

2006-2009 Tweedsmuir Competitions

In 1945, Lady Tweedsmuir, wife of Lord Tweedsmuir who was Governor General of Canada, donated three silver cups to the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada for competitions to be held each triennium. The trophies, with award winner's names, are displayed at the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead.

The theme for this triennium is Women Involved, Women Inspired, Can Achieve Anything. Here are the categories.

Cultural Competition – Essay on “The Woman Who Inspired Me”		
Regulations:	Points:	
Essay must be 500-700 words	Story Content	60
Handwritten or typed and double spaced	Originality	20
Put in a folder or duo-tang	Cover	10
Name and Branch must be attached in sealed envelope	Neatness/Presentation	10
Handicrafts Competition – Hooked Rug		
Regulations:	Points:	
Traditional Rug Hooking Techniques (strips of fabric or yarn pulled with a hook through a foundation fabric to make loops on top). No latch or punch hooking. Size 20" to 24" wide and 30" to 36" long (finished size). Design may be original, commercial or an adaptation. (Copyright notice: when adapting someone else's design - eg. rug pattern, painting, greeting card, photograph, etc., you must obtain permission from the original artist or publisher and include with entry). Work must be created in 2006-2009. Name, Branch and type of design attached in sealed envelope.	Craftsmanship: Technique	30
	Finishing	15
	Design	25
	Colour	15
	General Appearance	15
History Competition - Pictorial History that tells of “90 Years of Women Achieving”		
Regulations:	Points:	
Minimum of 5, maximum of 10 pages.	Content	60
Page size no larger than 12" x 12". Scrapbook or album no larger than 14" x 14".	Artistic presentation of historical material	20
Words or phrases can be used to enhance, explain or date.	Originality	20
Name and Branch attached in sealed envelope.		

Anyone winning the same category of the Tweedsmuir Competition for three consecutive trienniums is ineligible to compete in the following triennium. Successful entrants will receive “keeper trophies” (small replicas) at the FWIC Convention in Prince Edward Island in June 2009. **Competition entries are to be sent no later than November 30, 2008 to Elsie Stephenson, 268 Regional Road 10, Whitefish ON, P0M 3E0**



FWIC - Into The North

FWIO has chosen “Club Amick”, the fourth phase of the Lieutenant-Governor's literacy initiative for young aboriginal readers in fly-in communities in Northern Ontario. This project is administered through the Southern Ontario Library Service (SOLS). Donations can be mailed to Southern Ontario Library Service, 111 Peter St. Suite 902, Toronto, ON M5V 2H1. On the memo line put “Club Amick Young Aboriginal Readers' Program”. It is vital that Members, Branches, Districts and Areas let Elsie Stephenson know how much money they have donated in order to track the donations. Elsie's contact information can be found on page 2.