



# FED News Bulletin

February 2016

## Greetings from the FWIC President

*Hello! Hope this bulletin finds you well and enthusiastic about the year before you.*

*I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the new faces of FWIC and the Homestead. Wendy Hamilton and Maggie Wilson have accepted the challenge; together they will look after the needs of the FWIC National Office and the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead until our board convenes and takes the next steps to find a replacement for the Executive Director's job.*

*Erin Fawcett has just joined the team at the Homestead as Program Assistant. Maggie is Admin Support and Wendy is FWIC Interim Executive Director.*



*Linda Hoy  
President FWIC*

**Donna Henderson wants a piece of your fabric!**  
*But not just any piece. She is looking for one of your favourites that tells a story.*



- 100% cotton
- Any shape piece of new fabric will do.
- Up to 3 entries per person
- Deadline for submission of fabric is August 30, 2016

Attach your name and story of the piece and send to:

*Donna Henderson  
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Questions? Email [donnahenderson80@gmail.com](mailto:donnahenderson80@gmail.com)

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## "Help Addie Ring in the New Year & Fulfill her 2016 Resolution"

As the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead looks towards 2016, there are a number of new programming projects which Addie would like to see happen, but she knows she can't do it alone.

As an outreach project, we are looking at creating an interactive, mobile exhibit display that will educate 'children of all ages' about Addie's life, her travels and the impact that she made on Canadian society then and now.

The exhibit will be a 3-dimensional display with movable pieces that will highlight Addie's life from her rural routes to her national status and involvement with Women's Institutes, the YWCA, Victorian Order of Nurses, National Council of Women and her impact on the domestic sciences in the education system.

To help Addie meet her New Year's resolution, please consider making a donation. Thank You!  
(gifts of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

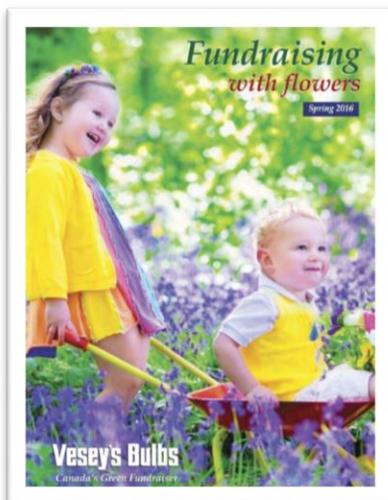
'My Resolution gift for Addie' (please circle):  
\$25 \$50 \$75 \$100 Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

For more information contact,  
[development@adelaidehoodless.ca](mailto:development@adelaidehoodless.ca) or 519-448-1130

**Want to be a part of making Adelaide's Legacy come alive and reach out to many people?**  
Then please support this innovative, interactive and travelling project of the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead...'Addie's 2016 New Year's Resolution'  
Contact: [development@adelaidehoodless.ca](mailto:development@adelaidehoodless.ca)

## Vesey's Bulbs Fundraiser

We are continuing with Vesey's Bulbs Fundraiser - your branch earns 50% on every sale. The Spring 2016 kit has been sent out. There are some new items in the catalogue.



**Vesey's Fundraising Program** has been serving thousands of groups across Canada for the past 30 seasons. Considered Canada's GREEN Fundraiser, this program features the sale of bulbs, plants and seeds. Every group that participates earns 50% of everything

they sell. Vesey's covers all additional costs including freight and we're pleased to provide free delivery bags for each of your customers.

There is NO Risk to any group that participates since all the promotional material you need is absolutely free. Plus, you don't send your payment until after all your sales have been made. Nothing could be simpler and your customers will love this alternative to the outdated fundraising programs that offer chocolates, wrapping paper and candy.

The [Veseys Fundraising Kit](#) contains all the information you will need to learn about our simple program. This Kit even includes a form to use when ordering all your free fundraising supplies.

**Please note: The Spring Fundraising program runs from January, 2016 until the order deadline May 1st, 2016.**

**Any customers requesting an information kit after April 15th will receive the Fall 2016 information when it is available later in the year. The Spring fundraising information will remain on our web site until the fall program is available.**

If you're already familiar with our program and want to get started immediately, go to [Order your Free Supplies on-line](#) or call 1-800-363-7333 and ask for Alma. We'll send out everything you need today! [Order Your FREE Fundraising Kit Now](#)

## Dates to Remember



February 14 - 20, 2016 - **W.I. Week**

- Founders Day February 19, 1897
- Adelaide Hunter Hoodless 'Canadian Woman of the Year' Winner announcement

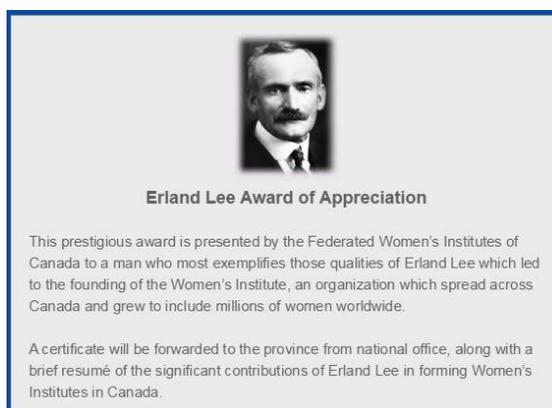
February 27, 2016 - **Adelaide Hunter Hoodless' Birthday (1857)**

March 1, 2016 - **FWIC Membership Fees**

- fees are due from the provincial offices

March 31, 2016 - **Erland Lee Award**

- nominations from provincial offices to the FWIC Office due; one per province except two for Ontario



A certificate to be presented to a gentleman who has made an outstanding contribution to the Women's Institute movement. Nominations can come from the branch, district/county, provincial or national level. Each province is entitled to one nomination per year, except for Ontario, which is entitled to two because of the size of its membership. Specifics of the nominee's contribution to Women's Institutes must be included with the nomination letter and forwarded to the provincial office for approval.

Once approved by the provincial office, the nominee's name is to be sent to the FWIC office. It must be received no later than March 31 of each year. A cheque for \$15.00 per certificate, payable to "Federated Women's Institutes of Canada", must accompany the nomination. This cost is the responsibility of the nominating body.

A certificate will be forwarded to the province from national office, along with a brief resumé of the significant contributions of Erland Lee in forming Women's Institutes in Canada. The **presentation** of certificates is the responsibility of the nominator.

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## Mark Your Calendars



### April 1, 2016 - **Provincial Reports**

- FWIC Committee Reports and Volunteer hours due to FWIC Office

### April 2016 - **Erland Lee Award**

- winners announced

### May 1, 2016 – **International Peace Garden Scholarship Program**

- The deadline for the submission of the Provincial participant's name for the Peace Garden Scholarship Program to the FWIC office
- Each province will set their own application process and provincial deadline
- Brochures to be distributed digitally very soon

### June 1, 2016 - **FED NEWS** Summer Edition

- Deadline for submissions

### June 17 - 19, 2016 - **FWIC Board Meeting**

- Being held this year in Brant County ON

### July 2016 - **FED NEWS** Summer Edition mail out

### August 21 – 27, 2016 - **The FWIC Peace Garden Scholarship Program**



## Criteria for the FWIC International Peace Garden Scholarship Applicants?

### Eligibility:

- Young women between the ages of 18-22 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year
- Community and volunteer experience an asset

### Areas of Interest:

- Leadership, marketing, social media, horticulture, public relations, the arts, inspiring others and positive social change

### How to Apply:

- Submission of a type written essay (500-1000 words) describing their interest area and why this experience would be beneficial to the applicant
  - Submit a current resume and one letter of reference to their Provincial WI office
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## “A Hunter Family Christmas” at the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead



Much fun was had by all who attended and participated in an authentic Victorian Christmas at the Adelaide Hunter Hoodless Homestead on Sunday December 13, 2015.



The Homestead was decked out in true Victorian splendour,

refreshments and treats were served and a choir sang traditional Christmas carols.

Local volunteers dressed up as Hunter family members from a young Addie and her sister Lizzie

making cards to mother Jane Hunter working on a spinning wheel. Then there was two of the Hunter brothers playing with period toys and even Alex's wife and two of their children were getting ready as Mary knitted old fashioned Christmas stockings.

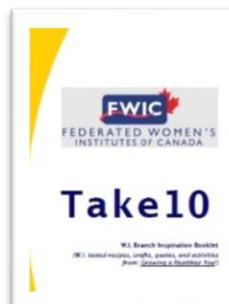


Even Father Christmas made a surprise visit and read 'A Visit from St Nicholas' (Twas the Night Before Christmas) in the parlour and gave away candy croziers (canes).

Many thanks to the volunteers, donors and businesses who helped support this festive event!

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## Take 10 Booklets



All of the 'Take 10' booklets have been sold, but if you are interested in producing copies yourself, there is a PDF file available. Contact the FWIC office if you are interested in receiving a copy.

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