

Belleville and Area Branch

Caring and Sharing and Having Fun

Branch Executive

Co-President: Diane Fisher/Judy Mewett

Secretary: Joan Long

Past President: Kay Snedden

Treasurer: Eileen Freeman

1st Vice President: Wendy Bryson

2nd Vice President:

Conveners

Insurance: Judy Vanleeuwen

Issues and Concerns: Judy Vanleeuwen/Brenda Ingram

Communications: Lynda Rollins

Publicity: Lynda Sommer

Membership: Kay Snedden

Goodwill: Irene Duncan

Travel: Lynda Rollins

Archivist: Jean Sowden

Program: Lynda Sommer/Patti Clapp /Lynda Rollins

The Belleville and Area Branch is seeking retired women teachers in Belleville and surrounding areas from Prince Edward County to North Hastings and areas in between!

Interested in joining our RWTO/OERO Branch? Call 613 962-7390

We meet in April, June, October and December. Our meetings include a social time, luncheon, business and entertainment.

Euchre Club Report:

The Euchre Club meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 1:00 pm at the Richmond Retirement Residence on North Front Street. They have lunch at the nearby Tim Horton's at 12:00 noon. Sometimes the group plays bid euchre or regular euchre, depending on the number of players.

Come and join us for fellowship and fun.

Contact Lois Thompson

Chit Chat Club:

The Chit Chat club is a friendly, small group of RWTO members who meet on the 4th Tuesday of every month except for July and August. The meetings are held at Federation House, 114 Victoria Ave. Belleville at 1:30 pm. The group discusses current topics of interest. A light snack concludes each meeting. Twice a year the group dines out at a local restaurant. Interested in joining?

Contact Bev Pulver or Marilyn Stobbart

Book Club

The book club meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm. Favourite books are discussed and members may recommend the next read. It is an informal book club and not everyone must read the same book. Interested in joining the book club?

Contact Robin O'Connor

Diners' Club

The name says it all. This group meets and eats! They dine out the 2nd Monday of each month at 12:00 pm.

Contact Carol Watson

Walking Club

This group meets each Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. and walks various trails throughout the city. It's a great way to get to know one another. The walkers are invited to bring along friends or family.

Contact Judy Galway

The Scrappers

This group meets monthly. New members are most welcome. Need to spruce up a photo album, create a new one or have a special project in mind?

Contact Jan Coates



Celebrating 60 years at the Diamond Jubilee Convention in Windsor, Ontario!

On Wednesday, June 15 the members of the Belleville and Area Branch of RWTO/OERO met at the First Pentecostal Church in Belleville to celebrate 60 years of caring and sharing.

Belleville Branch welcomed members from the Trenton and Napanee Branches.



Napanee Branch



Trenton Branch

President Kay welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked Lynda Sommer for the wonderful power point presentation showing 60 years of history in the Belleville and Area Branch. Kay also thanked Lynda's daughter, Jennifer for helping to put this "walk down memory lane" together.

Kay thanked Mavis Rupnow and Jean Sowden for the displays showing our 60 years of caring and sharing.



In our branch we have several members over the age of 100, Alice Heasman 107, Thelma Hicks 102 and Phyllis May 101.

Muriel Brand celebrated her 90th birthday. We sang "Happy Birthday" and Diane Fisher presented Muriel with a lovely bouquet of flowers. Many happy returns!





Past presidents were presented with corsages and thanked for their dedication to the members of the branch.

The Belleville and Area Branch won the Barbara Bain Award at the Convention in Windsor for increasing membership. Mavis Rupnow accepted the award on behalf of the branch.



Area 7 Director Jennifer Davis installed the Branch executive for 2016-2017. Congratulations for accepting the responsibilities for branch leadership.



Kay was presented with her past president's pin by Jennifer and a bouquet of flowers by incoming co-president, Diane. Thanks, Kay for 2 years of excellent leadership and fine examples of caring and sharing.



The 60th anniversary celebration ended with a hysterical musical overview of the past 60 years. Members Vickie Williams and Carolyn Dafoe along with Carolyn's sister Beverly Dafoe entertained us as the "Peculiar Pitches". Vickie and Carolyn sang as Beverly played the keyboard. The audience roared with laughter as familiar tunes were sung with altered and very appropriate lyrics to remind us of how things were!!!



Upcoming Events

John Cairns Inspirational Speaker

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Emmanuel United Church

Foxboro, Ontario

Memorial Service

Louise Ford Musical Presentation

Tuesday, December 6, 2016

First Pentecostal Church

Belleville, Ontario

Healing with Horses

Thursday, April 20, 2017

St. Mark's United Church

Cannifton, Ontario

Cora Bailey Award Presentation

Peter Rea Music from the 50's & 60's

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

First Pentecostal Church

Belleville, Ontario

Installation of Officers

*11:00 am: Social Time

*11:40 am: Business

*12:15 pm: Lunch & Entertainment

