

THE RWTO SONG

Chorus:

Together, we are caring.
Together, we are sharing,
Together, we're declaring,
The heritage and friendship we hold dear.

Sixty years ago they travelled from throughout Ontario,
To assemble at the call of "Rendezvous",
They were all retired teachers and they thought that they could show,
Our government some things that it should do.

There was Turner and McCowan who were leaders in the fight
And they thought that they could organize the cause,
"Let us work together, women, for we know our claims are right".
And their call to arms was met with great applause.

Better pensions then were needed for the ones who were retired
If offense was caused they really didn't care.
They brought pressure on the men in power. They really were inspired
To achieve the many things they thought were fair.

Sixty years have quickly come and gone – but we remember well,
The goals and the achievements that we've won.
We think of those who've led us and with pride our hearts do swell
Remembering the things that they have done.

So we are a happy band. R and W – T and O.
A fellowship of friends with whom we share.
We are proud that we have won the fight now forward we will go
To serve, support and love – because we care.

(Words – Ken Heron, Tune – When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder)