

Meet the Members



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INTRODUCING

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Kay Devlin, a long-time Member of Balderson WI (Lanark South District, Eastern Area), has found a new talent.

When Kay was 92 years old, she enrolled in an Art course and discovered an avid passion for painting which has produced colourful, original renditions of flowers, scenery, animals and birds. Her paintings are created by many interesting techniques, using acrylics, watercolours and pencils. A number of her paintings were selected by a committee of Balderson WI Members and have been used to create a 2011 calendar. The calendar was an instant success and sold out very quickly.

Kay is an active 94 year old resident of Perth Community Care Centre in Perth, Ontario. She and her husband of 63 years, Clarke, share a room there.

At 75 years of age, Kay enrolled in a Creative Writing course through the Board of Education. Since then she has written hundreds of poems, some humorous, some serious, most of which she can still recite in the spur of a moment. At 85, she took a computer course and wrote a poem about a fight with a (computer) mouse.

Kay is an inspiration to us all, keeping her mind active with her interest in life, friends and community.

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FWIO's New Two-Year Integrated Theme!

For the past two years, you have been busy "getting involved" with the current FWIO theme, but now it's time to embark on something new!

The new BACK 2 BASICS theme was recently announced and information was sent out in March to all Branch Secretaries. There are countless ways that you can get BACK 2 BASICS, and the Branch Guide includes various tools and ideas to help get you started!

WI is an historic organization with a modern vision. This means that BACK 2 BASICS has 2 areas of focus – past and present – as we work towards creating a vibrant future. Whether it's hosting a short course on a lost skill or having a Member of your Branch teach everyone about the basics of computers, the possibilities are endless! Start off by identifying the interests and needs of your Branch and community and then have FUN putting your ideas into action!

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Check out the FWIO Facebook Group and the new FWIO website (www.fwio.on.ca) for more information and updates on our new theme. Don't forget to share how your Branch is taking part by sending in stories and photos to the FWIO Provincial Office or by emailing them to roseprogram@fwio.on.ca.

Keep in touch and have fun getting BACK 2 BASICS!

