Provincial Calendar of Events, 2001

Apr. 7 - Maple Syrup Day at the Lee Home

May 3 - Erland & Janet Lee Day at the Lee Home

May 8 – Bus Trip, Russian Exhibit, Hoodless Homestead

May 20 - Queen Victoria's Birthday Celebrations at the Lee Home with Kids Crafts and Games

May 27 - Vintage Lace, Linen & Needlework, Hoodless Homestead

June 1-2 - June Days, An ACWW History Exhibit and Fundraising Luncheon at the Lee Home

June 11-18 - ACWW 2001 Conference, Hamilton Convention Centre

June 11-15 - Special Events at the Lee Home During ACWW 2001 Conference

June 24 - J & J's Roadshow, Spring Event, Hoodless Homestead

July 1 - Dominion Day Activities for Kids at the Lee Home with Crafts and Games

July 9 - Board Teleconference

Aug. 5 - Simcoe Day at the Lee with Ontario's and Lee Family's Heritage Celebrated

Aug. 13-15 - Board Meeting

Sept. 11 - Harvest Roadshow- Antique Appraisal and Luncheon at the Lee Home

Sept. 24 - Board Teleconference

Oct. 1-31 - 9th Annual Local Artist Show & Sale at the Lee Home

Nov. 10 - Heritage Workshop at the Lee

Nov. 26-28 - Board Meeting

Dec. 2- Christmas Open House, Hoodless Homestead

Dec. 4-23 - Christmas at the Lee Home

For more information on the Erland Lee (Museum) Home events call 905-662-2691.

Call the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead at 519-448-1130.

FWIO Display Boards

As of March 31, 2001, the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) will no longer be providing portable exhibit booking support to organizations. The future of the Women's Institute exhibits will be discussed at the March Board meeting. Watch for more details in the March Board Briefings.

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Tweedsmuirs Nominated for Award

Canada's National History Society established an award in 1994 for distinguished achievement in popularizing Canadian history. Canadian writer and popular author Pierre Berton was the first recipient and agreed to have his name associated with the award.

Individuals or organizations that have helped popularize Canadian history, through such means as publications, film, radio and television, theatre or volunteer service may be nominated. Upon the suggestion of a member, Board agreed that it would be appropriate to nominate the work of Women's Institute members in preserving local history in the form of Tweedsmuir History Books.

Has your Branch, District or Area Tweedsmuir Curator been recognized by their community, historical or genealogical society, museum or library (etc) for their work on preserving local histories? If so, please send your news clipping or article of this occasion to Janine Roelens-Grant at Box 135, Clifford ON NOG 1M0. This material can be used to support the main application in recognition of the value of Tweedsmuirs and is needed by May 10, 2001.

National - FWIO Executive Officer to FWIC

As reported by the FWIO Executive Officer to FWIC at the FWIO Annual Meeting in January, FWIC wishes to survey the Branches about their understanding of the role of the national organization. To this end, all Provincial Advisory Councillors (PACs) are requested to ask three questions at the Spring District Annuals:

- 1. How relevant is FWIC to members?
- 2. How relevant is FWIC to Branches?
- 3. What can FWIC do for you?

PAC will record the feedback, which is to be forwarded to the FWIO Provincial Office, not the FWIC Office as suggested in the January Board Briefings.

Volunteers Needed

Last November it was difficult to rally enough volunteers to help staff the WI Booth at the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair. Only 25 volunteers were mustered when we needed at least 40. This meant longer hours in the Booth; many had to staff it for more than one day. To allow for travel time, the shift was from noon one day

to noon the next, with overnight accommodition provided. Help us continue with this grepublic relations event for the WI and volunteer your time. Contact the current Chair of the RAWF Booth, Donna Willows, today. She can be reached at 519-393-6455.

Betty Veitch, former Chair, RAWF Booth Committee

The Senator Cairine Wilson Competition

The Senator Cairine Wilson Rose Bowl Trophy was first awarded in 1957 for the most outstanding project in citizenship. The previous Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (FWIC) Triennium recognized citizens of the past. With a new century in a new millennium, FWIC wishes its members to project into the future.

The Competition is open to individual WI members. Each provincial unit of FWIC may submit one entry. Provinces will be responsible for their own competitions and eliminations. The Competition guidelines are as follows:

Theme: The Competition for the 2000 to 2003 Triennium will be a Collage in any medium – fabric, paper, photographs, etc. – depicting change achieved by women through education and communication. The theme is "Women Weaving Threads of Tomorrow."

Size: Maximum - 30 x 30 inches (or 75 x 75 cr Minimum - 20 x 20 inches (or 50 x 50 cm) Or any size or shape in-between.

Other Criteria:

- the collage must be flat and mounted, but not framed
- · the collage may be laminated
- a legend must accompany the collage as a separate unit, typed or legibly hand written and double-spaced
- name and address of entrant and her Institute Branch should be enclosed in a sealed envelope and attached to the back of the collage

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Note: Provincial units will be advised at a later date where to send their winning entry and by what date.

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