# Your answers to questionnaire

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Dear J.W.I.O. member:

There are many matters of concern in J.W.I.O. today, and in order to be in touch with what you are thinking, we have developed this questionnarie. Please fill it out and add any comments you think will help in planning for the good of J.W.I.O. in the future. Your opinions mean a lot. Kindly return this questionnaire as soon as possible to the J.W.I.O. Secretary, Mrs. Linda A. Lammers, R.R. 1, Jordan, Ontario LOR 1SO. 1. Do you feel J.W.I.O. should drop the word "Junior"? Change the name?

No - 97 - expresses youthfulness; Jr. good distinction from F.W.I.O.

Yes -31 — Jr. is a subordinate term. Associated W.I. or Community W.I.

? - 13 - F.W.I.O. takes offense to Jr. versus Sr.

2. Would you like to see an age limit in J.W.I.O.? If so, what?

No - 97 - Leave the choice to the individual; belong where you are comfortable.

Yes — 31 — 13 - 40 years old and under

? - 13

3. We would like to increase our membership. Do you feel you can encourage a friend to join J.W.I.O.?

No — 12 Yes — 117  $^{2}-12$ 

4. Would you feel comfortable in joining an F.W.I.O. branch? If no, is it because of age difference? programming? or what?

No - 97 - age difference, program, too much formality, time of

meetings

Yes - 35 - only if no other J.W.I.O. were available

5. What do you feel are the differences between J.W.I.O. and F.W.I.O.?

F.W.I.O. has more committees, reports, structures, formality, and convenerships. There is a great difference in age, attitudes, interest. F.W.I.O. is more formal, more widely known, more complicated hierarchy.

6. It has been said that F.W.I.O. is too "structured" for a J.W.I.O. member to want to join. Do you agree? Why?

No — 22

Yes - 82

? - 19 no comment - 18

7. Would you like to see the executive prepare and distribute to each branch program suggestions for your meetings?

No — 45 Yes — 86

- 10 no comment

Mrs. Linda A. Lammers Secretary-Treasurer

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legitimate concern expressed by Canadians about violent crime cannot be effectively addressed by reintroduction of the death penalty. The Government also considers that a referendum vote is a mechanism best reserved for questions concerning constitutional matters, rather than policy matters in specific areas.

#### Resolution 9. Re — Non-refillable soft drink containers

This Resolution was forwarded to The Honourable Andrew S. Brandt, Minister of the Environment.

Mr. Brandt thanked FWIO for bringing our interest in non-refillable soft drink containers to his attention. He explained that the marketing of soft drinks is a complex issue involving many companies and organizations. The proliferation of the nonrefillable soft drink can has created problems within the industry and for the environment. These containers represent only 0.5% of the total residential waste stream produced in Ontario, but form a very visible portion of the litter found on our streets and highways. His ministry has undertaken to review the current regulations which control the marketing of soft drink containers. Specific proposals are being considered by Cabinet. Until a decision is reached, he is unable to comment further, however, the options of recycling and deposits have been carefully considered. Staff of his ministry will advise FWIO when Cabinet has reached a decision on this matter.

I also wish to report that copies of the sustained Resolutions were forwarded to Mrs. Emmie Oddie, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee for the Federated Women's Institutes

of Canada. Mrs. Oddie is interested in the Resolution relative to using heroin as an analgesic and also interested in two Resolutions sustained the previous year.

In the event that these Resolutions from Frederated Women's Institutes of Ontario could be supported by Federated Women's Institutes of Canada, I have sent Mrs. Oddie the supporting material on these Resolutions and the responses from the various Ministries.

Resolutions are one way of expressing the opinions of our organization, and should be used for the benefit of the majority. Respectfully submitted

Mrs. Keith Hiepleh, Resolutions Convener. **FWIO** 

## Emergency resolution

The following emergency resolution was presented and sustained at the FWIO semi-annual board meeting in April.

WHEREAS

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The future of Family Studies in the Schools of Ontario is being severely compromised by the Ministry of Education document O.S.I.S. (Ontario Schools: Intermediate and Senior) and

The concepts and skills taught through Family Study Classes at all levels are vital in our changing economy and society;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario request the Minister of Education for Ontario to initiate an early revision of the Document O.S.I.S. in order to implement changes which will make it easier for students to include Family Studies in their credit requirements.