



On My Mind

~ By FWIO President Carol Innes

I recently made a trip to the East Coast to attend the FWIC Board Meeting and ACWW Conference. It was a wonderful time and much was learned.

Are you aware that the FWIC Project for this triennium is Women's Heart Health? Women's symptoms of heart problems are different from those of men and are more likely to cause death as they go unnoticed. Has your Branch held a ROSE Session on Women's Heart Health? Have you sent in your ROSE Program Report Form to the Provincial Office? Pictures are always greatly appreciated. FWIC will be putting together a slide show for the National Convention in 2012, and welcome any pictures you wish to share of your participation in this project.

"Walking Across Canada" is also part of this project. The person who walks the furthest will have her Convention registration paid by FWIC. Please read Christine Reaburn's report on page 11 for more information on FWIC Competitions and the 2012 National Convention.

Do you know that you help fund the work of ACWW by taking an individual membership as well as with "Pennies for Friendship"? Many Areas take ACWW memberships at their Area Conventions. If you are an individual member, you will receive the ACWW newsletter, "Country Woman," four times per year. If you would like to attend an ACWW Triennial Conference, you will need to be an individual member. The next Triennial Conference will be held in Chennai, India from September 26 - October 2, 2013. Arthena Hecker is looking into a tour through our partner, Collette Tours. You may contact her directly if you are interested in going and want to be part of the tour. She can be reached by phone at 705-246-2377 or by email at arthena_hecker@hotmail.com.

I hope you had an enjoyable summer and are ready to begin another exciting year, working together for Home and Country.

Carol



Erland Lee Award of Appreciation

Waters WI (North Central Area) is very proud to announce that Mr. Bill Gagnon is the recipient of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada's Erland Lee Award of Appreciation. Bill is the husband of the late Julie Gagnon, a faithful, well loved Member of Waters WI for over 47 years. During Julie's many years of involvement with Waters WI, Bill always supported her endeavours and actively contributed to the Branch.

Pictured below (L-R) are Waters WI President, Norma Shore, Bill Gagnon and Past President and current District Director, Esme Rintala.



FWIO 4-H Regional Scholarships

2011 Winners

Florence P. Eadie Scholarship

Northern: Sudbury District
Awarded to Ryan Macdonald

60th Anniversary Scholarship

Eastern: Lennox & Addington District
Awarded to Courtney O'Neill

Dorothy Futcher Scholarship

Southern: Oxford District
Awarded to Paul Knoops

Hoodless Lee Scholarship

Western: Wellington-Halton District
Awarded to Jackie Shaw

