

**"Keeping Our
FWIO ROSES
Blooming"**

**- a message from
the ROSE Coordinator**

At the ROSE Forum last summer we asked for topics for the upcoming Home & Country articles. One comment was "There is too much about ROSE and not enough emphasis on WI". I do hope that by now, all members realize that "ROSE" is just another name for "Education", and that education of women for the betterment of their families and communities was the reason that WI was started. The change is that we now have our partners and their material for our programs. It should not be forgotten that there are a wealth of program ideas using our ROSE partners who are always willing to assist small and large groups. It is important that we continue to use these groups for Community Health Days, monthly meetings, District Annuals and Area conventions. It is by partnering with these organizations that we are able to apply for the much sought after grants to continue our programs.

As ROSE coordinator it is my job to offer ideas for Branch, District and Area programming. In this issue, you will find a variety of ROSE Programming ideas. They can be identified by the light bulb graphic and title "Good Idea".



Please keep this issue safe and use the ideas when you plan your programs next spring. Of course, you can get even more ideas on the website at www.fwio.on.ca. Please forward your tips, comments or questions to roseprogram@fwio.on.ca.

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Willing, Enthusiastic volunteers to hold the following positions:

President-Elect

Board Directors – Northern, Southern, Eastern and Western

Coordinators – Membership, Advocacy, ROSE, Tweedsmuir

REWARD – An opportunity to share experiences, learn new skills and meet WI Members from across the province. This is your chance to laugh, learn and make a difference!

Positions to be nominated at Area Conventions. Contact the Provincial Office for current roles, responsibilities and applications.



Guelph Area WI Helps 4-H Celebrate!

Guelph Area WI and 4-H hosted an awareness day and 90th birthday celebration at Country Heritage Park (near Milton). The program was jam-packed with fun, family activities like Rug Braiding, Tatting, House Logs and Petit Point. The Halton Mounted Pony Games 4-H Club and the 4-H Rabbit Club were also on hand for the festivities. WI Members were busy promoting FWIO and hosted a 1915 Women's Institute Tea in the afternoon. ROSE Program Partners were also on hand providing valuable information to attendees. 4-H Ontario is dedicated to the personal growth of young people by developing their self-confidence and teaching them skills in leadership, public speaking and team building. It certainly was a great day for everyone!

WI Member Pat Salter enjoys the 1915's WI Tea



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