

ACTIVITIES

All Institutes this year were encouraged to participate in the International Year of the Family. You could do so in many ways.

Rednersville WI participated in the Quinte Exhibition in September 1994 with articles dating back to the early days of our group. This display featured old toys, children's story books, moving up to the modern era of Christmas decorations etc. The logo below was introduced by the United Nations, so was a world-wide theme. No prizes are awarded anymore but when you enter your WI receives \$25.00.

Another county activity was "The Big Bike Ride for the Heart and Stroke Foundation". One of our Hillier members promoted the idea. The ride took place in Picton riding from the west end to the Fair Grounds. Each participant was asked to secure pledges from friends, family and neighbours. Many WI members from all over the county took part and a grand total of \$16,639. was raised for the day's work - and that was May 29, 1994. Other groups involved were: Hallowell House, Carewell Nursing Home, Pr. Edw. County Hospital, Chamber of Commerce, Quinte Isle Tourist Association, Bloomfield United Church, Prince Edward Collegiate, and the Real Estate Board.

Promoting the Accessible Transportation for the County made great strides this year, with the framework gradually falling into place. At Picton Fair in Sept. the vehicle that is used in this work was on display. Because it was necessary to have local municipalities show interest and support, we are pleased that Ameliasburgh was one of the first, along with Sophiasburgh, to commit themselves to the project. Some of our members assisted that day.

July 28, 1994 - Our Annual Craft Show was greeted with another pleasant day, with great crowds, a great variety of goods for sale, great food, and an all round success. As usual Rednersville and Mountain View WI's combined resources to supply the evening meal.

Proceeds from the supper were \$761.00 for our share.

August 6, 1994 - Our group catered to a 50th Anniversary for Daisy and John Wannamaker, a member.

Proceeds from this event were \$150.00

October 1, 1994 - We served pie and coffee again for Ameliasburgh Fair. Although the weather didn't co-operate the pies and coffee were sold out by 4 pm.

Proceeds were \$300.00 which we sent to Guelph for the Headquarters Fund.



# Council shows a lot of leadership

GAZETTE July 23/94

Often criticized for leaning toward Belleville and not really caring what happens in the rest of the county, Ameliasburgh Township council has taken the lead in bringing accessible transportation to the county.

The Women's Institute which initiated the program, approached county council twice to obtain its sponsorship and twice county council, while it supported the plan, could not act as a sponsor because it was worried about being stuck with the cost of the program somewhere down the road.

The accessible transportation program is needed in the county and the Women's Institute is not an unproven commodity. It has been around for 80 years and it doesn't look like it has any plans on folding up in the future.

Ameliasburgh council showed that it is not afraid to take a chance on something new. Perhaps this is why Ameliasburgh Township gets things it wants for the township. Nothing will get done if you don't take a chance.

Congratulations to Ameliasburgh council for taking a chance which will help others.

Ed Reeves.

Marlene Corfield 5th on right

who donated snap

Top rt. Fay Wetherall Daisy Wannamaker Marion Townsend

D. Wannamaker snapshot



*A heart sheltered by a roof,*

*linked by another heart, to symbolize life and love in a home where one finds warmth, caring, security, togetherness, tolerance and acceptance - that is the symbolism conveyed by the emblem of the International Year of the Family 1994. The open design is meant to indicate continuity with a hint of uncertainty. The brushstroke, with its open line roof, completes an abstract symbol representing the complexity of the family.*