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Notes & News

WI: Women Inspired



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President's Report

April is a month of renewable energy with good weather, as we are all eager to get out in the sunshine.

It was a busy month with the *Spring Is in the Air Gala Dinner*—a wonderful and very well attended event! Many great live and silent auction items were bid on. Proceeds will go to the Prince County Hospital.

We are now getting ready for the Roadside Cleanup and the Provincial Convention, and we have also given out Life Memberships this past month. When I say “we”, it’s because I am getting ready to go for surgery in Halifax, and President Elect, Carol Jenkins, is helping out with some of the Presidential duties this month.

She will also be in that position for June.

I will see you all at the Provincial Convention!

- **Doreen Wall, President**

45th Anniversary of the Roadside Cleanup! Celebrating with YELLOW BAGS!

This year's WI Roadside Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, May 12th. New this year is a tinted yellow bag to bring attention to be cautious and stop before littering. The color also celebrates the Cleanup's 45th anniversary!

These newly colored WI bags will be available starting the first week of May from ACCESS PEI SITES and IWMC LOCATIONS (contact the facility in your area for hours). As a reminder, please use your existing WI bag stock, however if you need additional bags, clear plastic bags from your home can be used. **Thank you for using WI bags for Roadside Cleanup only!**

WI bags are available early May from the following locations only (FOR LARGE QUANTITIES, PLEASE USE IWMC SITES):

- **ACCESS PEI sites**
- **IWMC Facilities:** Brockton, New London, Murray River, Dingwells Mills, Wellington (The East Prince Waste Management Facility) and IWMC offices in Charlottetown (110 Watts Avenue) and Tignish (100 School Street).

Cleanup Contest and Win!

To encourage any and all to participate in the Roadside Cleanup, we are featuring the fourth annual contest with cash prizes. Simply fill out the entry form and send it with a photo of “your team in action” to enter the draws. Entry forms were sent to Branches in a mid-April mailout—posters and pledge sheets are also available at the WI Office or online at PEIWI.ca.

To participate in this contest:

- Fill out entry form (forms may be copied or available online at PEIWI.ca)
- Participate by filling bags from roadside litter and take a photo during cleanup
- Submit form and team photo to the WI Office in person, online at IWMC.pe.ca, or by email to: wi@gov.pe.ca

Roadside Cleanup Posters—These posters were sent to Branches in a mid-April mailout. We ask you to please post one up in your community. The Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy will pick up the WI waste bags during the days following May 12th. Thank you for your support!

Thank You!

The PEIWI Board of Directors would like to thank everyone who donated, purchased tickets, or volunteered their time at the recent Spring Is in the Air Gala Dinner.

This year's event was a huge success! Proceeds will be tallied and presented to the Prince County Hospital at the Provincial Convention on May 26th.

The WI Office will be closed on Monday, May 21st for Victoria Day.

Hampshire WI

Hampshire WI will be holding a Prize Bingo at the APM Centre in Cornwall on Thursday, May 10th at 7:00 pm.

A book of cards is \$10, and tickets are available from any Hampshire WI member or at Clow's Store.

Please contact Karen at [902-626-8843](tel:902-626-8843) for more information.

28 Day Campaign Update

We are estimating a \$5,000 value on products for the *Taking Care of Women's Business. Period* campaign with 1,154 donated boxes of feminine hygiene boxes, close to \$800 donated, plus \$500 worth of Atoma products donated by Murphy's Pharmacies were collected or dispersed to those in need.

PEIWI would like to thank all contributors in making this an outstanding success in 2018. The next campaign starts in 11 months!

Handcrafts, Horticulture and Arts Show

During Old Home Week, lots of volunteers are needed for setup and take down of exhibits, and lots more!

To make this event successful, please book a time to volunteer as soon as possible by contacting Exhibition Committee member Carol Jenkins at [902-367-4738](tel:902-367-4738).

During the Exhibition, some volunteers are needed to oversee exhibits, and to greet members of the public.

If you could like more information or would like to volunteer, you can also contact Exhibition Chair, Farida Chishti at [902-368-2360](tel:902-368-2360), and Exhibition Chair-in-Training, Anna Cooper at [902-569-8606](tel:902-569-8606).

- **Farida Chishti, Exhibition Chair**

Convener Kits Wanted!

Anyone interested in compiling new Convener Kits are encouraged to submit their kits to the Provincial Convener or to the WI Office.

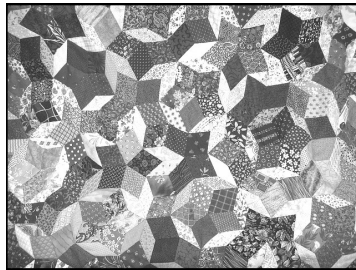
If you notice any current Convener Kits are outdated, you are welcome to update them, or send suggestions for updates to the Provincial Convener.

Triennial Quilt Raffle

Tickets for the ACWW Triennial Quilt will be on sale at the 2018 Provincial Convention.

Tickets are \$2 each. The winner will be drawn on July 15th.

As tickets are sold by FWIC, please contact FWIC Executive Officer Doreen Cole at [902-886-2207](tel:902-886-2207) to purchase, or for more information on the quilt. The coloured version can be viewed online at FWIC.ca.



2018 Provincial Convention

Branches are encouraged to send as many members as possible to the Provincial Convention at Rodd Royalty in Charlottetown on Saturday, May 26th.

2018 Provincial Convention Agenda:

8:00 AM	Registration
9:00 AM	Welcome and Official Opening Business Meeting Begins Approval of 2017 Minutes Business Arising from 2017 Minutes Financial Report President's Report Executive Director's Report Break (tea and coffee) Convener Reports Memorial Service Toning with Toby Exercise Break
11:30 AM	Her Excellency, Antoinette Perry, OPEI
12:00 PM	Luncheon
12:45 PM	Awards
1:15 PM	Courtesy & Credentials
1:30 PM	Adjournment

Registration Deadline: Friday, May 11th

Call to Help Those in Need

Gifts From The Heart Inc. and Care Fair, founded by Betty Begg-Brooks offers free food, clothing, household, and personal items for those in need.

If you are able to donate, please drop items off to Betty at 45 Hurry Road, West Royalty. Betty can be reached at [902-628-6871](tel:902-628-6871).

Three Months at a Glance!

Upcoming Events

- May 12th
 - Roadside Cleanup
- May 26th
 - Provincial Convention—Rodd Royalty, Charlottetown

Newsletters and Other Submission Deadlines

- May 5th
 - *Notes & News* June Issue
- June 10th
 - *Institute News* September Issue
- June 29th
 - Premier's Craft Education Award
- July 28th
 - Handcrafts, Horticulture & Arts Show entry forms

Life Memberships

- May 23rd
 - Deadline for Life Membership applications are due two weeks prior to Board Meetings.
- Next meeting: June 6th**

Program Kit Order Forms

Send completed order forms to the WI Office, or download from PEIWI.ca.

The WI Office will be closed on Wednesday, May 2nd from 8:00 am until noon for the May Board Meeting.