Provincial Calendar of Events

Apr. 13 - Board Teleconference

May 6 - Hands-on-Craft Day at the Erland Lee (Museum) Home

May 7 - June 1 - Women's Art Association Exhibit at the Lee

May 15-16 - On Site Board Meeting (on site meetings are held at the Provincial Office)

May 20-21 - Queen Victoria's Birthday Celebration at the Lee

May 28 - Spring Event at the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead

June 22 - Board Teleconference

June 23-24 - June Luncheon and Antique Appraisal at the Lee (only items small enough to carry; no furniture please)

July 1 - Dominion Day at the Lee

Aug. 19 - Unveiling of History of Stoney Creek Exhibit at the Lee

Aug. 21-22 - On Site Board Meeting

Sept. 14 - Board Teleconference

Sept. 17 - Harvest Day at the Hoodless Homestead

Sept. 19-20 - Harvest Luncheon at the Lee

Oct. 1-31 - Art Show and Sale at the Lee

Nov. 20-21 - On Site Board Meeting

Dec. 3 - Christmas Open House at the Hoodless Homestead

Jan. 15 & 17, 2001 - Off Site Board Meeting Jan. 16, 2001 - FWIO Annual Meeting - Open

Feb. 27, 2001 - Annual Birthday Tea at the Hoodless Homestead

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

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

A Reminder to Grey-Bruce Area

Women's Institute members from the Grey-Bruce Area are to provide crafts for the Erland Lee (Museum) Home in 2000. Please note that the Lee has an abundance of candles and needlepoint crafts. Donations of preserves and knitted clothes (sweaters/baby clothes) would provide a variety of items for sale in the gift shop. Send items to the Lee Home at 552 Ridge Rd., Stoney Creek ON L8J 2Y6, Phone: 905-662-2691, Fax: 905-662-2045.

Wanted - New Hospitality Homes

While revising the Hospitality Homes List, it became apparent that there are several Subdivisions with either no or few names listed. Hospitality Homes from all Subdivisions are welcome. Anyone interested in being on this List, contact Hospitality Homes Coordinator Gillian Catto at Box 16, Site 14, RR 1, Whitefish ON POM 3EO, Phone: 705-866-0253.

Remember, Hospitality Homes in Ontario are open to all Women's Institute members and their travelling companions for \$10 per night per person. To obtain a list, send three 46 cent stamps to Gillian.

Attention Emailers!

Send an email to majordomo@tdg.ca to become part of Ontario's agricultural email network called OntAg. "OntAg is hosted free of charge by http://www.eharvest.com for the benefit of farmers and the agriculture industry." It opens a world of opinion that we, as WI members, can share. It also gives us an opportunity as rural women to offer opinion and ideas. WI could well become an active part of this network process. Another idea from your Public Relations Coordinator. Try it!

Attention WI Tour Organizers

There has been considerable interest from WI Branches outside the St. George area to plan day-trips to visit the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead. With this in mind, Curator Sue Doiron is now coordinating one and two-day trips for the year 2000. In addition to a visit to the Homestead, the village of St. George offers Victorian architecture, quaint tea rooms and unique gift shops. There are numerous sites and activities within a 5 to 20 minute proximity of the Homestead. They include: apple orchards; ginseng farms; a jewelery company; antique and pottery shops; factory outlets (including Mary Maxims); architectural walking tours; and, boat rides on the Grand River.

If you are interested, contact Sue Doiron. She can be reached at the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead, 359 Blue Lake Rd., St. George ON NOE 1NO, Phone: 519-448-1130.

Have You Noticed!

Have you noticed any change in this Sprin issue from previous editions? Yes, it is brighter! And that is because it is now being printed on better quality paper stock - 50 lb book. Signal Star Publishing based in Goderich is now printing the Home & Country. They are offering us better quality paper - that is still recyclable with no overall increase in the cost of printing, packaging and distributing the newsletter. Let me know what you think.

Corrections to Note

Please make the following corrections to the address list on page 2 of the Winter 1999-2000 issue of Home & Country:

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A Note from the Editor

Several years ago, a notice printed in the Home & Country asked for poems written by Women's Institute members or about the WI. Many thanks to all who sent poems to the Provincia Office. For various reasons, the idea to compile the poetry book was shelved. Once again, the idea was revived last summer at a Marketing Committee Meeting. However, it is the Board's decision that the compilation of a poetry book using the poems collected several years ago is not feasible. Sorry for the anticipation and any inconvenience this may have caused those who made submissions. The poems remain on file at the FWIO Provincial Office.

Don't be so serious

You never really learn to swear until you learn to drive.

Two wrongs are only the beginning.

The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.

The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.

A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.

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