

CHALLENGE!

What have you done for Me Lately (update from last newsletter)

At the AGM and in our last newsletter ROSE Program Manager Patty Pizziola challenged each Member to think about what their Branch has done for their communities in the last two or three years. We're still collecting your lists of the TOP 3 things, but here is what we've heard so far:

- Road Clean Up (twice yearly)
- Ladies Night Out – Christmas Ideas
- Donations to various community organizations
- Scholarships to local students
- Mini-Golf Tournament
- We worked at The Café at the Cumberland Market for 3 Saturdays last summer
- One Member writes a column, called Navan Notables, honouring a person or group in the community for the local newsletter. She has been doing this for about 3 years and still has many more to honour.

Let us know what you and your Branch are up to! Of course, photos and stories are wonderful to share with the *Home & Country ROSE Garden*, your local newspaper and potential Members. It's time to get the word out to your community and let them know how WI is involved!

Send your lists and photos to roseprogram@fwio.on.ca.

Meet the Members

INTRODUCING

Catherine Junker



After 74 years of Women's Institute Membership Catherine Junker remembers her varied learning and social experiences. Catherine has belonged to Hampstead (South

Perth) 1935-1945, New Hamburg (Waterloo) 1946-1977, and Grand Bend (Huron South) 1977-2009.

Catherine joined the Women's Institute because she drove her mother to the meetings. Catherine has led 4H clubs and adult courses and even taught a Hat Making Course three times! What she liked best about catering with her WI Branch was preparing and serving Breakfast to the RCMP Musical Ride Members.

Catherine has learned many homemaking skills and has kept up with the new ideas and techniques during her Women's Institute years. Catherine and her husband raised 4 children and is proud of her many grandchildren and great grandchildren. She is now a great great grandmother.

Catherine hopes the Members of Women's Institute keep learning new ideas, support their branch and keep their communities strong.



Norfolk District

Norfolk District has been inviting WI Members and the community out to learn to knit and to assemble lap robes and afghans for local charities. This is the second time they have hosted this ROSE Session and continue to receive a good response!

Left: Marion Anderson is hard at work.



Motherwell WI

The Motherwell WI (Perth South District) invited Glengowery WI along with several guests to join them this past Fall for a floral arranging workshop. 36 people participated and each took home their own personal hand crafted Christmas centre piece. The workshop was directed by Sarah Nairn of The Little Falls Florist in St. Marys. The proceeds raised (\$340) will go to ACWW to Women Feed the World.