# **For Your Information**

### Provincial Calendar of Events, 2002-2003

Oct. 1-31 - 10th Annual Local Artist Show & Sale at the Lee

Nov. 9-10 - "A Family Lost, A Home Created," The Erland Lee Home Remembers

Nov. 22-23 - Community Quilt Documentation Workshop at the Lee

Nov. 25-27 - FWIO Board Meeting, Guelph Dec. 3-23 - A Victorian Country Christmas at the

Jan. 13, 2003 - FWIO Board Meeting, Barrie For more information about the above events at the Lee Home contact Curator Michael Gemmell 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

## FWIO Supplies - New Products

- Computer Screen Sweeps \$3.50
  - soft brush removes dust from computer screen and glass
- Zippy Letter Opener \$3.50
  - opens mail and doubles as a magnet
- Measuring Tape \$5 2 meters or 6 ft. Buy all three of the above for \$10.
- Suitcases with FWIO Logo \$55
  - airline travel bag; pull along, backpack or shoulder; 600D oxford nylon, black in colour with yellow logo; too bulky to mail, pick up
- 2002 FWIO Provincial Conference Pin \$5
- 2002 Christmas Ornament "Ten Lords a Leaping" - \$5

Place your order today! Call the FWIO Provincial Office at 519-836-3078

### Sale, Sale, Sale!

The prices of the following items from the FWIO Supply List have been slashed.

- · For Home and Country: The Centennial History of the Women's Institutes of Ontario - \$15 for unmailed copies; \$20 if mailed from Provincial Office
- Garden Series of 4 Note Cards \$2.50 for unmailed cards; \$3 if mailed
- From This Place: Recollections of the Lives of Women in the 20th Century - \$15 for unmailed copies; \$17.50 if mailed

This sale is in effect until December 31, 2002. Do your Christmas shopping early. Place an order today while quantities last!

#### FWIO Open Annual Meeting - Jan. 14, 2003

This is the date for the FWIO Open Annual Meeting to be held at the Kempenfeldt Conference Centre in Barrie. Workshops for FWIO Officers will be held on Jan. 15, 2003.

Cost of Open Annual - \$33 - includes lunch, breaks and an annual report

Deadline for Registration - Dec. 13, 2002 Same Day Registration - Cost - \$10 (no meals or annual report)

Note: In order to arrange meals for busloads and large groups, advance registration is required. Only those who preregister will receive an agenda, an annual report and meals. To register call the FWIO Provincial Office at 519-836-3078.

#### **Provincial Positions Open**

At the upcoming FWIO Annual Meeting in January 2003, the following provincial level positions are open for election:

- Regional Board Directors 1per region
- Lobbying Coordinator
- Tweedsmuir Coordinator
- Executive Officer to FWIC
- ROSE rural ontario sharing education (Education) Coordinator

The roles and responsibilities of the first four positions can be obtained from the Provincial Office by calling 519-836-3078. See page 8 for the ROSE Coordinator's job description.

### **Provincial Office Notes**

- · Christmas Shutdown Please make note that the FWIO Provincial Office will be closed starting December 23, 2002, through to January 5, 2003. Regular office hours will resume on January 6, 2003. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the FWIO Office staff!
- Regional 4-H Scholarships These applications are available from your District Secretary.

## Wanted - ACWW Countrywoman Magazines

Dr. Linda Ambrose, author of For Home and Country: The Centennial History of the Women's Institutes of Ontario, is in search of old copies of the ACWW Countrywoman magazine. Anyone wishing to donate their collection please contact her at: Linda Ambrose, History Department, Laurentian University, 935 Ramsey Lake Rd., Sudbury ON P3E 2C6, Phone: 705-675-1151, ext. 4201, Email: lambrose@laurentian.ca

# Royal Agricultural Winter Fair

#### Volunteers are needed!

Who better to talk about the impact of the Women's Institute in communities and recruit new



members than our own members! The Royal Agricultural Winter Fair (RAWF) Committee invites you to the organization's interactive booth this year. There are still some spaces left for groups of both 3 and 4. Each volunteer will work shifts from 12:00 p.m. (noon) until close, and continue the next day from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (noon). Overnight accommodation and free parking is provided. Call Kelly Marshall-Rutherford at 519-836-3078 before Oct. 18 if you are interested in volunteering.

### Recognizing the contributions of women at the Royal!

Since 1996, FWIO has presented an award of excellence in agriculture to deserving women during the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. This year, the award has been enhanced to better describe the winner and is now known as the "Woman of Excellence in Agriculture Award The criteria has been changed to include women currently or previously involved in agriculture at the RAWF. Also new this year, the winner will be the guest of honour at FWIO's table and recognized during an award presentation at the RAWF President's Luncheon on Nov. 11. For more information contact FWIO's Marketing & Resource Development Director Kelly Marshall-Rutherford at 519-836-3078.

#### **Donations List**

Please note the following motion passed at the August 2002 FWIO Board Meeting: That the Donations List currently printed in the Home & Country newsletter be printed as an annual insert in the newsletter. This insert will be included in the Winter 2002-2003 newletter and will print all donations received since April 25, 2002, to the fiscal year end, September 30, 2002. All donations prior to April 25, 2002, have already been listed in the Home & Country.

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