Bruce WI keeps busy

Adamsville and Allenford WI were hostesses for the Bruce County District Women's Institute director's meeting on March 2 at the Presbyterian Church in Allenford.

President Linda
Freiburger chaired the meeting. Secretary treasurer Doreen McAdam gave report sheets to the district convenors to be filled in and sent on to area after the annual meeting. Roots of Bruce will be held April 10-12 for Grade 6 students in the county. The institute branches will be serving a hot meal each day to the volunteers.

Judy MacKinnon, Tweedsmuir curator, announced that the Unforgettable display at the museum has been extended until the end of April.

The District Annual will be held May 24 at the Elmwood Community Centre with Arkwright, Belmore, Bervie, Bluebell and Brant Greenock branches in charge.

Bruce County Rally will be in Tiverton on October 2. Branches from Brucedale, Burgoyne, Colpoys Bay, Eden Grove Cargill and Gillies Hill will prepare for the program as Rally Day is to be a fun day.

Guest speaker

Following lunch, Sandra Yates spoke about Habitat for Humanity. Grey Bruce Habitat for Humanity is building a home in Tara August 11-25. They are looking for volunteers to help with the building of the home, lodging for them and serving meals. There are 40-60 volunteers for the two week period.

For more information, call Yates at 934-1218 or Grey Bruce Habitat for Humanity, Box 294, Owen Sound, Ontario N4K 5P3

Women's Institutes

Bruce County District

The 4th annual meeting of Bruce County WI was held in the Elmwood Community Centre on Thursday, May 24, with host branches Arkwright, Belmore, Bervie, Bluebell and Brant Greenoch. Theme for the day was "appreciating the great outdoors."

President Linda Freiburger presided and conducted the meeting. Belmore branch was in charge of registration and 119 members attended.

Pennies for Friendship totalled \$1,419.30. Doreen MacAdam ratified the district directors for the coming year. Minutes of the 2000 financial statement, financial examiner's report, donations and correspondence were all presented by secretary treasurer MacAdam.

Committee reports were given by PRO Pat Calhoun. PAC representative MacAdam gave the report from board meeting. The board office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded to branches getting the most new members. The ACWW convention to be held in Hamilton in June has 696 full-time delegates registered.

Brant Greenoch told the group of a project they are advertising of a medical vial with your 911 number and a list of medications you are taking plus any other health problems. They presented each branch with the information. Clark Birchard, who started the Outdoor Education Centre 28 years ago in Wiarton, was guest speaker. There are 325 acres of land and Grade 6 students are there for three days for the outdoor environmental studies. The Bruce Grey Foundation is replacing the old buildings with new ones at a cost of \$2.5 million. Sixty-five schools are now attending from Grey and Bruce.

The Bruce County WI has been selling tickets on four draws with the proceeds going toward the new education centre. The winners were as follows: Garden Arbour: Les Monkmom, Kingston, Ont.; \$50 gift certificate: Pat Noble, RR1 Mar; Tartan Doll: Mike Wendt, Mildmay; Institute Rose: Judy MacKinnon, Paisley. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets for this very worthy project.

Bluebell Branch had the ladies called The Golden Tones from the Wiarton area entertain with their music.

Vicki Braeker, area president, installed the offices for the coming year.

Dates to remember: Grey Bruce Area Convention, Durham - Oct. 23, Bruce County Rally - Oct.2 in Tiverton.