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# BWI review successful year

Swadesh Sachdeva, president of the Beamsville Women's Institute, reviewed another successful year at the group's annual meeting recently.

Despite diminishing numbers of active members, several fundraisers were held and again the scholarship for a home economics graduate at Beamsville District Secondary School was awarded. Two 4-H clubs were supported as were various local organizations and institutions.

Announcements were made about the Lincoln District annual meeting to take place at Rockway United Church on Wednesday, May 20, at 9 a.m. Luncheon speaker will be Betty Christianson, who was a guest of Dr. Roberta Bondar at the pre-launch events and the launch of the space shut-

tle. Tickets for the lunch are \$6.50, and must be ordered by Friday (May 8).

Barbara Stones reported on the 'Decor Accents' course in late March with 15 participants. She requested items completed from the course be displayed at the district annual. The District's social evening will be held on Monday, June 15, at the Vineland Women's Institute Hall. The theme for that will be 'Canada's 125th Birthday' and members will be asked to donate \$5 towards the hall rental and special pennies for friendship, for Associated Country Women of the World.

The following people hold the given positions for the BWI for the 1992-93 year:

Barbara Stones, past president,

district director, Swadesh Sachdeva, president, resolutions, Eileen Turnbull, 1st vice-president, secretary, Norma Burse, 2nd vice-president, flowers and cards and letters to the UK, Dorothy Burch, treasurer, bus trips, Maureen Kimberley, alternate director, Patricia Watterworth, public relations, Nell Michener, auditors, Margaret Strong, tweedsmuir history, auditor, Angela Valli, program co-ordinator, Pauline Gardner, Muriel Sherk and Lillian Lister, social welfare and visiting, Margaret White, telephone convener and branch directors are Ms Michener, Ms Kimberley and Nellie Mairs.

The next meeting of the BWI will be the grandmother's meeting on May 19. Competition is to bring your wedding picture.

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## Lincoln District W.I. Heads Into The Future

### District WI looks at future

Based on information provided. 'Into the Future' was the theme of the 91st Lincoln District Women's Institute district annual held recently at the Rockway Presbyterian Church.

This was brought to life by guest speaker Betty Christiansen of St. Catharines, when she shared the thrill and excitement of attending the launching of the spacecraft when Dr. Roberta Bondar made her first space flight earlier this year.

Mrs. Christiansen, a former Girl Guide leader of 'Bobby Bondar' in Sault Saint Marie, shared many aspects of this relationship.

President Lena Byl also spoke to the theme in her address, urging members to celebrate all the wonderful things happening in today's world and to not be discouraged by all the bad news. As caring

Canadian citizens, the Lincoln District WI will celebrate Canada 125 on June 15, at the Vineland WI hall with all nine branches participating.

Barbara Stones, program co-ordinator, reported many interesting programs from the branches. Jerinne Porteous, FWIC board director, asked the branches to use the theme 'I'm Proud' as in 'I'm Proud to be Canadian' for their 1992-93 programs. The first edition of the new Home and Country will be printed in September.

Members were given a petition against further budget cuts to medicare, to be circulated, signed and sent to MPPs and the Minister of Health.

Pam Bronn, FWIC board director for subdivision 19 installed the new officers for the fast-approaching season.



#### LINCOLN DISTRICT W.I. EXECUTIVE

The new executive of the Lincoln District Women's Institute (WI) was elected at the annual meeting in Rockway recently. Members of the 1992-93 executive pictured above are: Standing in front from left Lena Byl, president, Virgil; Eileen Turnbull, 2nd Vice president, Beamsville; and Mary Murray, Vineland, Auditor. From left in the middle row are Muriel Culp, secretary-treasurer, Vineland; Barb Dochstader, Public Relations Officer, Wellandport; Jerinne Porteous, Resolutions Convener, Community Builders; and Thelma Stewart, 1st vice president, Louth; In the back row from left are Doris Dennis, past president, Caistorville; Barb Stones, Program Co-ordinator, Beamsville; and Eleanor Lancaster, Tweedsmuir History Curator, Louth.

## BWI recall grandmother and her treats

Based on information provided.

Beamsville Women's Institute president Swadesh Sachdeva welcomed members to the annual grandmother's meeting on May 19.

Roll call was answered by recalling visits to grandmother's house. Some of these memories were interesting and often concerned a "treat" or an item that Grandma made.

Final plans were made for the district annual meeting at Rockway and four members will go to represent the Beamsville WI.

Members were reminded of the district social evening on Monday, June 15, at the Vineland WI hall at 7:30 p.m. Remember the special 'pennies for friendship' collection to acknowledge the theme of Canada's 125th anniversary. This money will go towards the world organization (Associated Country Women of the World) through which the WI has representation at the United Nations.

Members again participated in pitch-in week, and collected five bags of garbage from Mountain's Alley and vicinity on May 4.

The geraniums have again been planted by the WI in the urns at the cenotaph. The tree planted previously at the town hall had died because of a drainage problem, but the tree will be replaced.

June WI days at the Erland Lee Museum Home were June 5 and 6.

The next meeting of the BWI will be the annual outing since gardens are involved. The phone committee will alert members as to day and details so members can go when the blooms are at their best.