

# White Lake WI host Indonesian delegation



Donna Russett (centre), President Elect for the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, is pictured with Mrs. Mien Sugandhi (left), the State Minister for the Role of Women in the Republic of Indonesia, and Dianna Pritchard (right), Renfrew South District President and member of the White Lake WI.

By Donna Russett

Many thanks to the Farm Women's Bureau of Agriculture Canada for inviting the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO) to make a presentation and host the State Minister for the Role of Women of the Republic of Indonesia and her delegation. The White Lake Women's Institute hosted the delegation on September 16, 1993.

The policies of the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and the Government of Indonesia have supported the development of excellent relations between the women of Indonesia and Canada over the past ten years. Beginning in 1988, the Government of Canada began a program to co-operate directly with the Indonesian Ministry for the Role of Women to ensure the integration of women into development activities.

This particular mission to Canada provided a number of opportunities for the Minister: to identify issues of importance for mutual co-operation; to highlight relevant Canadian programs; to meet policy-makers and officials of implementation agencies; and, to become familiar with staff and structures of national and provincial women's ministries.

Donna Russett is the President Elect of the FWIO.

## Centennial Celebrations Update

By Katherine Garwood

Women's Institute Branches across Ontario received Centennial Quilt Competition application forms in the Fall. Grey Bruce members, Lois Urstadt, Carol Craig and Anna Farrow, have worked many hours on the organization of this competition and should be congratulated. It is expected that members will need little encouragement to set up those quilt frames. Quilts will be hanging right up to the rafters in the Gambrel Barn at the Ontario Agricultural Museum in Milton.

The quilts will be judged in three categories with three prizes awarded in each category. The overall winner will receive an additional \$600 over and above the category prize.

### The Women's Institute



#### For Home and Country

The culmination of the Quilt Competition will coincide with a Women's Institute Day at the Agricultural Museum on June 14, 1995. A barbeque and entertainment will be organized, and it is anticipated that members from across Ontario will be in attendance.

All Branch, District and Area Secretaries should have received the Quilt Competition Brochure entitled "Patterns of Time." If they didn't, please contact Lois Urstadt, RR#7, Owen Sound, Ontario, N4K 6V5, (519)376-9876.

The Centennial Committee was very pleased with the response from Branches

to the green Branch Survey Form. Many Branches will receive follow-up letters in the coming year as work on the Coffee Table Book progresses. This book will be titled *Home & Country: A Century of Ontario Homes, 1897-1997*.

The book will be divided into chapters that will take you through Ontario homes - inside and out. It will portray decade by decade pictorial views of all the rooms in an Ontario home, as well as their gardens and verandahs. It is hoped that these photographs depict the homes of Women's Institute members, and not necessarily rely on museums and archives as sources; this will make the book a truly special Women's Institute commentary.

Women's Institute members are encouraged to write to the Centennial Committee with any 100th anniversary ideas they may have. Address all correspondence to Margaret Zoeller, Chair, Centennial Committee, #2206 - 6 Willow St., Waterloo, Ontario, N2J 4S3.

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