

Provincial Calendar of Events, 2003

- Aug. 18 – FWIO Board Meeting/Budget Review
Aug. 19-21 – FWIO Board Meeting
Aug. 22 – Personnel Meeting
Nov. 24 – Handbook Committee
Nov. 25-27 – FWIO Board Meeting



Erland Lee (Museum) Home Events, 2003

- July – Creative Memories Workshop
Create colourful and professional keepsake photographs for your family.
- Sept. – TBA – Central Ontario Artists' Association Paint-Out at the Lee
- Sept. 27 – Antique Examination Day and Luncheon
Take lunch and have an antique examined by the Museum's appraisers.
- Oct. 1-31 – 11th Annual Local Art Show and Sale
Over 100 works of art from local area artists are on display and for sale at the Museum.
- Nov. 11-28 – The Tragedy of War
New historical artifacts from the Gordon Lee Collection will be unveiled.
- Nov. – TBA – Wentworth County Quilt Documentation Project at the Lee
- Dec. 2-21 – Victorian Country Christmas
- Dec. – TBA – Stoney Creek Historical Society's 12th Christmas House Tour

For more information about the above events at the Lee Home contact Curator Michael Gemmill at 552 Ridge Rd., Stoney Creek ON L8J 2Y6, Phone: 905-662-2691. Or check out the website at www.fwio.on.ca/fwio/events.html

Adelaide Hoodless Homestead

Please note the hours that the Homestead is open for the upcoming season from May 15 through Sept. 1.
Closed – Monday
Tues. – Sat. – 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Call ahead for large tours. Off season by appointment. Call 519-448-1130.

Hospitality Homes

Are you planning a vacation? Remember, Hospitality Homes in Ontario are open to all WI members and their companions for \$10 per night per person. To obtain a list of Homes, send three 48 cent stamps to Gillian Catto at Box 16, Site 14, RR 1, Whitefish ON P0M 3E0, Phone: 705-866-0253, Email: gilcat@sympatico.ca

FWIO Open Annual Meeting - 2004

The FWIO Open Annual Meeting will be held at the Kempenfelt Conference Centre in Barrie in January 2004. The 43 evaluations of the 2003 Annual Meeting were overwhelmingly positive. Watch for more details about the 2004 Annual Meeting in future issues of the *Home & Country* newsletter and in Board Briefings.

Provincial Positions Open

At the upcoming FWIO Annual Meeting in January 2004, the following provincial level positions are open for election:

- President-Elect
- Regional Board Director – Southern
- Regional Board Director – Western
- Membership Coordinator

The roles and responsibilities and application forms for these positions can be obtained by calling the FWIO Provincial Office at 519-836-3078. Remember, Districts are responsible for securing nominations for a Provincial Advisory Councillor for their District Annual, to be presented at the Area Convention for election.

4th Line Theatre to Remount For Home and Country

The FWIO Provincial Board negotiated with Robert Winslow, Artistic Director of the 4th Line Theatre, an outdoor theatre company in Millbrook, Ontario, to remount the play *For Home and Country* written by Toronto playwright Leanne Brodie. The moving and entertaining performance tells the story of a divorced, urban mother who returns to her family's rural home area and develops a close friendship with an older resident – a member of the Women's Institute (WI). Through a combination of comedy, song and drama, *For Home and Country* explores community and belonging while uncovering the history of the WI.

Dates: August 6 to 17, Wednesday to Sunday, with an additional performance on Tuesday, August 12

Time: Show time is 6:00 p.m.

Cost: The Board also negotiated a special price of \$18.50, but only if you identify yourself as a WI member and purchase group tickets.

Phone: 4th Line Theatre Company at 1-800-814-0055

Take a look at the President's Letter that came in your Annual Branch Mailing for more information.

FWIO Conference 2004 Competitions

For details of the FWIO Conference 2004 Competitions refer to page 12 of the Spring 2003 issue of the *Home & Country* newsletter. The 2004 Conference Committee give thanks to all members who completed the questionnaire at the 2002 Conference. The response was overwhelming and the 2004 Competitions reflect some of your ideas. Please consider submitting entries to the competitions and attending next year's Conference.

Campaign to Restore the Macdonald Institute

The University of Guelph is mounting a campaign to raise \$18 million for a total restoration of the Macdonald Institute. Many Women's Institute members have benefited from the work of the home economists over the years as participants in short courses and train-the-trainer programs and as 4-H leaders. Those who wish to express their gratitude may send a personal donation to help restore Macdonald Institute. Individuals, Branches, Districts or Areas can send their donation to Tim Mau, Senior Manager of Development, College of Social and Applied Human Sciences, University of Guelph, Guelph, ON N1G 2W1. Make the cheque payable to the University of Guelph and note "Restoration of Macdonald Institute" on the memo line. Receipts will be issued for tax purposes.

Erland Lee (Museum) Home Quilt Challenge

The Erland Lee (Museum) Home Committee is presenting the following Quilt Challenge to members across Ontario.

Quilt Block Size - 12 1/2 x 12 1/2 inches
Colours - medium blue, dusty rose and white
Pattern - choice of participant

Note - please do not quilt the block

Deadline - Sept. 30, 2003

Destination - Please send the quilt block, with your name and address, to Regina Wagter at 2067 Hwy. 3 E, RR 8, Dunnville ON N1A 2W7.

Quilts and pillows will be assembled and tickets will be sold for \$2 or three for \$5. The time and place of the draw to be announced.

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