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**Federated
Women's
Institute
of
Prince Edward Island**

**Working
for
Home and Country**

**Making a Difference to
The Family
The Community
The Country
The World**

*And especially to
You!*



Mission Statement

Women's Institute is an educational organization focusing on the family, personal growth and community action.

Objectives

- To stimulate and develop leadership.
 - To establish Institutes as educational, cultural and social centers in their communities.
 - To promote a greater understanding and appreciation of the agricultural industry in the province.
 - To promote a greater understanding of social and economic problems affecting families and develop a greater appreciation of homemaking.
- To promote local, national and international understanding, tolerance and goodwill.
 - To undertake projects and activities in the following areas:
 - ⇒ Agriculture & Food
 - ⇒ Canadian Industries & Safety
 - ⇒ Citizenship & Legislation
 - ⇒ Cultural Activities
 - ⇒ Environment
 - ⇒ Home Economics & Health
 - ⇒ International Affairs

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

As a member of a branch, you have input into issues at the community, district and provincial level.

As a member of the PEI Women's Institute, you are one of more than 13, 000 members of the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada (FWIC), a powerful voice and networking tool for women across the country.

As a member of the PEIWI, you are also affiliated with the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW), a group of some 9 million women in over 70 countries - the largest women's organization in the world.

Notes and News published monthly (except July and August) and Institute News published four (4) times a year.

Weekly radio broadcasts.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A few highlights:

- 1911 First Women's Institute on PEI organized Alpha York
- 1913 PEIWI organized under the Dept. of Agriculture
- 1924 Forerunner of existing Provincial Handcraft & Arts Exhibition
- 1928 First issue of WI News
- 1930 Opening of Provincial Sanatorium
- 1937 First PEIWI Cookbook published
- 1945 First Provincial Music Festival initiated by Women's Institute
- 1946 First Provincial Drama Festival initiated by Women's Institute
- 1947 PEIWI first in Canada to have radio program
- 1947 Home Economics Scholarship established
- 1952 Leadership Training established
- 1973 First Provincial Annual Roadside Clean-up
- 1976 Hosted FWIC Convention
- 1977 Dr. Helen Herring Scholarship was established (previously Home Economics Scholarship)
- 1979 "Make Mine Milk" program organized in provincial schools
- 1979 First "From Farm to Table" Project

- 1986 Woman in Agriculture Award
- 1987 Adelaide Hoodless Award of Honor
- 1989 Over \$25,000 raised for Cat Scan Fund
- 1994 Initiated Buy...PEI project
- 1997 First PEIWI Education Scholarship
- 1998 Spearheaded Drive for Stereotactic Mammography Machine
- 1998 Raised over \$260,000 for Stereotactic Mammography Machine
- 2000 Launched new WI history book "Their Dreams Never Ending"
- 2000 Spearheaded Drive for Video Scope System for Prince County Hospital
- 2001 First ever WI Legacy Bike Tour raising over \$56,000 for a Video Scope, PCH
- 2001 First "Spring is in the Air" Gala Dinner
- 2002 Second WI Legacy Bike Tour raising over \$56,000 for a Video Scope, PCH
- 2002 Storysacks made for libraries
- 2003 Completed Video Scope Project
- 2004 "Spring is in the Air" Gala Dinner, proceeds to 2 Kings Co. Hospitals
- 2005 "Spring is in the Air" Gala Dinner, proceeds to QEH Cat Scan
- 2006 "Spring is in the Air" Gala Dinner, proceeds to the 3 Western Hospitals
- 2007 "Spring Is in the Air" Gala Dinner, proceeds to the Hillsborough Hospital

HISTORY

The first Women's Institute was organized at Stoney Creek, Ontario, on February 19, 1897, by Adelaide Hunter Hoodless.

The organization provided a voice for rural women.

The movement spread rapidly throughout Ontario and later to other provinces and then to other countries.

Prince Edward Island's first branch was organized in 1911, in York. In 1913, Marshfield became the first branch to be organized with the Department of Agriculture.

POLICY

Non-partisan, Non-sectarian, Non-racial

A GLOBAL CONNECTION

MEMBERS BRANCHES
DISTRICTS PROVINCE
FEDERATED WOMEN'S INSTITUTES
OF CANADA
ASSOCIATED COUNTRY WOMEN OF
THE WORLD

MEET THE CHALLENGE

Proud of our accomplishments, we are preparing for the 21st century with confidence. There are many challenges to meet.

You can make a difference!