

2009 IODE 100th Anniversary Grant Program RSVP of Vancouver Wins Grant

Past National President Noreen Salari, chairman of the 100th Anniversary Grant Program to alleviate child abuse and neglect, reported that the **Respect, Safety, Violence and Prevention Program (RSVP)** of Family Services of Greater Vancouver (founded in 1928) won the 2009 \$25,000 grant.

RSVP has been in operation since 2001 and fulfills the Family Services' mission: "Strengthening People, Families and Communities." It is a free, school-based early intervention and prevention program available for at risk children (grades 5-7) and youth (all grades) in Vancouver.

Kareen Hudson, MSW, RSW, Manager of the program wrote, "RSVP helps Vancouver's at risk children and youth who have been exposed to abuse, violence or neglect. Counsellors teach these children skills which will help them develop and foster healthy relationships thereby preventing further violence and abuse."

"To date we have worked with over 4,000 children and youth in the RSVP program. We receive excellent feedback from program participants, school personnel, caregivers and community partners. This group program has become a valuable tool in helping vulnerable children and youth learn how to stay safe and en-



"This is a picture of me before the RSVP. I was feeling sad, mad"



"Here I am after... I am feeling happy."

gage in healthy relationships with others. Providing children with these skills is in the best interest of everyone in our community."

Group sessions are facilitated in a flexible way to meet the needs of the group. In applying for the grant Ms Hudson wrote, "The children are often victims of physical, emotional and/or sexual abuse in their home or community.... Some youth in our project have already begun to experiment with high risk activities related to gang involvement, substance abuse, prostitution and other self-harming behaviours.... We have seen how participation in RSVP challenges children's attitudes and violent behaviors and helps develop feelings of self-worth."

IODE Canada is proud that through member and primary chapter contributions in celebration of IODE's 100th Anniversary important programs such as RSVP receive monetary assistance.

The IODE 100th Anniversary Grant Program is open to an individual or group specializing in developing and implementing ways to prevent child abuse and neglect. The grant is awarded biennially. Previous winners include Welcome Baby, ON, Sylvan Lake Kindercare, AB, Cumberland Early Intervention Program, NS, and Preschool Enrichment Program, MB.



RSVP Manager Kareen Hudson will address delegates at the National Annual Meeting Saturday afternoon May 30th.

INTERESTING 100th ANNIVERSARY GRANT PROGRAM FACTS

Eleven applications were received, six from Ontario, two from British Columbia, one from each of Alberta, Manitoba, Newfoundland and Labrador. Of the 11 applications received, six were delivered to the applicants by IODE members.

April 15th

Early Registration Deadline For National Annual Meeting \$200

The Registration Form with payment is due at Head Office prior to April 15. An exciting program will entertain you, provide you with information and inspire you with POSSIBILITIES to take back to your chapter. During Friday afternoon's plenary, Past War Memorial scholarship winners Dr. Amanda Vincent, Sarah Foster and Iain Caldwell will speak to the delegates.

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Does your chapter have anything you'd like to sell to the intrepid shoppers at the National Annual Meeting in Victoria this May?

TABLES ARE AVAILABLE FOR \$20.

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Tine Stewart through Head Office
at iodeadmin@bellnet.ca.

Message from the National President

Spring is in the air! Chapters have elected and installed their new officers for 2009-2010. Members have re-dedicated themselves to preserving what is best about the past and envisioning *Possibilities*. Members share a view of responsibility to promote the advancement of all through education, citizenship and community service programs.

At the 2002 National Annual Meeting, members approved the change to one member-one vote. This issue of *Echoes* presents proposed amendments to the IODE Constitution and By-Laws and a personal mail-in ballot for you to use. I encourage you to take this copy of *Echoes* to your April meeting so you can participate in discussions of the proposed amendments. You might choose to mail your ballots together.



I urge you to exercise your right to vote on these proposed changes. This is your organization. Please take the necessary time to make your voice heard.

It is also important to attend annual meetings, if possible. Plan to attend your Provincial Annual Meeting and the 109th National Annual Meeting 29-30 May in

Victoria, British Columbia. You can participate in the plenary sessions, attend workshops, take pride in the award ceremonies and meet members from across Canada.

I look forward to seeing all of you in Victoria when the Officers will provide you with *Possibilities* for chapter fulfillment and sustainability.

Chris Balenow

News From Across Canada

• Members of IODE Gorham Chapter, Liverpool, NS, were delighted to report that in July 2008 “for once the black flies had the rare good taste not to attend the annual yard sale at the Irving Mainway”.

IODE Susie Sorabji Chapter, Uxbridge, ON, recently welcomed these five new members shown with (2nd from r) President Sheila Weeks (l to r) Elaine Barrie, June Paige, Paula Donahoe, Muriel Tait and Carolynne Ross.



In September, **IODE Diamond Jubilee (1960) Chapter**, Brandon, MB, and helpers provided an informal barbecue lunch to welcome back Faculty of Education students, staff and hundreds of wasps at Westman Centennial Auditorium, Brandon University. Only one sting was recorded!

IODE Thistle Chapter, Fergus, ON, hosted a Volunteer Appreciation Tea on Saturday November 25. Approximately 75 volunteers attended. Provincial Area Vice-President Sheila Dearing and Wellington County Mayor Joanne Ross-Zuj were in attendance. Each year Thistle Chapter holds a Deck the Halls House Tour and the volunteers who assist with the tour are valued supporters of IODE work in the community.



Members of **IODE Amelia F. Sims Chapter**, Toronto, celebrated Christmas together at lunch with a raucous gift exchange and the sale of almond bark. Education Officer Rosemary Riley implemented a shoebox Christmas gift program for Labrador school children and this year's recipients were students at Basque Memorial in Red Bay. Each year in November each chapter member receives a letter from "her" student telling about themselves and their interests. Based on this information, members shop for appropriate items. The Education Officer mails the shoe boxes for pre-holiday arrival at the school.



• When **IODE Alberta** gave a special education award to **IODE Fort Ostell Chapter**, Ponoka, AB, the primary chapter matched the funds awarded. The pooled funds were used to support the Ponoka Youth Centre's innovative program which provides a constructive, activity-filled place for youth after school.



IODE HMS Ganges Chapter, Salt Spring Island, BC, raised \$278 in just two hours at their October bake sale. The chapter supports Transition House, a safe house for women, Therapeutic Riding School and G.I.F.T.S. (Gulf Islands Families Together Society). The latter joins families working together to keep their disabled children active in their community. Pictured at the bake sale are Florence Wiseman (l) and Jean Stewart.

IODE Oromocto Chapter, Oromocto, NB, donated four paintings and window shades for the two Palliative Care rooms at Oromocto Public Hospital. Seen with the pictures are (l to r) Velma Nickerson, President Rena Mockler, Nurse Rebecca Alyeo and Carol Lindsay.



IODE Fort Kamloops Chapter, Kamloops, BC, promoted membership in IODE and support for the Family Life program in local schools last fall. Pictured at the promotion table are Marianne Trestain (l) and Louella Garner.



• **IODE Asquith Chapter**, Asquith, SK, presented its first Thelma Picketts Citizenship Bursary to Lord Asquith High School graduate Carrie Dufort who is currently studying kinesiology at the University of Regina.

The chapter also prints a three-fold welcome pamphlet for Asquith which describes IODE and promotes the chapter's community contributions under these headings, "a tradition of service... community services... education... responding to the needs of the times". The remainder of the pamphlet provides contacts for community organizations, churches, the landfill schedule and emergency numbers.

• **IODE Margaret Stokes Chapter**, Petrolia, ON, sold over 700 dozen (8,400) butter tarts and 683 apple pies this past fall. These proceeds, in combination with funds raised on their successful Niagara Festival of Lights bus trip, allowed them to contribute significantly to the Pat Mailloux Eye Clinic at the local hospital. Pat was a former chapter member and was chapter President when she passed away in 2006.

• Using proceeds from their successful participation in the casino in Red Deer, **IODE Duke of Cornwall Chapter**, Castor, AB, supports many community facilities. The chapter contributed books to the Castor Community Library, exercise equipment and a computer/TV/video unit to the Castor Group Home.

• The first Meals on Wheels program in Canada was started in Brantford, ON, in November 1963 by IODE Municipal Regent Elsie Matthews. Elsie, after returning from a visit to England in 1963, was excited about the nutritious meal program provided to British shut-ins at a reasonable price. She approached the Canadian Red Cross and was happy when they agreed to support her venture. IODE members in Brantford volunteered five days a week preparing and delivering these meals. From the twelve IODE chapters who began this program, only one remains today, the **IODE Charlotte Livingston Chapter** continues to support the Meals on Wheels program.

Good Works

• In November 2008, **IODE HMS Ganges Chapter**, Saltspring Island, BC, presented a bench for the new swimming pool property. Swimmers young and old will have a resting spot while they wait for a ride home.



IODE Dr. Caroline Carmichael Chapter, New Glasgow, NS, continues with its Mitts for Kids Program but has added scarves, hats, shawls and slippers. Services Officer Margaret Chisholm, Area Vice-President Olive Bowen and Vice-President Jean Arsenault visited the First Nations Kindergarten Class and presented mitts, scarves and teddy bears to the children who eagerly displayed their gifts.



• At its 2008 Christmas gathering, **IODE Bridlewood Chapter**, Toronto, focused on the community. Guests and members brought bags of non-perishable food for the Agincourt Community Services Association food bank. Constable Patrice Armorer, 42 Division, Toronto Police Service was presented with the chapter's \$200 Community Relations Award for her off-duty volunteer work assisting people with HIV/Aids or cancer to live out their lives in their own homes while receiving ongoing medical and palliative care. Literacy was another focus; the chapter contributed \$3,400 to assemble 200 "Welcome to Kindergarten" bags for the local Ontario Early Years program. Last but not least, the chapter donated \$1,500 for a flat screen TV for the IODE Children's Centre at North York General Hospital.



The members of **IODE Hamilton Chapter**, ON, donated warm winter clothing to Notre Dame House, a local shelter for homeless and street youth 16-21 years of age. There were lots of hoodies, hats, scarves, gloves and underwear. The total value of the donated clothing was \$1,350. Municipal Services Officer Susan Davies is shown here with one of the clothing.

In October 2008, **IODE Diamond Jubilee (1960) Chapter**, Brandon, MB, launched its re-structured Born to Read program with the presentation of the first 100 of 500 book bags they have committed to provide to Families First and Healthy Baby programs of Manitoba Health. Rather than their usual handmade, unique bags, books are now presented in labeled clear plastic bags manufactured by Ventures, a vocational skills assessment and training program of the Brandon Regional Health Authority. The chapter received a grant of \$6,000 from Manitoba Community Council Services Inc. enabling this extension of Born to Read. Lorna Cowan is seen here with one happy recipient during the presentation. Partnering certainly paid off.



Santa's Helpers from **IODE Earl Mountbatten Chapter**, St. Catharines, ON, deliver Christmas greetings and individual poinsettias to more than 180 residents of the Linhaven Home for the Aged. Pictured in the front centre: President Margaret Blewett and Area Vice-President Lorraine Leyden. Standing (l to r): Elaine Kilkenny, Sheila Kennedy, Ruth Dickson, Muriel Wand, Pat French and Gwynneth Wolfram.

Lorna Cowan Wins YWCA's Women of Distinction Award 2009

Lorna Cowan, **IODE Diamond Jubilee (1960) Chapter**, Brandon, MB, a volunteer for more than six decades. On 12 March 2009 Lorna was awarded, the YWCA/YWCA 2009 Women of Distinction Award for "role models who make a community distinctive, help it thrive and set an example for others to emulate".



She served as a registered nurse and later as the reproductive health coordinator. In this position she trained for research which she completed in the 1990s. This paved the way for the Community

Partnership for Pregnant Parenting Youth Program. Her philosophy -that women should know, respect and care for their body- garnered her a

Planned Parenthood Manitoba award. A vitally involved IODE member, Lorna served on many community committees and boards to which she lent her support and skills.

The award ceremony was attended by hundreds from Brandon and the surrounding community along with many IODE members.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE IODE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS 2009

The IODE Constitution states in Section 6.08 Personal Votes “All members in good standing shall be entitled to vote on each amendment to the Constitution and By-laws”.

Additional amendments are required to streamline the organization and to reduce costs. The changes to be made are underlined in the original article. The new wording of each proposed amendment has been shaded for ease of identification.

The voting procedure used previously of a mail-in ballot in the Spring issue of *Echoes* is being used this year. Each member’s personal ballot found on page 7 is to be removed from this publication, completed and postmarked no later than 04 May 2009 as instructed in “Procedure for Voting” on page 6 of *Echoes*.

NOTE: *Photocopies are not permitted and will not be counted.*

1 To be consistent with the proposed changes, paragraph one in the Constitution which provides the definition of the “District of Head Office”, be removed.

ARTICLE I, NAME-OBJECTS-SEAL-DEFINITIONS

1.04 Definitions

In this Constitution, unless the context otherwise requires: ‘District of Head Office’ means the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto, the Municipalities of Oshawa, Mississauga, Brampton, Oakville, Whitby, Ajax, Pickering, Markham, Richmond Hill and Vaughan.

‘Notice’ means notice given at a reasonable time prior to the performance of the act specified therein, including the holding of any meeting.

‘Organization’ means the Corporation known as IODE.

‘Reports’ means those forms of report required by the National Chapter or National Executive Committee which are forwarded to each chapter of the Organization to be completed and returned by such chapters.

Be amended to read

ARTICLE 1, NAME-OBJECTS-SEAL-DEFINITIONS

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2 To change the due date for membership fees to the jurisdictional chapters to ensure a more timely cash flow.

ARTICLE IV, FEES

4.05 Due Date

Subject to Article 4.08 the fees of primary chapters shall be paid by their respective members on or before April 15 in each year. The fees of all other chapters of the organization shall be paid on or before June 30 in each year.

Be amended to read

ARTICLE IV, FEES

4.05 Due Date

Subject to Article 4.08 the fees of primary chapters shall be paid by their respective members on or before February 28 in each year. The fees of all other chapters of the organization shall be paid on or before April 15 each year.

3 To streamline the organization and to reduce costs, the office of National standard bearer be eliminated and that the words standard bearer be deleted.

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

7.01 Officers National

The National Chapter shall elect the following officers: president, first and second vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, officers for citizenship, constitu-

tion, *Echoes*, education, membership, public relations, services, war memorial and a standard bearer. Additional vice-presidents, as provided for by National by-law and assistant officers may be elected if desired. All provincial presidents are by virtue of their office vice-presidents of the National Chapter.

Be amended to remove the phrase “and a standard bearer”

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4 To streamline the organization and to reduce costs, the offices of additional vice-presidents of the National Chapter be eliminated and the words additional vice-presidents be deleted.

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Be amended to remove the phrase “additional vice-presidents, as provided for by National by-law and”

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5 Modern communications permit the current residence restrictions to be relaxed and therefore the words “and two of these together with the secretary and treasurer must reside in the district of head office” and the reference to residency restrictions for additional vice-presidents can be removed.

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION

Section 7.06 Residence Restrictions

The president, first and second vice-presidents of the National Chapter must be “readily accessible” to the head office of the National Chapter and two of these together with the secretary and treasurer must reside in the district of head office. Provincial chapters may decide by by-law residence restrictions applicable to the provincial officers. (See other residence restrictions concern-

Amendments

ing additional National vice-presidents in the By-laws governing the National Chapter.)

Be amended to read

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION **7.06 Residence Restrictions**

The president, first and second vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer of the National Chapter must be readily accessible to the head office of the National Chapter. Provincial Chapters may decide by by-law residence restrictions applicable to the provincial officers.

6

To remove irrelevant wording (See Article IX 9.01)

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION **7.09 Electing Officers – National**

At the time of the annual meeting of the National Chapter the National Executive Committee shall vote to elect the officers or any officer of the National Chapter. (See Article IX 9.01.)

Be amended to read

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION **7.09 Electing Officers – National**

At the time of the annual meeting of the National Chapter the National Executive Committee shall vote to elect the officers or any officer of the National Chapter.

7

To include participation by members outside of the district of head office, current residence restrictions be eliminated.

ARTICLE VIII, COUNCILLORS AND THEIR ELECTION **8.08**

The National Executive Committee, at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the National Chapter, shall elect twenty councillors who must reside within the district of head office and an additional fifteen councillors.

Be amended to read

ARTICLE VIII, COUNCILLORS AND THEIR ELECTION **8.08**

The National Executive Committee, at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the National Chapter, shall elect twenty councillors readily accessible to head office and an additional fifteen councillors from anywhere in Canada.

8

To allow flexibility, councillor vacancies of the National Chapter is to be filled at any regular meeting of the National Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII, COUNCILLORS AND THEIR ELECTION **8.12 Vacancies**

Vacancies among the councillors of the National Chapter must be filled by giving notice of motion for election, upon receipt of a councillor's resignation, at the next regular meeting of the National Executive Committee. The nomination and election of a successor shall take place at the following regular meeting of the Executive Committee.

A vacancy caused by the resignation of a National councillor elected by a provincial chapter must be filled by giving notice of motion for election, upon receipt of such a councillor's resignation, at any regular meeting of the executive committee of the provincial chapter concerned and the nomination and election of a replacement shall take place at the following regular meeting of the provincial executive committee.

Be amended to read

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9

To be consistent with proposed Amendment #4 above, which amends Article VII, 7.01 OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTIONS to remove additional vice-presidents of the National Chapter as provided for by National By-Law #5, BY-LAWS GOVERNING THE NATIONAL CHAPTER must be deleted.

BY-LAWS GOVERNING THE NATIONAL CHAPTER

5 There shall be elected at the annual meeting an additional two vice-presidents readily accessible to Head Office for active participation.

Be deleted

PROCEDURE FOR VOTING

Members are asked to adhere to the following procedure when exercising their right to vote.

1. Mark the ballot on page 7 by means of an "X" or "✓" in the boxes provided. Marking of this ballot in any other manner will invalidate this ballot.

2. Your preprinted name and address on the back page will validate your ballot and must not be removed from the ballot.

3. Mail the entire page to the Scrutineer:

IODE BALLOT
c/o The Treasurer
IODE Canada
40 Orchard View Blvd., Suite 254
Toronto, Ontario M4R 1B9

4. The envelope containing the ballot must be postmarked no later than 04 May 2009.

NOTE: Photocopies are not permitted and will not be counted.

A member who claims non-receipt of a ballot may secure a new ballot from the National Treasurer at IODE Head Office.

BALLOT FOR VOTING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE IODE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS 2009

1. INTENT: To remove the definition of District of Head Office

ARTICLE 1, NAME-OBJECTS-SEAL-DEFINITIONS 1.04 Definitions

Be amended to read:

'Notice' means notice given at a reasonable time prior to the performance of the act specified therein, including the holding of any meeting.

'Organization' means the Corporation known as IODE.

'Reports' means those forms of report required by the National Chapter or National Executive Committee which are forwarded to each chapter of the Organization to be completed and returned by such chapters.

FOR

AGAINST

2. INTENT: To change the date fees are due at the jurisdictional chapter

ARTICLE IV, FEES 4.05 Due Date

Be amended to read:

Subject to Article 4.08 the fees of primary chapters shall be paid by their respective members on or before February 28 in each year.

The fees of all other chapters of the organization shall be paid on or before April 15 each year.

FOR

AGAINST

3. INTENT: To remove the position of National standard bearer from the slate of National officers

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION 7.01 Officers- National

Be amended to read:

The National Chapter shall elect the following officers: president, first and second vice-presidents, secretary, treasurer, officers for citizenship, constitution, *Echoes*, education, membership, public relations, services and war memorial. Additional vice-presidents, as provided for by National by-law and assistant officers may be elected if desired. All provincial presidents are by virtue of their office vice-presidents of the National Chapter.

FOR

AGAINST

4. INTENT: To remove the elected positions of additional vice-presidents from the slate of National officers

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION 7.01 Officers–National

Be amended to read:

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FOR

AGAINST

5. INTENT: To relax current residency restrictions for officers

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION 7.06 Residence Restrictions

Be amended to read:

The president, first and second vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer of the National Chapter must be readily accessible to the head office of the National Chapter. Provincial Chapters may decide by by-law residence restrictions applicable to the provincial officers.

FOR

AGAINST

6. INTENT: To remove irrelevant wording from this section of the Constitution

ARTICLE VII, OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION 7.09 Electing Officers- National

Be amended to read:

At the time of the annual meeting of the National Chapter the National Executive Committee shall vote to elect the officers or any officer of the National Chapter.

FOR

AGAINST

7. INTENT: To allow for election of National councillors outside the District of Head Office

ARTICLE VIII, COUNCILLORS AND THEIR ELECTION 8.08

Be amended to read:

The National Executive Committee, at least one month prior to the annual meeting of the National Chapter, shall elect twenty councillors readily accessible to head office and an additional fifteen councillors from anywhere in Canada.

FOR

AGAINST

8. INTENT: To give the National Executive Committee the flexibility to call for an election for a vacancy of a councillor at any regular NEC meeting

ARTICLE VIII, COUNCILLORS AND THEIR ELECTION 8.12 Vacancies

Be amended to read:

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FOR

AGAINST

9. INTENT: To remove the office of additional vice-presidents from By-Laws Governing the National Chapter

BY-LAWS GOVERNING NATIONAL CHAPTER, 5.

Be deleted.

FOR

AGAINST

“Smile ~
You’re in
IODE”

*No woman lives
long enough to try out
all the recipes she
clips from the paper.*



Continuing their long relationship with the town’s library, members of IODE 40th Northumberland Regiment Chapter, Norwood, ON, commissioned a wooden bench to be built around a tree as their 95th Anniversary project. This unique design is part of the library beautification project and has quickly become a popular resting spot. Members (l to r) Jackie Kelly, Lisa Cossar and Leitha Daynes are seen at the appreciation festivities.

* Members PLEASE NOTE

Each member is urged to exercise her right to vote by completing and mailing the ballot found on page 7 of this issue of *Echoes*. As an alternative, vote in person using your original ballot at the Harbour Towers, Friday, May 29th 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Saturday, May 30th 9:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

CHANGING YOUR ADDRESS? Please Let Us Know!

Name of Chapter _____

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City _____ Province _____

Postal Code _____

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IODE Canada
40 Orchard View Blvd., Suite 254
Toronto, Ontario M4R 1B9

Or Advise by E-mail at:

iodeinfo@bellnet.ca

The National Chapter of Canada IODE Violet Downey Book Award for 2009

SHORT-LISTED FOR THIS \$3,000 AWARD ARE:

Afrika, by Colleen Craig. PUBLISHED BY TUNDRA BOOKS

Before Green Gables, by Budge Wilson. PUBLISHED BY PENGUIN GROUP

Death in the Air, by Shane Peacock. PUBLISHED BY TUNDRA BOOKS

Leaving Fletchville, by René Schmidt. PUBLISHED BY ORCA BOOKS

Starclimber, by Kenneth Oppel. PUBLISHED BY HARPER COLLINS

Voyageur, by Eric Walters. PUBLISHED BY PENGUIN GROUP

War Brothers, by Sharon McKay. PUBLISHED BY PENGUIN GROUP

