



HEADQUARTERS FUND UPDATE

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**“Wherever you go,
no matter the weather,
always bring your
own sunshine.”**

— Anthony D’Angelo



Sparrow Lake WI Celebrates 100th Anniversary

The Members of Sparrow Lake WI (Simcoe East District, Simcoe Area) had lots to keep them busy with in 2017, including the celebration of their Branch’s 100th Anniversary! In August, the Branch served tea and held an old style fashion show. They also released 5 butterflies for Muskoka Hospice. Later in the year, they held a party where they prepared donations for the Muskoka Shoebox Project. The project collects and distributes gifts in the form of shoeboxes to women who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness in the community. Each shoebox is filled with items that any woman is likely to enjoy, but may not splurge on for herself in difficult times. Sparrow Lake WI wrapped and donated 15 boxes to the Muskoka Shoebox Project, which will go to local women's shelters.

Pictured: Sparrow Lake WI Members with their wrapped donations for the Muskoka Shoebox Project.

Roseneath WI Celebrates 110th Anniversary

The Roseneath WI (Northumberland West District, Trent Valley Area) celebrated 110 years with a party at the Civic Centre on July 29, 2017. The beautifully decorated cake depicted both the Branch’s 110th Anniversary and Canada’s 150th. There were skits, stories and presentations from MPP Lou Rinaldi, Alnwick/Hal-dimand Township Mayor John Logel and Deputy Mayor Gail Latchford. Everyone enjoyed the cake and ice cream.

Pictured (L-R): Jean Wilson, Karen Rogers, Eileen Adams, Lois Crider, Beth Bryan and Gayle Grills, Area President.



Wallacetown WI Celebrates 105th Anniversary

The turnout for the 105th Anniversary celebration of Wallacetown WI (Elgin County District, Southern Area) demonstrated just how well-respected and appreciated the Branch is to the community. Enjoying the afternoon with WI Members from Branches in Elgin County were, Grant Jones (Mayor of Southwold and Warden of Elgin County), Brian Masschaele (Director of Community and Cultural Services, Elgin County), Mike Baker (Curator of Elgin County Museum), Cameron McWilliam (Mayor of Dutton Dunwich), Whitney McWilliam (executive assistant to MPP Jeff Yurek) and Karen Vecchio (MP for Elgin-Middlesex-London). The occasion was celebrated with refreshments and delicious decorated cakes. The tables were dressed in WI colours, centrepieces and details of the Branch’s accomplishments since 1912 and acknowledgement of WI’s 120th Anniversary in 2017.



Pictured (L-R): Helen Van Brenk, Kay Waite, Louie Lackey, Mary Gillett, Diane Purcell and Kathy Minnema. Absent Members: Joan Johnson, Dorothea Monteith, Sally McIntyre and Connie Rose.