Bronson - a member of the Women's Institutes of Pontiac County, Quebec, for many years. An award of \$100 is to be made annually to a Women's Institute member interested in furthering her education:

- preferably through completion of a university credit course in language, history, horticulture ... OR,
- completion of the following sorts of courses at a community college or university:
  - techniques for teachers of adults;
  - psychology of adult development and learning;
  - community development;
  - early childhood education;
  - and, effective parenting.

### Regulations:

- The applicant must have been a Women's Institute member for at least five years.
- The applicant must submit a letter containing:
  - personal data relating to application;
  - specific outline of training program;
  - and, expected benefits of training.
- A letter of recommendation is required from a local Branch.
- The application must be received by the Scholarship Committee, Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (FWIC), Suite 606, 251 Bank St., Ottawa, Ontario, K2P 1X3, before March 15, 1995.
- The successful applicant will be notified by the Chair of the Scholarship Committee by April 15, 1995, to be followed by an official announcement at the next Board meeting.

## Hazel Stiles Scholarship

This award of \$500 is to be made annually to a Women's Institute member who wishes to take training to further her education or qualifications in areas related to cultural activities to benefit both self and community. All Provincial Boards are responsible for distribution of the information sheets supplied by the FWIC.

### Regulations:

- The applicant must have been a Women's Institute member for at least five years.
- The applicant must submit a letter with:
  - personal data relating to application;
  - purpose and plan for which the money will be used (ie. training, travel, accommodation, etc.)
  - specific outline of training program;
  - and, expected benefits of training to self and community.
- Cultural activities are to be interpreted as painting, music, drama, creative writing, creative heritage crafts, and the like.
- Instruction should begin within six months of notification of scholarship and terminate within thirty months.
- A letter of recommendation is required from a local Branch.
- The application is to be received by the provincial office by February 15, 1995. Applications are to be screened by a panel of judges arranged by the Provincial Board.
- The Provincial Board will then forward their selections to the Scholarship Committee, Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (FWIC), Suite 606, 251 Bank St., Ottawa, K2P 1X3, before March 15, 1995.
- The Federated Women's Institutes of Canada Scholarship Committee is responsible for judging and final selection. The successful applicant will be notified by the Chair of the Scholarship Committee by April 15, 1995, to be followed by an official announcement at the next Board meeting.

## Get the Lead Out!

Lead is a dangerous heavy metal - even small amounts attack the digestive, reproductive and nervous systems. Small children are particularly susceptible.

Lead solder was used to join the water pipes in many older homes. If this is the case in your home, never drink the water left standing in the system overnight, and before having a drink, let the taps run a few minutes or wait until you have a short shower or flush the toilet to clear out the accumulated lead.

In the past, lead-based glazes were sometimes used on ceramic cups, bowls and pottery. Many pharmacies carry lead test kits for measuring the lead levels in pottery, paints, water or soil.

Renovators beware! Never use a heat gun to strip older (pre-1977) lead-based paint from walls, woodwork or painted furniture. It's safer to paint over the old lead-based paint, or call a professional with the proper protection equipment who can keep the dust to a minimum (disposable paper masks are not good enough).

You don't have to worry about the "lead" in lead pencils. It's actually graphite and quite harmless.

*This information was extracted from a booklet entitled **Cleaner 'n Greener** put together by the Waste Management and Energreen programs in the County of Lambton.*

## Congratulations

### Anniversaries:

Lookout Bay WI .....	40
Malcolm WI .....	40
Singer's Corners WI .....	40
Hampden WI .....	45
Community WI .....	50
Ramsay WI .....	50
Adamsville WI .....	60
Clute WI .....	60
Model WI .....	60
Fairfield WI .....	70
Harrowsmith WI .....	70
Pittsburgh WI .....	70
Rylstone WI .....	70
Princeton-Woodbury WI ...	75
Winchester WI .....	75
Zion Line WI .....	75
Bethany WI .....	80
Dungannon WI .....	80
Jarratt-Creighton WI .....	80
Maples WI .....	80
Zion WI .....	80
Arkell WI .....	85
Colbeck-Monticello WI ...	85
Rainham Centre WI .....	85
Branchton WI .....	90
Cianbrasil WI .....	90
Minesing WI .....	90
Puslinch WI .....	90
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### Life Memberships:

Consecon WI
- Rena Cunningham
- Marion Walt
Kirkton WI
- Verna Blackler
- Jean Copeland
- Doris Denham
- Betsy Parkinson
- Helen Shute
- Doris Spence
- Joyce Strahan
- Marion Urquhart
Minesing WI
- Betty Haight
Oxenden WI
- Laura Edmonstone
- Laura Hahn
- Pearl Walpole
Peace WI
- Alberta Ferguson
- Vola Purcell