

Delisle Youth Services Wins IODE 100th ANNIVERSARY GRANT

Many children and youth face isolation, stigma, low self esteem, abuse, neglect, violence, bullying and thoughts of suicide when they question or “come out” as LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgender, Queer). Their future happiness depends on acceptance and support by their parents and families, whose attitudes and behaviour determine risk factors for this marginalized segment of society.

Past National President Noreen Salari, Chairman of the IODE 100th Anniversary Grant Program to alleviate child abuse and neglect, announced that Delisle Youth Services of Toronto won the 2011 grant of \$25,000 for their proposal to develop and implement a program to assist parents and family of LGBTQ children.

Founded in 1970, Delisle Youth Services will use the grant to create an innovative and educational course, Parent and Family Education Program (PFEP), aimed at informing and supporting parents and families who lack relevant information on where to find assistance on how to accept, help and support their LGBTQ child. Through the development of coping skills and knowledge learned through PFEP in communicating positively with their LGBTQ child, family relationships will be strengthened through acceptance of their child's gender identity and sexual orientation. Families can then provide a safe and

nurturing support system and cope with potential harmful, unsafe and negligent treatment of their family member outside the home.

For further community outreach, Delisle will also produce information videos on YouTube, and create and distribute materials for distribution through schools and community agencies. The effectiveness of the program will be evaluated in consultation with a professional group, such as Out and Proud, a program of the Children's Aid Society Toronto.

The IODE 100th Anniversary Grant Program is funded through the generous support of IODE members and primary chapters across Canada. Presented officially to Canada in June 2000 and awarded biennially, its value has increased from \$10,000 to the present \$25,000.

In communication with Noreen Salari, Peter M. Dudding, MM, MSW, RSW, CEO of the Child Welfare League of Canada (CWLC) commented, “The quality of the highly relevant applications from across Canada always makes this a difficult selection process. I am very impressed by the ability of your members to attract the excellent proposals... On behalf of the CWLC and our 125 members across Canada, I want to thank **IODE Canada** for its continuing support of programs to prevent, treat and eliminate child abuse and neglect.”



IODE Canadian Disaster Fund Responds



Flood damage in New Brunswick.



On 20 December IODE New Brunswick applied to the IODE Canadian Disaster Fund in response to the severe flood devastation in south western New Brunswick. Timely and efficient action by our National Executive in dealing with this request resulted in a \$5,000 cheque being received in New Brunswick on 24 December. Local IODE members purchased vouchers to be used for household goods to assist re-establishing people in their homes and delivered the vouchers to the Emergency Flood Relief Committee in St. George. Due to the severity of the situation, the assessment and distribution process is ongoing and will take some time before completion. Please continue your generous support of the IODE Canadian Disaster Fund.

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Message from the National President

Welcome to 2011 as we begin IODE Canada's 111th year of service to Canada and Canadians. As always, together we are "dedicated to enhancing the quality of life for individuals through education support, community service and citizenship programs."

Together we can contribute effectively in our communities through members' efforts in primary chapters; together we understand the needs of our neighbours. As we band together through our municipal, provincial and National chapters, our strength grows because of a shared commitment to IODE goals and support of the projects that benefit the wider Canadian community. Together we can accomplish so much. This was clearly evident in December when IODE Canada responded quickly through the IODE Canadian Disaster Fund to residents of Charlotte County in New Brunswick as they struggled with the devastating effects of severe, ongoing flooding. With cooperation at all levels, we supplied vouchers to families to assist them in rebuilding their homes. Support such as this is possible because as a national charity we are organized to respond promptly to the plight of Canadians in need.



National President
Catherine Moore (l) and
Shirley Downey, IODE
Heritage, St. Stephen, NB,
were among the invited
guests to the installation of
Canada's 28th Governor
General David Johnston in
Ottawa on 1 October 2010.

Our national organization is efficiently manned and run by volunteers with minimal administration staffing. At this point, IODE Canada needs financial support to continue its work. You will read more about this on page 11 of this issue of *Echoes*. I urge you to read, seriously consider and exercise your vote on this most necessary fee increase. Together we can sustain our meaningful work across Canada and maintain our registered charitable status by supporting an increase that amounts to less than the cost of one cup of coffee monthly at a favourite local coffee spot.

I invite you to attend the National Annual Meeting held this year 27-28 May at the Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites in Halifax, Nova Scotia. The theme this year is "Together We Can ...". Together we can celebrate our accomplishments during the 110th anniversary year and we can take home useful resources and ideas for the year ahead. IODE Nova Scotia members are, by their nature, excellent hosts. Together, we will have time to enjoy this vibrant maritime city and the seaside. I look forward to meeting with you there.

With best wishes,



In September 2010 National President Catherine Moore and IODE representative Lorna Cowan, IODE Diamond Jubilee (1960), Brandon, MB, visited the International Peace Garden, stopping by the Birch Grove picnic site, complete with children's playground that IODE maintains. Large girders from the Twin Towers toppled in 9/11 are now installed in the garden. The site encourages visitors to pause and pray for tolerance and world peace.

During her visit the National President was also pleased to attend the 50th anniversary of IODE Diamond Jubilee (1960).

- **IODE Lt. Patrick Wilson**, Tilbury, ON, chose to do something special for mothers and children in celebration of their anniversary by hosting a huge community-wide baby shower. Members spent months knitting, crocheting and collecting donated items and also welcomed contributions from the community. Three local organizations who work with those in need were the beneficiaries of this initiative. Another project for their anniversary was the creation and sale of 200 copies of their 70th Anniversary Cook Book.

- **IODE Diamond Jubilee (1960)**, Brandon, MB, donated \$1,000 for tables and chairs in the volunteers' room at the Brandon Regional Health Authority Cancer Care Project in recognition of their 50th Anniversary.

Members of **IODE Sir Howard Douglas**, Fredericton, NB, celebrated their 100th Anniversary at Government House in Fredericton on 23 October, 2010 with fellow members and friends from across the province in attendance. His Honour, Lieutenant Governor Graydon Nicholas and President Pat Kilburn cut the cake with organizing committee members Doreen Gould, Margaret McKay, Dianne LePage and Marie Hawkins in the dining room of the home that Sir Howard Douglas built in 1828, when he was the Lieutenant Governor of New Brunswick.



On 14 October, 2010, the exact date of their 100th Anniversary, members of **IODE Lord Amherst**, Amherst, NS, enjoyed a special luncheon. A second celebration was held, with an Anniversary Celebration Tea. Much interest was shown in the various scrapbooks and memorabilia on display. Kathleen Smith (r) a 59-year member and her daughter, former president Marg E. Smith, are shown cutting the anniversary cake.

News From Across the Country

IODE Calgary hosted author Shane Peacock, two-time winner of The National Chapter of Canada IODE Violet Downey Book Award, at their Literacy in the Limelight Luncheon, raising money to donate books from Shane's series, *The Boy Sherlock Holmes* to Calgary schools. Pictured is Rene Desreau, placing the final sign on the display where the luncheon took place.



Amherst, NS, IODE chapters gathered together to celebrate Canada Day. (l-r) husband and WWII veteran Russell Clarke, **IODE**



Lord Amherst Past President Barbara Clarke, President Ruth Oulton, **IODE Tantramar** Secretary Shirley Young, Mayor Robert Small, Doreen and Major Harold Ettinger.

IODE HISTORY SAVED IN LOCAL MUSEUM

A reunion luncheon was held by 14 former IODE members at the Owen Sound Golf & Country Club. Some members of the disbanded **Earl Grey Chapter**, the first of three chapters formed in Owen Sound, still belong to IODE, and are pictured with chapter scrapbooks and historic news clippings soon to be donated to the Grey Roots Museum and Archives. Some original members have found other ways to continue to belong to IODE, either as E-chapter members or through membership in another primary chapter.



Pictured (front row l-r) are Rosemary Fenwick, Violet Toms, current **IODE White Cloud** member Marion McLauchlan, current **IODE Victoria Cross Centennial** member Nancy Lymburner, **E-Chapter** member Doreen Fawcett; (back row l-r) Elinor Anderson, Lois Meades and Past Regent Wanda Bart.

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Come to Halifax!

Join fellow IODE members in Halifax and immerse yourself in the wonderful scenery, interesting attractions and all the local history. A delightful combination of old and new, Halifax continues to grow as a commercial, scientific and educational centre while preserving its natural heritage. Founded in 1749 by Governor Edward Cornwallis, Halifax was Canada's first permanent British town. Nova Scotia's capital lies on one of the world's most extensive natural harbours, midway along the province's south Atlantic shore. The scenery is magnificent at any



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time of the year. Shops, pubs, museums, parks, and public gardens attract local residents and many visitors. Galleries, concerts, theatres, and fine dining, all combine to make Halifax a destination for any season.

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National Historic Site, a star-shaped hilltop fort built in the early 1800s. Climb to the top for a breathtaking view of the city's skyscrapers and its beautiful waterfront. While you are here, visit the Old Town Clock (1803), part of the Citadel. During your stay in Halifax you may also wish to visit the Titanic burial site, the final resting place of many of the passengers on that ill-fated voyage. Stroll through Halifax's streets and you'll immediately be impressed with the city's architecture.

Our Annual Meeting will be held at the Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites, just across from the beautiful Halifax Public Gardens featuring an ornate Victorian bandstand, a meandering brook, curious ducks and, of course, benches just off the path bordered by seasonal flowers. Enjoy the unique shops and dining opportunities on trendy Spring Garden Road.

Visit the historic Halifax downtown waterfront on foot or saunter along the boardwalk in the Seaport district, stopping along the way at Pier 21 or at the Seaport Farmers' Market.

Come to Halifax to visit with your IODE friends and to make new friends as you enjoy Nova Scotia's maritime hospitality.

NOTICE OF THE NATIONAL
CHAPTER OF CANADA IODE

Annual Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of The National Chapter of Canada IODE will be held at the Lord Nelson Hotel & Suites, Halifax, Nova Scotia, on Friday, the 27th day of May 2011 at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon (Daylight Saving Time) for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the Annual Report for the fiscal year ended 31 December 2010 together with the auditor's report;
2. To appoint auditors for the ensuing year;

3. To receive and consider recommendations from the War Memorial Committee and the National Executive Committee;
4. To receive the results of voting on proposed amendments.

Dated at Toronto, Ontario, this 21st day of February 2011. BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Karen Barker, Secretary

JOIN MEMBERS AND FRIENDS ON OPTIONAL TOURS

**Thursday, 26 May,
5:45 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**

GRAFTON DINNER THEATRE

Enjoy dinner and a show at the unique Grafton Street Dinner Theatre. This interactive performance, entitled *Goodbye Yellow Brick Road*, features the music of Billy Joel and Elton John. The theatre is located on the third floor and is accessible via stairs or an elevator. Cost: \$65 – includes transportation

Sunday, 29 May, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

BUS TOUR TO MAHONE BAY. (INCLUDES DELUXE COACH AND GUIDE. LUNCH AT YOUR LEISURE)

One of the most photographed scenes in Nova Scotia awaits you in Mahone Bay. The three waterfront churches have helped make the town famous. Enjoy a leisurely drive along the South Shore to reach this quaint little town and then some time to visit the locals shops, stroll along the waterfront and enjoy a bite to eat. Mahone Bay offers much in the way of shopping from antiques and quilts to locally made tea and pewter.

Named one of Canada's best small-town downtowns by Harrowsmith Country Life Magazine, Mahone Bay is also considered by many as one of the most beautiful towns in Canada. Cost: \$45

Sunday, 29 May, 9:45 a.m.

GUIDED WALKING TOUR (WEATHER PERMITTING)

Take a gentle, 1 1/2 to 2 hour tour, with an entertaining professional guide, starting from the hotel and ending at the Maritime Museum. Cost: \$15

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"Order of Good Time" the theme for the IODE Nova Scotia Dinner on Friday, 27 May, was established in the early 1600's and is hailed as the first social club in America. The emphasis was to provide entertainment and good food. There will be good food, maritime music and dancing, and an abundance of Nova Scotia hospitality to round out our Nova Scotia fun night. Come dressed in local 17th to 18th century attire. If you are interested in renting a costume, contact Boutilliers Costume Rental, 902-464-3536 www.boutillierscostumerentals.com

111th IODE NATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING

27 – 29 May 2011, Halifax, NS



A	FULL REGISTRATION (includes 2010 Annual Report) FRIDAY 27 MAY – Annual Business Meeting, Presentation of Awards, Luncheon with Guest Speaker, Plenary Sessions/Workshops, IODE Nova Scotia Chapter Dinner <i>“Order of Good Time”</i> SATURDAY 28 MAY – Plenary Sessions/Workshops, Luncheon, National Chapter Dinner (Imperial Ballroom)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	\$250 \$225
	NOTE – Full registrations received prior to 06 April are offered at a discounted rate.			
B	ONE-DAY REGISTRATION (includes 2010 Annual Report) FRIDAY 27 MAY – Annual Business Meeting, Presentation of Awards, Luncheon with Guest Speaker, Plenary Sessions/Workshops, IODE Nova Scotia Chapter Dinner <i>“Order of Good Time”</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	\$160
C	SATURDAY 28 MAY – Plenary Sessions/Workshops, Luncheon, National Chapter Dinner	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$160

OPTIONS		Yes	No	
D	WEDNESDAY 25 MAY – Lunch: National Officers – Vanguard 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30
E	WEDNESDAY 25 MAY – Directors’ Dinner – Murphy’s The Cable Wharf	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$60
F	THURSDAY 26 MAY – Lunch: NEC Working Lunch – Imperial Ballroom	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30
G	THURSDAY 26 MAY – Grafton Street Dinner Theatre	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$65
H	SATURDAY 28 MAY – 8 a.m. Breakfast: Primary Chapter Presidents –	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25
I	SATURDAY 28 MAY – 8 a.m. Breakfast: Councillors Under National Jurisdiction –	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25
J	SATURDAY 28 MAY – 8 a.m. Breakfast: New Members & First Time Attendees	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$25
K	SUNDAY 29 MAY – Bus Tour to Mahone Bay – 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$45
L	SUNDAY 29 MAY – Guided Walking Tour – 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. (weather permitting)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$15

IODE Registration Deadline 06 May 2011

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The room block for the IODE Convention will be held until 15 April 2011 after which reservations will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Late reservations will be subject to regular hotel room rates.

110th Anniversary

IODE T-shirts and cake captured the attention of shoppers at McAllister Place Mall when 25 members of **IODE Dr. William McIntosh**, Saint John, NB, participated in IODE's 110th Anniversary walkathon.



Four Ottawa area IODE chapters, **Margaret Brand, Laurentian, Lord Dunderdald** and **Walter Baker**, walked together and raised \$4,321 for Interval House, a safe haven for women and their children fleeing domestic violence.

IODE Toronto members and friends gathered for their walkathon at the time of the annual CARDathon, a fun-filled day for the Community Association for Riding for the Disabled.



IODE Garry Oak, Victoria, BC, held their walkathon along the popular Galloping Goose Trail. They reported an excellent turnout. After the walk, they were joined by their spouses and friends for a BBQ.



Conception Bay South, NL chapters, **IODE Shore of Nine Points** and **IODE Father of Confederation**, walked together for IODE's 110th anniversary.



Chatham area IODE chapters, **Captain Garnet Brackin** and **Kent Regiment** in Chatham and **Randolph Churchill**, Blenheim, ON, raised awareness of IODE with their walk through downtown Chatham to City Hall, distributing public relations pamphlets along the way.



Members from each of the chapters in **Prince Edward Island** were joined by friends and family for their walk.

Walkathon

- Sixteen of the 23 **IODE Heritage** members in St. Stephen, NB, participated in the 13 June walk which raised \$702 in pledges. They walked 50,976 steps on the Walk on the Waterfront. Throughout the month the chapter walked 2,785,541 steps, 10,592 km or 6,600 miles. The chapter raised \$1,512 and spent \$2,337 on their province's **TARGET 2010** focus on children and youth.



IODE Calgary officers created enthusiasm prior to their walkathon with a poem dedicated to sore feet, tired bodies, and the joy of participation.



IODE John Milton, Milton, ON, held a **Rock-a-Thon** at Milton Historical Society, **Waldie's Blacksmith Shop**. Members rocked from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with friends and family dropping by to cheer them on. Pledges for the event exceeded \$1,200 to fund their scholarship program at four Milton high schools.



Calgary members hoist their banner ready to strike off on their walkathon on a warm sunny day. The walk was followed by a great pot luck luncheon.



IODE Golden Jubilee, Oshawa, ON, held their walk at the Oshawa Centre. Pictured back row (l-r) Mary Beveridge, Theresa Watson, Maralynn Kerr, Eileen Ogilvie and Diane Gray. Front row (l-r) Mary Wardlaw, Irene Horne and Jean Mainse. The walkathon raised awareness about IODE and brought in two new members, Mary Beveridge and Eileen Ogilvie. The chapter, however, learned that many women want to participate in events, as well as attend meetings.



Members of **IODE Duke of Cornwall**, AB, raised \$1,805 for Castor Care

for Kids, a program which provides assistance for children to participate in sports.



The Zone 1 walkathon in Edmonton around Churchill Square included five IODE chapters: **Cooking Lake**, **Ethel Cuts**, **Sir Wilfrid Laurier**, **Earl of Chester** and **Wing Commander H. P. Blatchford**. These members really understand about advertising!



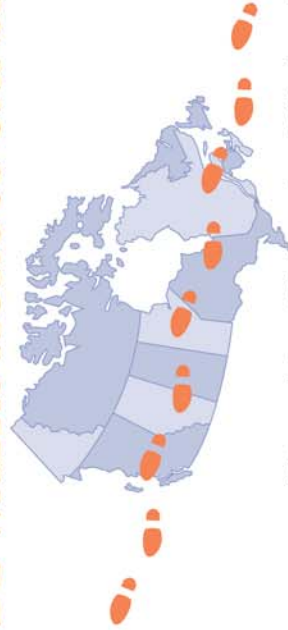
IODE chapters **Dr. John Clarence Webster**, **Hon. Dr. C. H. Blakeny**, **Sir Charles G. D. Roberts** and **Westmorland**, all of Moncton, NB, and **Shepody** in Dorchester, NB, celebrated IODE's 110 years of service to Canada with a walkathon along the riverfront followed by an anniversary birthday cake. Proceeds of \$3,000 will purchase books for Moncton, Riverview and Dieppe libraries.



IODE Mount Temple, Banff, AB, sponsored fellow member 90 year old Dorothy Carleton to walk and count her steps for a week in June. Dorothy walked 86,851 steps and raised \$615. This money, combined with \$500 raised by the chapter's first hot dog sale of the year went toward their 110th Anniversary project, Right from the Start. This contribution adds to the \$1,000 already raised. This pilot project provides extra counselling and support to students from Banff and Canmore elementary schools experiencing problems at home.

Steps

IODE WALKS ACROSS CANADA



The steps are adding up! As of 31 December, 2010, there have been 217,877,511 steps reported by 1,150 friends and members of chapters across Canada. We have travelled 83,011 km / 51,581 miles and crossed the country 11 times. If you try to imagine going beyond our country's border, together we have now gone 2.07 times around the earth. **Way to go!**

IODE Dr. Herbert A. Bruce, North Bay, ON, set up a booth at Northgate Mall to promote IODE's 110th Anniversary and kick off *IODE ... Steps for Canada*. Members took turns walking around the mall and selling their *Calendar Girls Can Cook Too* cookbooks.



Bright Ideas

- **IODE Moncton** Central Committee made sure their June walkathon was picked up by the press. Communications Officer Pat MacNeill wrote a Letter to the Editor (of the *Moncton Times & Transcript*) telling about the reason for the walkathon, where it was taking place and inviting everyone to participate and attend the concluding reception. Pat also explained that proceeds of the day would be used to purchase books for libraries in the immediate area, then provided contact information so people could register or make a donation.

- Interesting meetings attract new members. **IODE Sir Wilfrid Laurier**, Edmonton, and **IODE Dardanelles**, Carstairs, AB, members were excited to welcome Jean Paré of Company's Coming cookbook fame to their zone conference. Jean was a member of **IODE Frog Lake**, Vermillion, AB, for many years.

At their September meeting, Dardanelles members sang "Happy Birthday" to 99-year-old member, Doris Sundberg, and donated books by The National Chapter of Canada IODE Violet Downey Book Award winning author Shane Peacock to their local library and school.

- As part of their promotion of IODE's 110th anniversary **IODE Kokanee**, Nelson, BC, submitted a Hawaiian shirt from their Thrift Shop to Wayne Cox, Global TV/BC weather man. He proudly displayed the shirt and mentioned the chapter on TV.

- **IODE Bemersyde**, Campbellford, ON, hosted a *Come and Go* party as a thank you to their community partners during IODE Awareness Week. Gift packages containing personalized IODE Certificates of Appreciation, a copy of Echoes, and national, provincial and primary chapter promotional materials were presented to each guest. Mayor Hector MacMillan presented a proclamation declaring 18 October to 25 October 2010 as IODE Awareness Week in the Trent Hills area.

Involving the newest members benefitted all when **IODE Calgary** asked members of **IODE Juno Beach** to model fashions from Offbeat Outfitters, the Calgary Municipal thrift shop. Pictured is the display of goods, but unseen is "a very successful event with increased sales, new customers and a high satisfaction of members", wrote IODE Alberta Communications Officer Elizabeth Parnham.



Here's how to double your fun, double your staff and hopefully double your money. Try using the example of **IODE Lady Lougheed** and **IODE Colonel James Macleod**, two Calgary chapters, who joined together for a giant garage sale. Members raised \$1,100 while sharing a terrific day.



Hats off to a fun-filled fundraiser! **IODE Sir Charles G.D. Roberts**, Moncton, NB, hosted their annual Summer Hats and Tea party in August. Part of the enjoyment came from having members' husbands serve the refreshments. Members of the Provincial Executive had a grand time as witnessed in this photo: (l-r) Communications Officer Pat MacNeill, Secretary Susan Spence and President Eleanor Wright.



Reading and Remembrance

Reading and Remembrance, a free online resource first presented during the Year of the Veteran in 2005 for Remembrance Day, is now a year round resource.

Reading and Remembrance Project 2010 features an insightful article for use in schools on IODE war efforts titled *The IODE in WWII: "... the betterment of life itself"* based on Angie Littlefield's archival research. As she wrote in her most recent email to **IODE Canada**, "I am very proud of the IODE lesson and the mentions of the IODE in other lessons as I researched that material at the Archives in Ottawa. I hope I have captured your organization's far-reaching contributions to Canada."

SHOPPING WITH CHAPTERS

IODE Logo Magnets – Strong enough to stick to any vehicle! 4" x 5", \$6.00 including postage. Contact Joyce Erickson, IODE Freelon 306 - 216B Plains Road West Burlington, ON L7T 4K9 joyceerick@cogeco.ca

Non-fiction books were donated by **IODE Calgary** to the West View School Library at the Calgary Young Offenders Centre. Introducing the new books to the students are (l-r) are **IODE Calgary** Education Officer Mary Hart, Principal Don Gordon and Librarian Lauren Bossler.



Members of **IODE Lord Lascelles**, donated \$1,000 from the sale of pies at the Lacombe Trade Fair, Lacombe, AB, to the Ronald McDonald House Project in Red Deer. Pictured (l-r) are Darlene Crawford, Sally Law, Diane Johnson, Mary Schur and Ruth Craig. Good signage in the background helps to identify the chapter and their project.

- At the 2010 Provincial Annual Meeting in Vernon, BC, **IODE Tsawwassen**, in Tsawwassen, BC, won the coveted Mary Emerson Award, valued at \$6,500, which will assist in funding a ceiling lift for the Delta Hospice Society at Irene Thomas Hospice.

- IODE White Cloud**, Wiarton, ON, held their annual quilt draw at their Strawberry Fair in July in Oliphant. This fundraiser is a community favourite with cottagers and residents alike, and provides awards to Peninsula Shores District School.

- Each year **IODE British Columbia** bestows a \$500 Junior Arts Award in visual or performing arts to a student aged 13 – 16 who resides outside the Lower Mainland. Promising violinist Nathan

Bomans received this year's award for showing great potential in his chosen field, academic proficiency and involvement in his community. Bomans has auditioned with the National Youth Orchestra of Canada but is still too young to join.



IODE Preston, Cambridge, ON, members collected enough baseball equipment from garage sales and donations for U-turn students to participate in the Police Association ball tournament. The U-Turn program is for at-risk students, aged 16-18, who are re-entering school with a goal of completing the necessary credits for a secondary school diploma. Pictured (l-r) is IODE Preston Secretary Dawn Bedard-Old with Tina Hogg, U-turn Program Director.

IODE Ontario has embarked on a Citizenship project to raise \$17,000 over 5 years to build a cabin at Peacekeeper Park, just outside of Aylmer, ON. This is a living memorial honouring Canadian Peacekeepers. The year-round camp will provide youth programs, a training centre for cadets and 911 responders and for Canadian Armed Forces and their families. It is one of the few subsidized adventure camps in Canada for youth between the ages of 12 - 19 years with physical, mental or behavioural challenges. www.peacekeeperpark.com. Volunteer, Major Eugene Smith (standing in back row) took members of **IODE Margaret Stokes**, Petrolia, ON, on a tour of the camp.



When Wilma Faas and her family immigrated to Canada through Halifax's Pier 21 in September 1952 they were given a memorable IODE welcome by chapters in both Halifax and Toronto. Forty years later, becoming a member of **IODE Catherine McVean**, Dresden, ON, Wilma gladly knitted socks, mitts and hats for the chapter. She is still giving back through IODE. At 91 and nearly blind, Wilma is shown here with some of the over 500 baby blankets she donated to the local hospital. Wilma is a true example of what an IODE first impression can lead to in the future!



These children in the Philippines were the recipients of summer clothing and books collected by **IODE Shore of Nine Points**, Conception Bay South, NL.

110th Anniversary

• **IODE Kent**, Ridgeway, ON, planted a Weeping Red Bud tree in Memorial Park to honour the 85th Anniversary of the park and IODE's 110th Anniversary.

• IODE chapters in Winnipeg, **Canadian Fliers**, **Diamond Jubilee** (1960) and **Jon Sigurdsson**, and **De Winton** in Carberry, MB, presented a colourful plaque in honour of **IODE Canada's** 110th Anniversary and \$500 to the library resource centre of Laura Secord School.

• **IODE Elizabeth Barrett Browning**, Sudbury, ON, dedicated their fall Harvest Luncheon to the 110th Anniversary. Funds raised bought a dental chair for a dental program at a continuing care facility, food for the local food bank and wheelchairs.



Pictured (l-r) Lorraine Powell of the Mackenzie Camp presenting a Certificate of Appreciation to **IODE Lambly's Landing** President Audrey Bogert for providing four camperships for teens at risk in 2009 and 2010. The BC chapter chose this as one of their 110th Anniversary projects.



IODE Prince Edward Island advertised IODE's 110th Anniversary by adopting a beautiful corner garden in Charlottetown.



Dartmouth Daycare Centre children enjoy the equipment provided by **IODE Maid Marian**, Dartmouth, NS, for their TARGET project.

This garden in the Village of Dorchester Square, NB, was created by **IODE Shepody**, Dorchester, NB, to add to the village's flower gardens and to promote IODE.



IODE Victoria Guelph, Guelph, ON, chose the local Food Bank as its TARGET 2010 project to fight poverty. Each month members contribute much needed items after consulting with the local manager.

IODE Labrador Bursary Fund

It is almost 30 years since IODE established the IODE Labrador Bursary Fund to assist students with their post high school education. We want to do more and we need your support. Can we count on you to help young Labradoreans reach their dreams?

Provincial Presidents support fee increase...

Bonnie Rees, IODE Ontario:

IODE is a great organization. My best friends are IODE members. We support each other. We do good works. Together we make a difference. Our fees support the administration of IODE as a charitable organization. We need to keep that organization strong. IODE Canada needs our financial support to do that. IODE fees are modest. Compare ours to those of your local Lion's Club or Rotary Club. Our fees are equivalent to a few lattes, a couple of bottles of wine or a case or two of brew. Make IODE your charity of choice. Support it financially. I most certainly will!

Lorraine Kent, IODE Nova Scotia:

As with the ever increasing cost of our everyday way of life there is an increased cost in all that we do in our volunteer work, IODE being no exception. Ironically, fundraising costs have increased along with travel, promotional and administration expenses within our primary chapter. This also holds true for IODE Canada. The cost of operating such an organization has increased substantially over the past number of years. If we are going to remain IODE members, if we are going to support the programs and initiatives at the National level and if we want to remain as members of IODE Canada we must be willing to share in the expenses of keeping our organization alive and vibrant. I would encourage all IODE members to think positively, think of the future when the time comes to increase the National fees.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO GENERAL BY-LAW #20 will provide for an increase in the National Fee per member per annum.

BALLOT FOR VOTING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO IODE GENERAL BY-LAW # 20

General By-laws

20. National Fee – The National fee shall be \$20 per member per annum – effective 01 January 1998.

Be amended to read:

20. National Fee – The National fee shall be \$30 per member per annum – effective 01 January 2012.

FOR

AGAINST

▼ Please follow the voting procedure outlined below ▼

PROCEDURE FOR VOTING

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

1. Mark the ballot above by means of a “X” or a “✓” in one of the boxes provided. Marking the ballot in any other manner will invalidate the ballot.
2. Your preprinted name and address on the back of the ballot will validate your ballot and must not be removed from the ballot.
3. Mail the ballot or the entire page to:
Scrutineer
The National Chapter of Canada IODE
40 Orchard View Blvd., Suite 254
Toronto, ON M4R 1B9
4. The envelope containing the ballot must be postmarked no later than 01 May 2011.

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

Members may vote at a chapter meeting and mail the ballots in one envelope or they may mail their own ballot separately or they may vote at the National annual meeting at specified times with their original, personal ballot.

A member who claims non-receipt of a ballot may secure a new ballot from the National Treasurer at:

The Treasurer
The National Chapter of Canada IODE
40 Orchard View Blvd., Suite 254
Toronto, Ontario M4R 1B9

Gail Delaney, IODE British Columbia:

IODE: “OUR FAVOURITE CHARITY”. Since we receive a tax receipt for our fees it should not be referred to as a “membership fees”. I pay a membership fee to my local gym and they certainly do not give me a tax receipt for that. All members should change the way we think of this \$30 and the increase of our CHARITABLE DONATION is overdue – every charity has increased the minimum donation amount on their request forms. Over the past 10 years every charity has expected you to double your donation to their cause; it should be automatic that we should want to increase our donation to “OUR FAVOURITE CHARITY” IODE.

SUPPORT NATIONAL CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP FEE INCREASE

IODE is a national organization. Members from coast to coast believe in common causes and goals. IODE members are united in protecting our children, youth and the elderly, instilling love of country and ensuring educational opportunities for all.

The administrative work of IODE is accomplished at Head Office where we maintain the charitable status, issue tax receipts, qualify for GST rebates and provide liability insurance. Echoes, the members’ magazine and communications tool, is produced efficiently by volunteers. IODE members voluntarily administer National scholarships and awards including War Memorial Scholarships, Labrador Bursaries, IODE 100th Anniversary Grants, The National Chapter of Canada IODE Violet Downey Book Awards, The National Chapter of Canada IODE (RCMP) Police Community Relations Award plus coordinate support for the National Theatre School of Canada, Canada’s National Ballet School and the National Youth Orchestra of Canada. These are your awards given to qualified Canadians.

For the past three years it has been necessary to use capital from the Endowment Fund to balance the budget. Although the use of capital has been approved at the National Annual Meeting each year, using capital is only a temporary measure and cannot continue without putting the long term viability of IODE at risk! Maintaining Head Office requires a steady cash flow. Administration expenses are reviewed each year, but as in all other facets of life, expenses such as rent, postage, telephone and internet increase. With a decreased membership, revenue to administer Head Office is reduced.

In 1998 the National fee was set at \$20! It is critical that this be increased to keep our organization strong and vital.

The National Executive Committee is, therefore, asking the membership to commit to the future viability and success of IODE by endorsing an increase in the tax-receipted National membership fee. Our request is modest, an increase of less than 84 cents a month. If this question receives majority support, the IODE National Chapter fee in 2012 will be increased from \$20 to \$30 per member, the first increase since 1998.

PLEASE VOTE FOR OUR FUTURE!

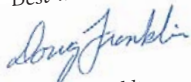
*“Smile ~
You’re in
IODE”*

*Aerobic workouts aren’t
a new invention.
Back on the farm,
we called them chores.*

13 December 2010

Dear Mrs. Moore,
Thank you so much for your letter of 15 November and information on the IODE. As I mentioned to your colleague, Ms. Douglas, I am very appreciative of the work of your organization. I benefited from receiving a scholarship from the IODE many years ago, as an undergraduate student. Today, I continue to be grateful, as my son, Capt. Ross Franklin, is now serving in Afghanistan, and you support the Military Family Resource Centre.
Thank you again for getting in touch, and also for your superb and thoughtful service to Canada.

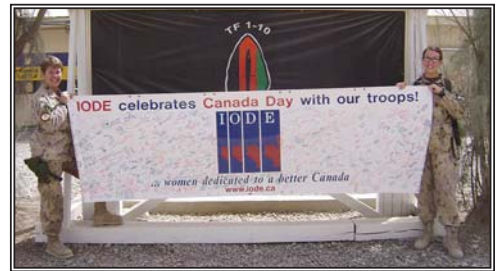
Best wishes,



Doug Franklin,
Victoria, BC

IODE reminds troops that we care

This IODE banner bearing hundreds of signatures of members and other Canadians arrived in Afghanistan this past summer. The banner was delivered by Corporal Joseph Wratten and has been on display at Kandahar Air Base and at least three other Forward Operation Bases in Panjuway district.



Pictured holding the IODE banner are Master Corporal Paula Marvin (l) and Private Audra Bowers in front of their Battle Group Flag.

Major M.R. Percy, 1st Battalion, The Royal Canadian Regiment Battle Group, wrote President Catherine Moore saying, “Tangible reminders of the support of Canadians at home go a long way to ensuring that deployed troops maintain morale and are reminded of the value of their mission”.



Corporal Andrew Smith (l) and Corporal Joe Wratten took the banner out for display in Panjuway District.

The banner will be put on permanent display in the vicinity of Canada House which is the soldiers’ rest and relaxation building. This is a permanent location and regardless of where a soldier is normally stationed, at some point during their tour, every member of Canada’s Task Force in Kandahar passes through Canada House.

Copies of this photo of members wearing their red “We Support Our Troops” shirts were included with 1,275 Christmas cards that **IODE Lt. Patrick Wilson**, Tilbury, ON, collected and sent to the troops.

