



# NEWSLETTER

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## Hello WI Members

Have you taken a drive lately - or a walk? The beauty that surrounds us is just amazing. How lucky we are to have all of this wonder around us every day. Put on a warm jacket and sturdy shoes and venture out into the backyard to tramp around in the leaves. Kick them up into piles and then spread them around. Let the 'inner kid' in you escape for just a few minutes. See, you are smiling just thinking about it - aren't you.

So here we are getting ready for the fall season. Crops are being harvested, gardens tended to and the kitchen full of the wonderful smells of baked goods and canning. I think I can feel you smiling again.

We had a wonderful summer with lots of events happening. You will find out some of the activities reported below. Remember that we would love to put your special events into this newsletter, so make sure that you get your information to us as soon as you can. If you have pictures, we will do our best to get them in as well.

October is really busy for WI. We will be displaying at the Wellness of Women Festival October 16, heading to the Area Convention in Caledonia on the 18<sup>th</sup>, getting recognition for our volunteer hours in Petawawa on the 19<sup>th</sup>, getting ready for our annual courses on the 30<sup>th</sup>, and somewhere in there attending our regular meetings and continuing our good work in the community.

We have collected over 50 phones for our cell phone project. We want to send these in at the end of the year so pass the word and get the phones to either Irene Robillard or Jo-Anne Camelon as soon as possible. Posters are available if you need them. Cancer scarves/hats are still needed at the hospitals. Remember that if you are not a sewer - purchase material or donate money to WI branches so that others can create beautiful headwear. See Noreen McGregor for a new pattern we want to try.

Enjoy this edition of your Newsletter and keep us informed of your news events.

Joanne McDonald and Jo-Anne Camelon

## Volunteer Award Recipients

Congratulations to all the new 30, 40 and 50 year recipients of the 2004 Volunteer Awards!! The Ceremony is to be held in Petawawa this year and again we have been able to get a bus to take us to the event.

Congratulations again ladies for promoting WI and honouring your members at this wonderful event.

### 50 Years

Iva Campbell - White Lake WI  
Burrell Dick - Rosebank  
Aileen Patterson - Rosebank

### 40 Years

Iva Laviolette - Calabogie  
Marion Russett - Glasgow  
Gloria Hamilton - Glasgow  
Alita Greene - Arnprior-Stewartville  
Beverly Franceour - White Lake  
Alma Majaury - White Lake  
Ruth Raycroft - White Lake  
Bonny Cole - Horton North  
Ileen Laforge - Horton North  
Annabelle McGregor - Lochwinnoch  
Carmel Stewart - Burnstown  
Goldie Moore - Burnstown  
Adele McLeod - Burnstown  
Patty Comba - Burnstown  
Jan Henderson - Rosebank  
Annie Lowe - Rosebank

Sara Campbell - Balsalm Hill

Lillian Lindsay - Castletford

### 30 Years

Mae Craig - Castletford  
Amy Johnston - Rosebank  
Lyle Larone - Lochwinnoch  
Florence Thomson - Lochwinnoch  
Grace Yantha - Glasgow  
Olive Neill - Glasgow  
Amy Neill - Arnprior-Stewartville  
Lila Fraser - Arnprior-Stewartville  
Martha Moore - Calabogie

## FAIR REPORTS

CCEA - Jean Henderson

The Fall Fairs are over for another year. Congratulations to all of you who made the effort to help show at any fair - that is what helps to make the event a success.

Thanks to all the WIs who showed at Ottawa Ex. The Judge, a non institute member, was very impressed with your workmanship.

I took four WI exhibits to Ottawa - Balsalm Hill, Burnstown, White Lake and Lorne Sutherland. I am proud to announce that Lorne Sutherland came 1<sup>st</sup> and Burnstown tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> place out of the twelve WIs showing.

Watch for the 2005 CCEA list at the Area Convention. I look forward to seeing more WIs exhibit in the next year.

Arnprior Fair - Jo-Anne Camelon

Eight WIs exhibited at the 150<sup>th</sup> Arnprior Fair. Our judge for the day was very thorough and talked to us as she judged each article telling what she was looking for and why she chose each article for prizes.

Thanks to all who helped with the judging process, the setup and teardown and sitting with the exhibits each day.

Renfrew Fair - Joanne McDonald

After months of discussion and preparation, five WI displays were ready for judging. Nancy McTavish of Perth judged - 1) display; 2) adherence to theme; and 3) individual articles. This concept of judging was new to her and she found it difficult to give place points.

No category had 5 WIs displaying but there was an item in each category. Most popular were Swedish Weaving and card making. She loved the chokecherry jelly and if there was butter 'she would have made a sandwich'.

Outstanding articles were chosen on the basis of what would be on the list 150 years ago.

With judging completed it was time to add up the points. 1<sup>st</sup> Balsalm Hill, 2<sup>nd</sup> Burnstown, 3<sup>rd</sup> Glasgow, 4<sup>th</sup> White Lake, 5<sup>th</sup> Lochwinnoch.

We presented the Fair Board with a request of increasing the entry fee and putting something of a barrier between displays. People come especially to enjoy our Institute displays.