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and
A Bridge to the Future**

NOTES & NEWS

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President's Message



Winter is right around the corner – I hope everyone had a great fall harvest and enough time to get all ready for the winter. As I write this we have just had our first snowfall and it is going to be minus 5 tonight. Soon it will be minus all day long.

Congratulations to all entrants in the first ever WI Island Product Cooking Contest – it was a tremendous success. We are going to put together a cookbook with all of the entrants' recipes. It will hopefully be ready to launch during our open house on Founder's Day this coming February.

Thank you to all those who helped out with the White Cross Christmas Campaign and with the Christmas stockings for the QEH. These donations are very much appreciated.

I extend a personal invitation to all WI members, friends and family to attend our 2015 New Year's joint Levee with the Farm Centre's Board of Directors. Our two WI Signature Quilts will be officially unveiled. As in the past this event will be held at the Farm Centre from 10:30am to noon and open to all.

May you all have a safe and happy holiday season and best wishes for 2015.

Cynthia Mitchell, PEIWI President

District Convention Planning

It will soon be time to begin planning District Area Conventions. Please find below deadlines to assist in submitting your information to the WI Office. These dates allow preparation for board representation and time for report summaries for inclusion in to the Provincial Convention booklet.

Planning Results - Send to WI Office before January 30, 2015

Conventions - To be concluded by March 13, 2015

District Convener Reports - Send to Provincial Conveners by March 28, 2015

District Executive Summary - Send to WI Office by March 28, 2015

Gift Giving Ideas

Centennial Recipe Book - This booklet is a collection of recipes over the past 100 years. Only \$10.

Recognizing...Reflecting...Responding - The Centennial history book recounts WI on PEI over the last 100 years. Only \$20.

Treats and Treasures - A holiday recipe book with over 70 pages containing recipes, crafts, jokes, poems, games and short stories is available for gift giving. Only \$5.

Napkins, pens, notepads and pencils are also available and perfect for stocking stuffers. These gift items can be picked up at the WI office.

Levee

*Join the Board of PEIWI for a
New Year's Day Levee*

on January 1, 2015

Located at the Farm Centre,


420 University Ave.,

Charlottetown, PEI.

10:30 a.m.- 12 p.m.

*The WI Signature Quilts will be unveiled.
We would love to see you there!*

The WI Office will close for Christmas on December 24, 12pm and reopen January 2, 8am.

Environment Tip	EVENTS AND DEADLINES
<p>Whenever possible replace disposable products with reusable items, i.e. razor, food storage, batteries, ink cartridges (buy re-fill ink), coffee filters, furnace or air conditioner filters. -Kaye Larkin, <i>Environment Convener</i></p>	Uigg-Kinross-Grandview WI A Christmas carol sing song will be held at the Uigg Community Center at 7 p.m. on December 16 th . Santa will be there with treats for all children. There will be games, door prizes, refreshments and good fellowship. Sponsored by Sheila MacLean and Uigg-Kinross-Grandview WI. Free Admission.
Founder's Day – Evening Reception	Purple Ribbon Campaign
<p>Mark Thursday, February 19, 2015 on your calendars for Founder's Day Celebrations. New event times include afternoon sessions from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. with an evening reception commencing at 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Watch for complete details in January.</p>	<p>To complete the Purple Ribbon Campaign, an invitation is extended to all to attend a special ceremony at Memorial Hall, Confederation Centre of the Arts on December 5 at 12 noon. This event and date caps off the Campaign with a candle-lighting service in remembrance of the fourteen women who were murdered during the 1989 massacre in Montreal at I'Ecole Polytechnique and to bring awareness against violence.</p>
Argyle Shore WI	Three Months at a Glance!
<p>What are your thoughts on featuring Canadian women on Canadian bank notes? Sign the petition created by Merna Forster and make your suggestions of which woman in history should feature at http://womenonbanknotes.ca/.</p>	Upcoming Events January 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEIWI Levee - Charlottetown January 7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charlottetown Rural Community School Registration February 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founder's Day Celebrations - Charlottetown.
MORE GIFT GIVING IDEAS	Newsletters and Other Submission Deadlines
A Note from Argyle Shore WI	<p>December 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Notes & News</i> December Issue January 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Institute News</i> March Issue January 31 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>2015 Memorial Issue</i> </p>
<p>'Tis the season (or, almost)!! Many of our Canadian troops remain posted overseas, with many more to follow. To let them know you care about them as individuals who are away from home during times of family celebration, send a card addressed to any Canadian Forces Member, postage FREE via Canada Post until December 31. For more information visit: http://www.forces.gc.ca/en/write-to-the-troops/mailling-instructions.page then toggle down the page to addresses to choose one or more locations or ships.</p>	Life Memberships December 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deadline for Life Membership applications are due two weeks prior to Board Meetings. Next meeting — January 7, 2015.
Christmas Stockings for QEH	Program Kit Order Forms - Send completed order forms to the WI Office or download from www.peiwi.ca .
<p>QEH Volunteers are looking for Christmas stockings to place on patient trays on Christmas Day. A perfect size would be approximately 4"x 3" as a candy cane is placed in each stocking. These will be distributed throughout the QEH, Hillsborough Hospital and the Prince Edward Home. If you are able to assist, please deliver these stockings to the Volunteer Services Department at the QEH. Thanks so much for your support with this! - <i>Volunteer Services Department, QEH</i></p>	<p><i>PEIWI Board Meeting Day</i> As a reminder the WI Office will be closed on Wednesday, December 3.</p>
White Cross Christmas Campaign	
<p>The White Cross Christmas Gift Campaign established in the early 1960's by the Canadian Mental Health Association/ PEI Division are for those who may not receive a gift at this time. WI Members are encouraged once again to donate a new, small unwrapped gift of a personal nature. Examples include movie or coffee gift cards, cosmetics, shampoo, socks or gloves. Gifts can be dropped off to the White Cross Program: 178 Fitzroy Street in Charlottetown. (902) 566-3034. Gift Deadline: December 12.</p>	
Brackley Beach WI	
<p>Brackley Beach WI has 2015 Calendars for sale depicting thirteen beautiful scenes of Brackley Beach and the cost is \$10. Please contact Judy Lund at 902-672-2444 or Ellen Cudmore at 902-672-2063 or email at barrycudmore@pei.sympatico.ca.</p>	