

For Your Information

Restructuring Committee

Terms of Reference:

Overall Objective:

- to review the efficiency and effectiveness of operations of the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario

Specific Objectives:

- to investigate the need for restructuring (needs of members)
- to develop a model (vision) for a future structure
- to develop recommendations for changing specific components (if needed)
- to develop action plans for implementation of changes.

The Restructuring Committee wants your ideas and comments on restructuring the Women's Institutes of Ontario. If you have any suggestions, please contact any one of the Committee members:

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Back-to-School Survival Guide

Thinking about going back to school, then this *Back-to-School Survival Guide for Women* is for you. The Guide, published by the BC Network of the Canadian Congress for Learning Opportunities for Women (CCLOW), is available free to women interested in returning to learning. The cost of the Guide is \$10 to those who can afford to purchase it. To obtain a copy, send \$10.70, plus \$3.75 for postage and handling, to CCLOW - BC Network, c/o Bonjour Books, 2135-11871 Horseshoe Way, Richmond BC V7A 5H5, Phone: 1-800-665-8002.

FWIC Special Project:

A Collection of Artifacts in Use at the Turn of the Century

Project Regulations:

- can be an individual or WI Branch effort
- must be in the form of a display, consisting of no less than six and no more than eight artifacts
- artifacts can be displayed in any medium, but the size of the display must not exceed 12" x 16" x 12" high
- a written description of not more than 35 words must accompany each article; descriptions may be typed, printed or handwritten
- the display must be suitable for handling
- if the display hangs on a wall, proper hangers must be attached
- artifacts are submitted at the entrant's own risk
- name and address of the entrant and her Institute Branch should be enclosed in a sealed envelope attached to the back of the project
- Ontario entries will follow the time schedule as set out on page 11 in the Spring 1995 *Home & Country*
- the FWIO Unity Convener will deliver the one winning entry to the FWIC Convention in 1997 for display

Marilyn Sharp is the Unity Convener for the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario.

Centennial Plates

If anyone has a problem with their Centennial plate, or has not yet received their order, please contact Helen Duffield, Secretary-Treasurer of the Centennial Committee, at 127-45 Marksam Rd., Guelph ON N1R 6Y9, Phone: (519)763-8984.

Three French Hens



The third in the Christmas Tree ornament series - 'Three French Hens' - is now available from the FWIO Provincial Office.

The ornament is inscribed with *Happy Holidays, Women's Institutes of Ontario, 1995*. The cost is \$5 each.

Note: There are also a few 'Partridge in a Pear Tree' ornaments left from 1993, and several ornaments with the 'Two Turtle Doves' from 1994.

Women's Day at the Royal, November, 1995

Women's Day at the Royal, sponsored by the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario, will be held on Thursday, November 9, 1995. A luncheon will be served in Cafe Royale in the Upper East Annex of the Coliseum, with the doors to open at 11:30.

Since 1995 marks the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II, during which time the Coliseum, the Cattle Barns and the Horse Palace provided a 'home away from home' for young men and women in all branches of the Armed Services. The Planning Committee is preparing a program to focus on the War Years and the use of those buildings. There will be special memorabilia, music of the '40s and recollections by those connected with life at the Exhibition Military Camp during those years.

Tickets will be available from the FWIO Provincial Office, RR 5, Guelph ON N1H 6J2, Phone: (519)836-3078, Fax: (519)836-9456. Prices are as follows:

- Admission to the RAWF, the Horse Show for the Opening Night Performance, and the Luncheon is \$55.
- Admission to the RAWF and the Horse Show is only \$21.

The Planning Committee asks for your support. Cafe Royale can accommodate only 200 people, and to succeed, we need to fill those places. The program will appeal to both men and women, and we hope you will promote bus groups from your community, as well as from your members. Seats at the Royal Horse Show will be scattered along the end and sides of the Coliseum Arena, so there should be no obstruction due to posts.

We also wonder if you could identify for us, any former service men and women from your community who might have been stationed at Exhibition Camp during the War, or anyone whose relatives may have been there and who could provide us with anecdotes or memorabilia. One of our WI members has already offered her story as a volunteer to provide partners for the dances held at the Camp, when they danced to such famous orchestras as Benny Goodman and Guy Lombardo. It was a unique time and one to which rural Ontario made its own special contribution. If you can help in this way, please contact Peggy Knapp at 61 Woodland Glen Dr., Guelph ON N1G 3S3, Phone: (519)766-9693.