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Dear WI Members,

Congratulations to Women's Institute Members across the province! Thanks to your generous donations, a **cheque for \$4,089.30** was presented to the University of Guelph's G. Magnotta Lyme Disease Research Lab on June 15th.

From the presentation we received on Lyme Disease, we know there is still a lot of work to do. Not only to find a good test and cure, but to make everyone **aware** of the dangers of these ticks. More donations would be welcomed. Even though the original Plea for the Lee with 10% going to Lyme Disease Research is now over, donations can be sent directly to the University of Guelph with "Lyme Disease Research" on the memo line, or send to the FWIO Provincial Office and it will be forwarded.

To date, **\$8,120.00** has been raised for the Erland Lee Museum. Many thanks and donations are always welcome.

It is interesting to note some Branches, Districts and 2 Areas supported both the Lee and the Lyme Research, while some just one or the other.

Prizes were offered for the most unique method of raising money for this project and the winner was Woodland Springs WI (Grey-Bruce Area). They make and sell Dandelion Jelly, picking the dandelions themselves. Marian Howes from their Branch was present and received their gift of a Lyme t-shirt and Lyme bag.

The prizes for the Branch that made and donated the most money went to Virgil WI (Hamilton Area). They held a Murder Mystery and raised and donated \$855.00 for Lyme Disease Research and \$200.00 for the Plea for the Lee. Wonderful job. Margaret Byl was present and received their gift of t-shirt and bag.

The same gift was given to Taline Artinian from the University of Guelph who assisted in setting up the tour and presentation for us.

The fourth prize goes to the Russell Village WI (Eastern Area). The names of every Branch that donated was put in a hat and one was drawn. Russell Village WI won a t-shirt and Lyme bag, which is still to be presented.

A very sincere Thank You from the Committee. Please make sure this good news gets to your papers - show that WI is alive and still as always concerned about Home and Country.

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As promised, here are some good ways that money was raised. You may want to try some:

- Bakeless Bake Sale
- Community Pot Luck Dinner, played games like Heads or Tails
- Catering
- Garage Sales
- In lieu of travelling expenses
- Dandelion jelly
- Sold lime and lemon pies
- Loonie auction
- Collected extra at each meeting plus some jars in local community places of business
- Sponsored members to walk laps at new arena complex
- Mystery Dinner – “The Icy Truth”



June 15, 2018 – FWIO Members enjoyed a presentation and tour of the G. Magnotta Lyme Disease Research Lab at the University of Guelph. A cheque for \$4,089.30 was presented on behalf of Members from across Ontario who contributed donations in recent months.