

## HOBBY AND CRAFT

1973 FAIR HUGE SUCCESS

The Bruce Centre District Women's Institute Hobby and Craft Fair held in the Port Elgin Arena on Wednesday, July 18th, drew a crowd of over 1150 people.

There were displays of crafts and hobbies of interest to everyone. The Bake Table with donations from over 300 members attracted many customers, and the Fish Ponds and Cold Drink Stands took the children's interest.

The Burgoyne Women's Institute served sandwiches, tarts, cookies, tea and coffee from small tables with colourful flower arrangements, making a very welcome spot to sit down, enjoy refreshments and visit with friends.

During the noon hour the Tara Women's Institute served Salad Plates with pie and beverage to 100 guests in the Community Centre. During the supper hour the West Arden Women's Institute served a buffet of Cold Plates with meat, rolls, salad, dessert and beverage, with both eye and taste appeal for 125 customers. Both groups served meals on trays to the occupants of booths in the Arena.

In the evening Mayor Brings of Port Elgin drew the winning ticket on a "Daisy Chain" quilt made by Mrs. Gowalock, President of Bruce Centre District. Mrs. Glen Meuser of West Arden held the winning ticket. A hooked rug donated to West Arden with proceeds from the tickets for their Community Centre was won by L. Ferguson of Port Elgin.

Craftsmen taking part by purchasing space to sell their crafts were: George Jones of "Mountain View Ceramics" in Allenford; "Candle Blue" of Hepworth; Mrs. Elgin Messam and Mrs. M. Gowalock of Allenford's "Chipmunk Corner", with toys and other crafts; L. Campbell's "Rockies", hand crafted curios made from Ontario beach stones; Mrs. Bob Reany's Afghans and Paintings from Port Elgin; Mz. W. Forgraves of Tara with Wood Crafts; Mrs. H. Koehler of Tara with Leather Crafts; Mrs. Diaber of Tara with decorations; Mrs. Carl McClinchy of Clinton with jewellery; Mrs. D. Frey of Clinton with Tin Clay Liquid Embroidery; Mrs. Olive Coughlin of Atwood with paintings; Mrs. Day of Atwood with

toys; Mrs. McCharles of Locksaw with Afghans; Mrs. Campbell of Kincardine with quilted pictures; Fampas studios of Goderich with Puppets; Mrs. Milne of Bruce Beach with Weaving; Mr. J. Bauer of Mitchell with Bee-Killed Wood Crafts; Mrs. Wayland of Kincardine with Pouches; Mr. Harold Sutherland of Port Elgin with a Historical Society booth; the "Rock Hounds" from Port Elgin; the Cummings family of Port Elgin with Arles Repetition; Mrs. Underwood of Port Elgin with the Genealogical Society booth; Mrs. Wagner of Port Elgin with paintings; Mrs. Hamie of Wilkesford with jewellery; and Mrs. Sharon Francis of Port Elgin with Beauty Consultant.

Groups and branches taking part were: Allenford, Elginore, West Arden, White School, Underwood, South Sauguen, Tara, Burgoyne, Mount Hope, Bruce Lake, Ashworth, Port Elgin, Southampon and the Country Ladies.

Each group displayed quilts and crafts and had selling projects such as books, glass, jams, basket items and cold drinks.

Already space is being reserved for our 1974 Hobby and Craft Fair which will be held on July 6th in the Port Elgin Arena.

## A.C.W.W. CONFERENCE

To be held in Perth, Australia in October, 1974

The winter report of Sub-division 16, Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, was given by Mrs. Urtadt at Clowering United Church on January 14th. Thirty-six members from Grey West, Bruce Centre and Bruce North were present.

During the year from February 1972-73 a special drive was on to increase the Institute membership by 20%. Several Branches achieved this goal in this area, they were Bruce North - Adamsville, Colony's Bay, Mar, Bruce Centre, South Sauguen and Grey West - Kumbie and Grandview.

The Secretary's report showed a total of \$321,667.46 in the Donations report.

This year all Commonwealths are asked to stress "Nutrition" in their programs and possibly there will be a Nutrition Workshop.

Fourteen awards of \$100 each will be awarded in Scholarships instead of the usual eight.

A new Scholarship is being set up in the London area in memory of Maryn Fardy. The Handbook will be reviewed in 1974.

Many recommendations came from Mrs. Nubbitt's report of the FWIC meeting. She suggested that a study of health be favoured in the Province as a whole. Also, studies of such problems as alcohol, drugs, abortions, insanity, capital punishment were recommended.

Letter and program exchanges, creative writing, production of hand-crafted articles and drama competition are to be encouraged.

In the summary of Resolutions, requests were made that Survivor's Benefits under the Canada Pension Plan apply equally to both male and female; that there should be more funds for Venereal Disease Research and treatment, as well as the Criminal Code of Canada (mis-treatment of a child) should be amended.

The A.C.W.W. Conference in Perth, Australia will be held on October 6th - 12th, 1974. The Theme will be "A World to Share."

The International Scholarship, this year is to assist a lady from Schwyz to take a Nursery School Training.

There is still a great need for Families for Friendships.

