

Happy 115th Anniversary, Women's Institute!

On February 19, 2012, Women's Institute celebrated its 115th Anniversary! See how some Branches and Districts celebrated!



Chapman WI

After singing the Institute Carol at their February Branch Meeting, the Members of Chapman WI (Hastings District, Trent Valley Area) included

time at 3:00pm for tea and cake in honour of WI's 115th Anniversary. Pictured (L-R) are Margaret Coulson, Jean Wrightman, Margaret Inwood, Louise Wannamaker, Vice President Lena James (holding the cake), Pam Rogers, Jennie Palmateer, Monica Maines and Carole Herbertson.



Navan WI

On February 19th, Verna Cotton, Navan WI Tweedsmuir Curator, invited past and present WI Members to her home for an afternoon Tea to celebrate WI's 115th Anniversary. A delightful time was spent enjoying salmon mousse, cake and tea, served by Verna's nieces, Betty Nielands and Jessie Wall. Verna now has the updated version of the Tweedsmuir Histories, put together by Bonnie Sastri. It has a wealth of stories about Navan and its residents. Navan WI belongs to Russell District, Eastern Area.

Thunder Bay District

Members of Thunder Bay

District (Northwestern Area) held a "Come and Go" Tea Party on February 19th to mark 115 years of Women's Institute. Invitations were extended to other Branches and to the general public. Even with a wicked snowstorm, 30 people attended!



North Grey WI

On February 19th, seven Members of North Grey WI (Grey North District, Grey-Bruce Area) namely, Ada Haasnoot, Carol Davenport, Penny Fenwick, Anne Woods, Cathy Snider, Doreen Weaver and Myrna Casemore gathered at the Harrison Park Inn in Owen Sound for tea, coffee and refreshments. Photographs were taken of the Members wearing their hats. Penny Fenwick brought old WI photos for viewing, which originated from Penny's aunt, Audrey Spence of the Annan WI. Interesting, informative conversation and delicious desserts were enjoyed. What a fun, relaxing and enjoyable way to spend an afternoon with WI friends!

Look for more celebration stories in the next issue of the Home & Country ROSE Garden!

