

FWIO receives special award from Recycling Council

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The Outstanding Organization Award from Recycling Council of Ontario (RCO) was presented to Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO) at the RCO Awards ceremony held in Toronto April 18th. The Award states "Through education, demonstration and advocacy FWIO, in its commitment to advance reduction, reuse and recycling throughout the province of Ontario is successfully affecting public behavior. In recognition of this environmental leadership and to express the appreciation of the members of the Recycling

Council of Ontario this award is presented to FWIO by John D. Birchall, Chairman RCO.

In accepting the award, the President of FWIO, Peggy Knapp, stated she was thrilled to accept the award on behalf of the 20,000 FWIO volunteers from across the province. Their accomplishments were as diverse as the lobbying of Municipal Councils in Waste Management and Recycling to the organization of women along our country picking up and recycling waste found in ditches.

FWIO has as their theme for the decade of Women and the Environment, a theme that can suit

the diversity of interests of FWIO across the province. FWIO is committed to improve the environment they live in and not just for the present but for future generations to come. As part of that commitment their special project for 1991-92 is for every FWIO, branch, district and area, to plant at least one tree and hopefully even more than one. Not only will the planting of trees help the local community and the environment but it is a symbol that FWIO is committed to its own growth within Ontario.

FWIO is proud to be the Outstanding Organization in Ontario for its work to minimize waste.

AFS Interculture Canada looking for host families

AFS Interculture Canada, the country's most important student exchange organization, is once again launching its annual recruitment campaign. It is looking for families who are interested in sharing their life with a foreign student during the coming school year.

By hosting a young student from another country, families discover another part of the world without leaving the comfort of their own home. The father in a family who is currently hosting a young student from Thailand explains: "We are really living a unique experience, she quickly became a part of our family and, through her eyes, we are rediscovering the beauty of our world and learning about a new culture. It will be very dif-

icult to see her go home in July."

Interculture Canada's hosting program lasts 11 months and is open to all kinds of families, with or without children. The students are between 15 and 18 and come from about thirty different countries, among them Australia, Japan, Brazil and Sweden.

These young people are carefully selected in their own country so that they will be able to quickly adapt to the family with which they will be matched.

The families who decide to participate in the hosting programs are not paid, however, the satisfaction they get from such an experience is invaluable. Further, the students and their host families can count, during the entire year, on the support of the volunteers and staff at Inter-

culture Canada.

The families who are interested in living this unique experience must register without delay. There are over 275 students wanting to know the family that will be hosting them during the coming year.

AFS Interculture Canada is a not-for-profit organization whose goal is to promote intercultural understanding and international development. As a member of "AFS Intercultural Programs," it is part of the largest student exchange network in the world.

Families wishing to obtain further information can contact Eveline and David Bassie at (416) 895-5494, or the national office at this toll-free number: 1-800-361-7248.



Retirement party

Fred Piehl celebrated 25 years of labor at Smith and Stone at Trinity United Church in Acton on Saturday by cutting his retirement cake. Several friends and relatives were on hand at the event to wish him well. (Herald photo)



Seniors receive door tags

Georgetown Village Constable, Nick Leoni, handed out door tags to residents of the John Armstrong Terrace Apartments on Durham Street Thursday to launch the new program, "Seniors Watch". The program helps ensure that every resident like Daisy

Jones (accepting doortag) and Vera Farndale is checked daily to make sure they haven't fallen and can't reach the door or phone for help. (Herald photo)



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