

I was appointed to the position of ROSE Coordinator (formerly the Education Coordinator) at the FWIO Annual Meeting in January. Unfortunately in absentia as I was suffering from a severe "back attack." So I would like to take this opportunity to greet all my fellow members in FWIO. Many of you may recognize my name as the Hospitality Homes Coordinator.



I recently looked up the definition of education in my Webster's dictionary. I quote: "Instruction or training by which people learn to develop and use their mental, moral and physical powers." After that one I looked up coordinate; it read: "To bring the parts or agents or plan, process, etc., into a common whole, to harmonize." I hope that over my time in office I will be able to live up to these lofty goals!

As I have had little time to gather information for a column, I will suggest the following program ideas. Since February is International Month and the next Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) meeting will be held in Tasmania in March 2004, why not plan an Australian night? Invite a member of your community who has been there to give a talk or show slides. Gather information from the library or from Australian websites. Use Australian city names, birds or animals in your Roll Call. Serve some sort of Australian food for lunch. Take the opportunity to invite a friend or neighbour to your meeting. The possibilities are endless for a fun meeting! For those of you who do not have access to a computer and prefer to use snail mail or the phone, here are some resources to complement Joan King's programming ideas outlined in the Winter issue.

- Chicken Farmers of Ontario - 3380 South Service Rd., Box 5035, Burlington ON L7R 3Y8, Phone: 905-637-0025, Fax: 905-637-3464
- Dairy Farmers of Ontario - 6780 Campobello Rd., Mississauga ON L5N 2L8, Phone: 905-821-8970, Fax: 905-821-3160
- Fresh Potato Growers of Ontario - 570 Brant St., Burlington ON L7R 2G2, Phone: 905-637-5609, Fax: 905-637-7653
- Ontario Apple Marketing Commission - 7195-B Millcreek Dr., Mississauga ON L5N 3R3
- Ontario Asparagus Growers' Marketing Board - 71C Front St. W., Strathroy ON N7G 1X6, Phone: 519-246-1640, Fax: 519-246-1634
- Ontario Bean Producers' Marketing Board - 4206 Rancy Cres., London ON N6L 1C3, Phone: 519-652-3566, Fax: 519-652-9607
- Ontario Broiler Hatching Egg and Chick Commission - Suite 213, 251 Woodlawn Rd. W. Guelph ON N1H 8J1, Phone: 519-837-0005, Fax: 519-837-0464
- Ontario Canola Growers' Association - 137 Inkerman St. W., Listowel ON N4W 1B8, Phone: 519-291-4811, Fax: 519-291-5111
- Ontario Coloured Bean Growers' Association - RR 5, Mitchell ON N0K 1N0, Phone: 519-348-4141, Fax: 519-348-8165
- Ontario Egg Producers' Marketing Board - 7195 Millcreek Dr., Mississauga ON L5N 4H1, Phone: 905-858-9790, Fax: 905-858-1589
- Ontario Fresh Grape Growers' Marketing Board - P.O. Box 100, Vineland Station ON L0R 2E0, Phone: 905-688-0990, Fax: 905-688-3211
- Ontario Grape Growers' Marketing Board - same as above
- Ontario Greenhouse Vegetable Producers' Marketing Board - 139 Oak St. W., Leamington ON N8H 2B8, Phone: 519-326-2604, 1-800-265-6926, Fax: 519-326-7842

- Ontario Pork - 15 Waulron St., Etobicoke ON M9C 5H3, Phone: 416-621-1874, Fax: 416-621-6869
- Ontario Potato Growers' Marketing Board - 570 Brant St., Burlington ON L7R 2G8, Phone: 905-637-5609, Fax: 905-637-7653
- Ontario Seed Corn Growers' Marketing Board - 785 St. Clair St. Ext., RR 7, Chatham ON N7M 5J7, Phone: 519-352-6710, Fax: 519-352-0526
- Ontario Sheep Marketing Agency - 130 Malcolm Rd., Guelph ON N1K 1B1, Phone: 519-836-0043, Fax: 519-824-9101
- Ontario Soybean Growers' Marketing Board - Box 1199, Chatham ON N7M 5L8, Phone: 519-352-7730, Fax: 519-352-8983
- Ontario Tender Fruit Producers' Marketing Board - P.O. Box 100, Vineland Station ON N7M 5L8, Phone: 905-688-0990, Fax: 905-688-3211
- Ontario Turkey Producers' Marketing Board - 60 New Dundee Rd., RR 2, Kitchener ON N2G 3W5, Phone: 519-748-9636, Fax: 519-748-2742
- Ontario Vegetable Growers' Marketing Board - 435 Consortium Court, London ON N6E 2S8, Phone: 519-681-1875, Fax: 519-685-5719
- Ontario Wheat Producers' Marketing Board - Box 668, Chatham ON N7M 5K8, Phone: 519-354-4430, Fax: 519-354-0675
- Ontario Tomato Seedling Growers' Marketing Board - Box 157, Leamington ON N8H 3W2, Phone: 519-326-4481, Fax: 519-326-3413

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Profile

Meet Gillian Catto, Your New ROSE Coordinator

Gillian Catto is from Whitefish near Sudbury, where she lives with her husband Bob, a structural engineer. They have lived for 32 years in a converted log, one-room schoolhouse on the bank of the Vermillion River. Gillian trained as an RN in London, England, and as a Midwife in London and Bristol, England. She worked as a Midwife in Bristol for two years before emigrating to Canada in 1966. Gillian has two children; Malcolm, an engineer, and Vanessa, a High School Art Teacher.

Until her retirement four years ago, Gillian worked in a busy Labour and Delivery Unit in a hospital in Sudbury. At the same time she and her husband ran a small hobby farm for 15 years until their children went off to university.

Gillian has been a Women's Institute member for more than 30 years, most of it with the Penage Road Branch. She was a FWIO Board Director in 1988 and 1989 and FWIO Resolutions Convenor for four years. She created and has maintained the Hospitality Homes Registry since 1989. Gillian's community work includes 15 years with the Cub and Beaver Programs of Scouts Canada, five years leading a 4-H Club and six years as a Community Food Advisor.

Reading, sewing, quilting, acrylic painting, skiing and snowshoeing are among her hobbies. In summer, she loves to garden and sail in the North Channel of Lake Huron. Gillian has travelled extensively worldwide and hopes to continue to do so. Gillian is a breast cancer survivor and extremely happy to be here!

