

**The Maples WI**

Members of The Maples WI (Dufferin-Peel District, Central Area) celebrated their 100th Anniversary on May 29th (the actual date the Branch was formed 100 years ago) in the newly renovated High Country United Church, north of Orangeville.

Former Members were invited along with the daughters of deceased Members and Members from other Branches in the District. About 50 guests enjoyed a delicious lunch served by the church ladies. The anniversary cake was cut by two Members, Vi Hayward (who celebrated her 100th birthday in August 2014) and Mabel Graham.

FWIO President, Evelyn Peck and Regional Board Director, Barbara Weese presented the 100 year pins to the Members. Special guest was Steve Brown, Archivist from the Dufferin County Museum who did a "show and tell" using items that brought back many wonderful and humorous memories that took place at the community hall that The Maples once owned. The Members formed a "kitchen band" and old favourite songs were sung by all. It took a "Home & Country Centennial History Book"

to stun a bumble bee that had decided to join the celebration. The bee was later released. The afternoon closed with picture taking and it was a great memorable day for all who attended.

**Bealton WI**

Bealton WI (Norfolk District, Hamilton Area) celebrated their 100th Anniversary on June 9, 2014. FWIO President, Evelyn Peck presented 16 Members and 1 youth Member with 100 year pins. The celebration was held at the Waterford Historical Agricultural Museum, with 125 attending. Local dignitaries, Members and local residents came out to hear WI Member, Marion Anderson's report of the past.

In honour of their 100th, the Branch asked Evelyn Peck to present Toby Barrett with an Associate Membership. He is a local MP who attends most meetings when he is invited. He had often commented that he wanted to be a Member because he had attended many meetings as a young lad with his grandmother, who was a very active Member. Mr. Barrett was so surprised, he was speechless.

Mr. Hollie Archer was unable to attend, but was presented with his Associate Membership at the Strawberry Social at the Erland Lee (Museum) Home.

*Pictured below (L-R): Florence Armstrong and Marion Anderson, who are both over 90 years of age.*



*Pictured Above (L-R), back row: Donna Simpson, Doris Dodwell, Nancy Robinson, Shirley Robinson, Dorothy Hilliard and Joy Trimble. Front row: Carol Butt, Vi Hayward, Mabel Graham and Pearl White-Newson. Absent: Lenore Bullock, Suzanne Rayburn and Joan Tuckey.*

