ACTIVITIES

April 24, 1995 - Prince Edward District now has an Education Committee Portfolio comprising of members of various Institutes in the county.

Mrs. Louise Humphrey, of Hillier Branch, organized a Workshop on "How to Promote Your W.I."

This meeting ran from 9:30 am to 3 in the afternoon, and our group was responsible for providing the beverages that day. It was well attended and was held at Ameliasburgh Township Hall. Public Relations Officer and Program Co-ordinators were encouraged to attend. Evelyn Peck, President, gave a 3 minute talk on her display for this meeting.

May 31, 1995 - Demorestville Church Hall was the scene of our District Annual for 1995. A display "How We Communicate" centered around our logo, on hats, sweat shirts, printed material, our publications - eg. Home and Country, note paper, brochures, and by word of mouth ie: telephone. Evelyn Peck, President, set up the display shown below, and along with Linda Dulmage, did something similar for the Quinte Ex - August 30 - Sept. 4, 1995 for which we

June 14, 1995 - This turned out to be a most memorable day for Institute members within a good driving distance of Milton, Ontario, the site of the Ontario Agricultural Museum. We spoke to some from North Bay, eastern Ontario, western Ontario. Husbands, family members, were included in the invitation which came to our branches way back in the fall of 1994. Some 4000 people came that day, and were royally treated on entering the grounds by a nice cup of coffee and a muffin, plus a warm smile from the volunteers of nearby WI's who could manage the job. Everything was highly organized for the whole day's events, and you could wander at leisure during the day, or else take the horse drawn vehicle if walking was a problem. Each person received a WI mug with a lid on entering the grounds.

The day was warm and sunny, we left Consecon at 6 am, others from Rednersville caught their bus at Quinte Mall and after a 3+ hr. drive we arrived in fine form, ready to face the day. Our \$18.00 ticket included a served lunch of BBcued Turkey, salad, roll, strawberry shortcake, tea, coffee or juice. This was a sit down affair, and you were glad to do just that. We had 3 sittings to accommodate the crowd, and while waiting in line, you could take time to talk to your neighbour. The whole atmosphere that day was one of friendliness which we associate with WI. The cost of the bus that day was \$20.00.

All the buildings were open. Perhaps the central focus was the Gambrel Barn right at the entrance which featured the most varied Quilt Show. The winning quilt would be announced later that afternoon. The quality of the work and the skill and design of each quilt was something to behold. They were surely works of art. You could vote for your No. 1 choice.

A WI member wearing a Centennial T Shirt and a red scarf would direct you wherever you needed to go.

This event is a kickoff for the 1997 celebration which will mark the 100 years of WI. Many more such happenings will occur between now and then. The 1997 gathering is planned for Hamilton, Ont. close to Stoney Creek where it all began in 1897.

As a matter of interest - it took the following to prepare the food for the luncheon:

 $\frac{1}{2}$ ton potatoes for the salad, 36 heads of lettuce, 3626 biscuits made by 2 members, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton turkey breasts, 360 flats of strawberries, 30,000 oz. juice

Our members who attended this day: Mabel Onderdonk, Frances Young, Marion Townsend, Florence Waterhouse, Edith Cairns, Jean Vanclief, Marjorie Bedford, Eveylyn Peck, Fay Wetherall, Evelyn Price, Margaret Vandervelde, Margaret Durrant, and Daisy Wannamaker, Marlene Corfield.

October 1, 1995 -Our day for selling pie and coffee at Ameliasburgh fell on a Sunday this year. We were fortunate in selling everything we had and realizing an amount of \$366.10. Because funds are needed at two levels: 1. The Headquarters Fund, and 2. Preliminary costs to print the FWIO History Book we agreed to split the amount to help these two worthwhile ventures.





Demorestville Display, May 1995 by E. Peck, L. Dulmage
Left: Quinte Exhibition Display, Aug.—Sept. 1995 by E. Peck, L. Din ge