

Flare Volunteer Awards

The Flare Volunteer Awards celebrate the volunteer achievements and significant contributions of five Canadian women who have made a difference to the lives of people in their community. Women who were aged 18 to 49 in 1998 and are residents of Canada are eligible. The deadline for submitting the official application is the end of February each year. Applications can be obtained from the FWIO Provincial Office or by accessing the Flare website at www.flare.com

Branch Members Take Note

In addition to reviewing information in Board Briefings, remind Branch members of the following information items from previous issues of *Home & Country* and elsewhere:

From the Winter 1998-99 issue:

- many points of clarification in the President's Caring & Sharing column, page 3
- Directory, page 2
- FWIC Competition Deadlines, page 10
- Competition Guidelines, page 10
- FWIO International Exchange Guidelines, page 12
- For Your Information, page 16

From the Fall 1998 issue:

- Pitch-In Canada Week 2000, page 4
- Literacy Awareness Kits, page 10

From the Summer 1998 issue:

- Recognition of Volunteers, pages 7-8
- Videos available, page 11

From the Scholarship Brochure:

- review and promote the various scholarships offered through the WI

Committees - Roles and Responsibilities

The roles and responsibilities of each committee was reviewed by Board. Most committees are made up of Provincial Advisory Council members and members-at-large. Ask your Provincial Advisory Councillor for a copy of the January Board Briefings if you are interested in reading the specific details of each committee.

All Committees - Responsibilities

select members from the geographical area in which the Chair lives (if possible)

- work with and report to the appropriate Coordinator
- prepare long and short-term work plans
- prepare a budget for presentation to Coordinator on or before March 1
- adhere to approved budget
- make recommendations to the Coordinator to bring to Board
- take appropriate action as requested by Coordinator and/or Board
- work with other committees as needed
- keep minutes or meeting notes to be copied to Coordinator
- prepare an annual report for submission to the Coordinator, including a committee evaluation
- send expense sheets to the Provincial Office

- maintain files and a list of contacts and resources to pass on to successor

Motions

- That invitations to host provincial, national and international conferences, conventions and meetings (etc.) must be issued by the FWIO Provincial Board with a 2/3 majority vote. An invitation cannot be issued by an individual WI member.
- That the Policy and Procedures as written re: invitations to host provincial, national and international conferences, conventions and meetings (etc.) be included in Provincial By-Laws under events.
- That the \$2,000 allocated to purchase used computers be used to purchase fax machines for use by Provincial Board Directors and Coordinators.
- That FWIO Provincial Board only consider writing letters of support for nominees of provincial, national or international awards (this motion to be inserted in the Policy Manual).
- That the Education Coordinator be a member of the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair Booth Committee.
- That FWIO Policy regarding Ontario members sitting on Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) committees or as officers of ACWW shall be as follows: no funding is available to offset their expenses.
- That the Co-Chairs of the Canadian planning committee for ACWW 2001 be authorized to attend ACWW Triennial Conference meetings using seed funds.
- That committee members be elected and/or appointed annually for a maximum of three years.
- That the roles and responsibilities of committees be accepted as outlined.
- That Pat Salter proceed with the application for funding an International Year of Older Persons project as outlined.
- That FWIO send \$250 from their General Fund, payable to the Female Genital Mutilation Fund, to the Female Genital Mutilation Fund, c/o Molly Melching, *Homemaker's Magazine*, P.O. Box 714, Markham Station, Markham ON L6B 1B4.
- That FWIO send \$300 (instead of \$250) from their General Fund, payable to the Female Genital Mutilation Fund, to the Female Genital Mutilation Fund, c/o Molly Melching, *Homemaker's Magazine*, P.O. Box 714, Markham Station, Markham ON L6B 1B4.
- That FWIO send \$40 to the Prince Edward Island Women's Institute to help with refreshment breaks at the Associated Country Women of the World Regional Conference in Charlottetown from October 15 to 17, 1999.
- That all applications for Provincial Board Director be sent to the Area level first so the Area is made aware of potential Board Director candidates. All applications can then be forwarded to the Provincial Office immediately after Area Conventions.
- That "the Provincial Office" be removed from the first responsibility of Coordinators as outlined on page vi of the Fall 1998 issue of the *Home & Country*.

- That the Lobbying Coordinator be responsible for writing letters of support to the appropriate ministries even if other groups have been successful in lobbying for similar resolutions (ie. World Wildlife Fund/Canada lobbied for ban on Dombind).
- That the recommendation that members hold a card party during WI Week in February, 2000, be promoted by the Public Relations and Education Coordinators for inclusion in next year's programming.
- That a letter be sent to the Wellington County Road Department requesting that three signs with FWIO on them be installed on County Road 30 and 186 to a maximum cost of \$500.
- That FWIO partner with Phone Busters to organize regional workshops to train one or two members from each District, who in turn train additional members to phone all members to make them aware of Telemarketing Fraud. This recommendation will be directed to the Education Coordinator and the Program/Project Preparation Committee for development, with the cost to be absorbed by the Districts.

Notice Of Motion

That the following motion from the August 1998 Board be rescinded: That we have a combined yearly provincial conference and annual meeting beginning in 1999.

Headquarters Fund Donations

Oct. 1, 1998 - Jan. 31, 1999

Under \$100

Anderdon Marden WI - In Memory
 Anna P. Lewis WI - In Memory
 Blackstock WI - In Memory
 Campbellville WI - In Memory
 Donna & Gerald Russett - In Memory
 Ella Botsford - In Memory
 Elmgrove WI - In Memory
 Elizabeth Thompson
 Elsie Hannor - Gen. Operating
 Helen Kingsley - In Memory
 Hon. & Mrs. E. Whelan - In Memory
 Huron East District WI
 Irene Maurer - In Memory
 Ivanhoe WI - In Memory
 Leone & Lyle Foerter - In Memory
 Mapleview WI - In Memory
 Marion Egarter - In Memory

Marlbank WI - In Memory
 Marlene & Howe Archer - In Memory
 Maureen & John Weich - In Memory
 Muskoka South District WI - In Memory
 Neustadt WI - In Memory
 Nora Helfrich - In Memory
 Pat Salter - In Memory
 Peggy Roger - In Memory
 Perth South District WI - Gen. Operating
 Ponsonby WI - In Memory
 Renfrew South District WI - Gen. Operating
 Rideau WI
 Rosella & Maurice Clancy - In Memory
 Rosseau WI - In Memory
 S. Wilkens - In Memory
 Shedden WI
 St. Vincent WI - In Memory
 Sudbury District WI - In Memory

West End WI - In Memory
 Williamsburg WI - In Memory
 Uttoxeter WI - In Memory
 Vickers Heights WI - In Memory
 Victoria East District WI - In Memory
 Violet Drew - In Memory

Mildred Lang - In Memory
 Providence Shaws WI
 Riverview WI
 Rylstone WI
 Silver Maple WI - Gen. Operating
 Waterloo South District WI
 York Centre District WI

\$100-\$249

Badenoch WI - Gen. Operating
 Beatrice Harry
 Belmore WI
 Bond Head WI
 Central Ontario Area WI
 Granton WI
 Grey County WI - Gen. Operating
 Holyrood WI
 Little Corners WI - In Memory
 M. Sharp & Family - In Memory

\$250-\$499

Renfrew South District WI - Gen. Operating
 Southwestern Area WI
 Susan Burns

\$500-\$999

Guelph Area WI - Gen. Operating
 Middlesex County WI

\$1000+

Guelph Area