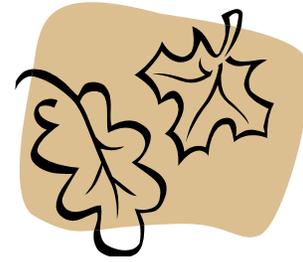


RWTO UPPER CANADA EAST

FALL 2020 NEWSLETTER



Hello all,

As the leaves are turning into the beautiful colours of fall, the Executive of the Upper Canada East branch thought it would be a good time to share some information and other bits of news with you. Here are some items we would like to pass along.



Provincial has passed a motion to award each branch a sum of \$400.00 for the three R's (Recognition, Recruitment and Retention) We are always looking for any suggestions as to how best to use the funds with this in mind so if you have any ideas, please pass them along to any of the Executive members.

Provincial has also decided to support each branch with an additional \$400.00 grant to help offset any expenses pertaining to maintaining membership, staying connected and embracing technology during this difficult time.

We were able to donate to all of our usual groups and charities this year and have received many notes of thanks from the recipients. We are very pleased to have the wherewithal to do this, as many charities and not-for-profits are having a very difficult time raising funds for their activities due to Covid restrictions.



We would like to thank Eileen Webb and Marion Carkner for their generous donations to our branch. We very much appreciate your support.



Due to the recent change in regulations regarding indoor activities, we are regrettably canceling our Christmas meeting. We sincerely hope that things will open up more next year.

The 2021 Convention in Sault St. Marie has also been canceled. In its place the Provincial Board of directors will be creating a Virtual 2021 convention.

We are still accepting memberships for 2020-21. Although we are not able to meet in person there are several reasons why you should maintain your membership with RWTO. Provincial is still meeting as well as the subgroups and they are still producing *The Connections Magazine* three times a year. It is

important for those members who have RWTO Insurance to continue their membership as you must be a member of good standing to maintain your policy. Provincial also supports each branch with grants, awards such the Cora Bailey, Barbara Bain and others. As well, they send a rebate to each branch of 25% of your fees. This rebate is used within the branch for many purposes-donations, gifts, birthday flowers, gatherings etc.

Memberships can be mailed to **Colleen Howard, 10160 County Rd 3, Mountain, ON, K0E 1S0**. Please make the cheque payable to RWTO Upper Canada East.

Fall Challenge! As a fun activity/challenge for the season, we ask that members please submit a picture of anything that relates to autumn. This could be your favorite decoration, pumpkin patch, a craft, your favorite foods, or a beautiful scene. We hope that you include yourself in the picture as well, as it would be great to see some familiar faces! We plan to create a collage of

pictures to share with everyone. Your photos can be emailed, or a print mailed to Diana McKendry. Please send these by Oct 31st. Diana's address is 12373 County Rd.28, R.R.#1, Morrisburg ON., K0C 1X0, and her email is dianamckendry4950@gmail.com





(July 15th Executive Meeting)

Our plan is to get another newsletter in place for the Christmas season. Again, if you have any ideas or suggestions as to how we can remain connected during these difficult times please let us know. We hope that you continue to have a safe, healthy and enjoyable fall season.

Sincerely,

Betty Lou, Sandie, Lynda, Mary Ellen, Colleen and Diana