

# South Renfrew WI to hold meeting

Northcote United Church will be the setting for South Renfrew District Womens' Institute annual meeting Tuesday, May 10/83.

Mrs Olive Watt district president called a meeting February 16th in Agriculture room, Renfrew to make plans for the meeting. Registration 8:30 am, opening exercises 9 am. Roll Call "What has Canada contributed to ACWW" in twenty-five words or less. Speaker will be Rev Linda Bell from Cobden.

The Officers Conference at Waterloo will be May 3, 4 and 5th for Resolution Conveners and members at large.

The ACWW conference in Vancouver is June 19th to 30th. Provincial Government has donated \$5,000 and Federal a total of \$15,000. Governor General Schreyer is to officiate at the opening ceremonies.

Branch Institutes to send gifts, or money to the value of \$1 per member to Mrs John Brown, Box 69, Washago, Ont by March 15th for sales table at Convention. Used stamps also to be sent by March 1st to Mrs Russell Campbell, RR 1, Iona Station, Ont. For more information see Home and Country Summer 1982.

Mrs Shirley Stewart reported Institute plates could be purchased with the crest, this is to be brought up at the annual.

The Handicraft Competition 2 seminal place mats, cushion turponto and knitted vest, will be judged at the annual. Please advise the district secretary if you have an exhibit.

## Stewartville

by Barbara Scheel

The Stewartville WI held a MAD meeting in March at the home of Gladys Sullivan. Each member had invited a guest from another institute branch.

The letters MAD represented music, art and drama.

### Music

Miss Dianne Smith visited with us and played some beautiful musical selections on her flute with taped accompaniment.

### Art

Jessie Smith has taken

Castleford Branch Institute will be celebrating their 70th Anniversary May 28th, 1983, 2 till 4 pm in the Horton Sportsplex.

An invitation all women to attend International Womans' Day Community Hall, Arnprior Civic Centre, Wednesday, March 9th, 1983. Films, 1:30 pm and 7:30 pm.

A workshop Rural Seminar for Vital People. Reg fee \$5.00 for the day March 10th, banquet 6:30 pm. Guest speaker. Please register by March 1st.

Miss Molly McGhee will be speaker at Anglican church March 14th, 1:30 pm till 3:30 pm even 7:30 to 9 pm. News items from Board meeting.

Ontario will be hosting the 10th National Convention in 1985. Place to be decided later. A total of 1,311 new members have joined FWIO, two new branches formed, Lanark South, and one in Lambton Centre. If a branch disbands we should encourage life members to join some other branch so that a record of life members can be kept.

Last year FWIO had 1,177 branches, 26,144 members and 3,611 life members. FWIO donated \$5,200 to Erland Lee home, an Institute project and \$17,198 pennies for friendship to the Associated Country Women of the World.

Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Food, Duncan Allan said there will be no cut back in staff just some relocations, four branches will relocate in Guelph, Rural Organizations, Plant Industries, Animal Industries and

Veterinaries branch, would also like to get a consumer information centre.

The producer consumer theme is still on this year with Institute groups.

Joyce Canning will assume Molly McGhee's position, she will also help Mary Campbell in WI office.

Mrs Brown, PRO said too much money went into the additional column. Be specific, only include bus trip money if the branch or district pays for the bus, instead of individual members.

Covers for History Books can be purchased from Hutchings and Patrick Industries Manufacturing Stationers, Ottawa, Ont. Paper 100 sheets with onion skin from Mirror Press, 521 Erie Street, Stratford, Ont for \$25.

Helen McKercher Scholarship \$1,200 to qualify you must be Home Economics Graduate of a recognized Can University pursuing a Masters Degree.

Each branch Institute should support Project UCA 71 "Water for all" even one dollar per branch would be a help. FWIC has a goal of \$50,000, in the next three years.

The New Project is Unlimited Potential "Women". It is aimed at educating women in areas, where their knowledge may in the past have been somewhat lacking. Each convector should carry out this theme in its program.

Coming together is a beginning,  
Keeping together is progress,  
Working together is success.