



## Silver-Wood WI Presents New Award

Doris Calder presents the new 'Ben Case Award' to Matthew Williamson at the Halton 4-H Awards Night in November 2013. This new award is sponsored by the Silver-Wood WI (Guelph Area) to recognize a 4-H member who demonstrates a positive, determined, and consistent effort while aiming to reach their 4-H goals and who displays a keen club spirit, is mindful of others, and strives to be the best they can be.

Ben Case, a long-time resident of the Silvercreek and Wildwood communities, was a loyal supporter and friend of the Silver-Wood WI for many years. Upon his death, Ben left a bequest to the Branch and it was decided a 4-H award in his memory would be a fitting tribute to Silver-Wood's only honorary male member.



*Pictured (L-R): Doris Calder and Matthew Williamson.*

## St. Pauls WI Donates Stuffed Animals

For the past few years, the Members of St. Pauls WI (London Area) have brought stuffed animals to their December meeting. The items are donated to the House of Blessing and the local Salvation Army to be distributed to children in the area.



*Pictured (L-R) at their Christmas meeting with the soon to be donated stuffed animals: Marilyn Good, Miriam Dunbar, Vera Pflance, Ruth Coulthard, Marie Bean, Marlene Coulthard, Roberta Dundas, Doreen VanWestrop, Colleen Coulthard, Elsie Coulthard, Brenda Watson, Libby Wright and Jessie Scheuermann.*

## Norfolk District Features Display at Local Fair

Norfolk District WI (Hamilton Area) had a display at the Norfolk County Fair with the tagline: "We do more than drink tea!" Their Norfolk map shows the location of the District's 9 Branches, while the items on display depict some of their activities, such as making bears and lap robes for their service providers, offering short courses of interest, recognizing women of excellence in agriculture, publishing and documenting community history, offering an annual scholarship and providing a forum for local issues to be aired. The District is very proud of all of its Members and its history and contributions to home and country.



*Pictured: Norfolk District featured a beautiful display at the Norfolk County Fair. What a great way to "stay in the public eye and promote WI!"*

## Perth County Branches Donate to the Lee

It was with great delight that the 15 Branches of Perth County gave a donation of \$500 to the Erland Lee (Museum) Home. It was their wish that the funds be used to purchase a digital cash register for the gift shop. The 15 Branches are comprised of Carlingford, Elm Grove, Goulds, Glen Gowrie, Kirkton, Motherwell and St. Pauls WI's (Perth South District); Gravelridge, Hampstead, Kuhryville and Maple Leaf WI's (Perth Centre District); Donegal, Gowanstown Peace, Lily Dempsey and Listowel West WI's (Perth North District).

The 100th International Plowing Match (IPM) was held in Mitchell, Ontario from September 17-21, 2013. WI Members from Perth County hosted a respite tent in the IPM's "Tented

City", offering free daily basket draws, with 3 Branches filling a basket each day worth a minimum of \$75. Over 300 people enjoyed the WI's hospitality on each day of the IPM.



*Pictured are Perth County Members of the 2013 Women's Institute International Plowing Match Committee. Seated in front in grey vests are committee co-chairs, Winnie Trachsel, Marion Urquhart and Pauline Crawford.*