

**GREY - BRUCE AREA
WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**



44th ANNUAL CONVENTION

at

BELMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE

on

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2002

HOSTESS - BRUCE DISTRICT W.I.

**CONVENTION COMMITTEE - Linda Freiburger,
Marie Hammell, Audrey Webb, Doreen MacAdam**

THEME

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Power, Influence Or Money.**

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The Grey Bruce Area Women's Institute 44th Annual Convention was held Tuesday, Oct. 22 at the Belmore Community Centre. The hostess was the Bruce District Women's Institute and the theme was Enthusiasm is the greatest asset; more that power, influence or money. The day began with Silver Lake and Bervie branches registering 130 members. The area president, Lois Freiburger, opened the meeting with the singing of O Canada, the Women's Institute Ode and the saying of the Mary Stewart Collect. June Falls, area secretary, read last year's minutes followed by Louise Long, area treasurer, with the financial report. PRO Vicki Jacklin, Mary Anne Kukoly, lobbying, and Lois Olmstead Tweedsmuir curator gave reports.



A report was read from Erland Lee, as a representative was not in attendance. It was moved and carried that instead of the usual travel fee, two bundles of shingles be purchased for the Erland Lee home roof project.

FWIO president Dianne Orr told us about the happenings at headquarters. Grey South Branch entertained us for the morning break with a humorous selection. Orr then conducted the election of officers.

The retiring officer's positions were filled by Doreen MacAdam, area secretary, Gertha Holmes, Assistant Area Secretary, Maureen Murray, area treasurer, and Marilyn Reed and Diana Scott for area financial advisors. All other positions remain the same.

Helen Weirmier and Doris Needham, the PAC reps gave insight on what was coming up at FWIO. We ended the morning session with a delicious lunch being served by the Belmore Catering Group. Grey North led the singsong to begin the afternoon session. Fran Farrell introduced guest, Bruce District president Betty Anne Thompson, Grey North District president Donna Coleman and Grey South District president Bessie Lawrence. Cindy Lockhart,

FWIO membership convenor led us in a workshop on how to attract new members. She challenged all branches to gain one new member in the following year. Kemble WI won last years provincial challenge. Congratulations goes out to Marie Cartwright of the Walkerton WI for placing third at the Provincial level for her beautiful quilted wall hanging. Orr answered the questions from the question box and President Lois gave her closing remarks. We finished the afternoon with some brief new business, a treasurer's report and an invitation to Grey North for the 45th Annual convention Thursday October 16, 2003. We ending with the singing of God Save Our Queen. FWIO has a new website www.fwio.on.ca. Feel free to learn more about the Women's Institute or visit a meeting in your area.

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