

IODE Ontario

Since 1920

IODE ... women dedicated to a better Canada

Linda's Message

One of the well-known maxims by Hillel, the Elder goes like this- *"If I am not for myself, who will be for me? If I am only for myself, what am I? If not now-when?"* The entire adage says a lot, but I chose the last line as my personal guideline for most of my life's decision making.

Briefly about me: I was born in the Philippines, eldest of 6 children. Immediately after graduating from Nursing at the University of the Philippines, I emigrated to Michigan and then to Sarnia, Ontario where I worked as an Intensive Care and Coronary Care nurse. I married James in 1969 and we have three wonderful children and five active grandchildren. In 1980, I switched from nursing to publishing when we purchased a hobby newspaper. Jim and I worked with the monthly agricultural newspaper for 20 years and incorporated a book mail order business, retiring in 2000. My contribution to Canadian agriculture is a book titled *"The Chantecler and Other Rare Poultry Breeds"* (published in 1979, now out of print) designed to encourage the promulgation of the Chantecler- the only breed of poultry originated in Canada.

When my friend Patricia Charpentier asked me to join the IODE Errol Egremont Chapter in 2002 ... when I was elected as IODE Sarnia Lambton Municipal Chapter's President in 2009 which brought me to the Provincial Executive Committee meetings in Hamilton ...when I was nominated as Provincial Communications Officer, 1st and 2nd Vice ... and then as President, I thought *"If not now-when?"*

At "septuaginta quinque", the opportunities to make a positive difference presented themselves to me and so I embraced them! Why? The benefits of volunteering for IODE, an organization that is not only rich in history but is focused on love of others and country were just too hard to resist.

It is especially rewarding that IODE's mandates are diversely aimed at the betterment of human lives through education support, community service, good citizenship and patriotism! The added bonus and merits of volunteering proved to be physically, socially and mentally beneficial. A myriad of psychology, medical and wellness research findings are unanimous in citing the positive "volunteering effects" on aging, mental health, relationships, inner happiness and general well-being.

2020 is going to be an exciting year when IODE Ontario celebrates its 100th birthday, having been chartered in 1920. Great things are in the works to make the April 24-25, 2020 Centennial Provincial Annual Meeting at the Best Western Hotel & Conference Centre in Brantford, Ontario a fun and memorable event for all IODE members.

It is THE one event when IODE members from every primary chapter in Ontario will gather to meet and make new friends and renew existing ones; learn, share and take back tips and bright ideas, network and have fun!

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The theme -"A Century of Service: Honouring Our Past...Embracing Our Future" is to the point. There are plans to go "back in time" during Friday's "Dress for the Decades", and something new at next year's PAM is the Primary Chapter Presidents' Breakfast Dialogue on Saturday morning. Save these dates and plan to attend this special Centennial PAM. Should I dare say "If not now-when?"

All Primary Chapters within the province are integral parts of IODE Ontario and you, the IODE member, are important to us. Without the primary chapters, IODE Ontario will not be here. We exist symbiotically much like the traditional family. We care about what you do. We marvel and are proud of your accomplishments, all your good works, community participation and contributions. You have established a relationship with your communities and you are also relevant to them!

"If We are not for IODE, who will be for us?" This slight deviation of Hillel's first aphoristic line, points to a dire need to promote IODE and increase membership in order to make the organization sustainable. For so long, IODE had not been proactive in marketing the organization and all the good that members do. We were "winking in the dark" - we know what we are doing but nobody else knows!

Publicizing your chapter activities and good works is an enticement for others to want to belong to IODE and to make a difference, thus growing membership. By utilizing every available advertising medium such as word-of-mouth, print, broadcast, internet, social media, etc. to promote the good we do for others, we are actually setting good examples. Albert Schweitzer said: "Example is not the main thing in influencing others. It is the only thing."

Speaking of example, I would be remiss if I fail to gently remind primary chapters who have NOT yet submitted their 2019 membership list and fees and/or their 2019-2020 Newly (Current) Elected Officers' List to please do so. The 2019 annual report forms are now available for downloading from the IODE Canada website (www.iode.ca) under Members' Resources and are due at the IODE Ontario Provincial Office early next year. Why are these important?

The reasons for the timely submission of these forms are to:

- ensure that all members' information is accurate for our database.
- late or non-submission of membership information trickles down and adversely affects various things like membership awards, delivery of *Echoes* and distribution of important emails or e-blasts.
- help keep our accounting and bookkeeping database accurate for the auditors and Revenue Canada
- prompt and timely submission of all membership fees and donations help keep our financial operations smooth and plans for our provincial programs on-going
- archive your chapter's historical story for future generations to reference

Use your Primary Chapter **Annual Report** to create your chapter's story. It tells about the good works members have done throughout the year. It is compiled into a nice Annual Report book for distribution at the Provincial Annual Meeting (PAM) and summarized at the PAM in session. Fillable forms are available at the National and Provincial websites for easy downloading.

In order to assist chapters in remembering important IODE deadline dates, a copy of the "**At A Glance: A Quick IODE Ontario Reference**" document is available for downloading at the IODE Ontario website (www.iodeontario.ca) under Members Resources. Password is **IODEmember** (case sensitive). A copy is also included in this Newsletter.

The **IODE Ontario Newsletter** is an excellent source of information and a great tool to keep members informed and connected to IODE Ontario. I thank my predecessor, Past President Renate Schuetz for her leadership and foresight in initiating this Communications tool, replacing the former Provincial mailings. I would like to commend our Office Assistant, Susan Varga and Provincial Secretary Kathy Newnes for many hours of creative work on this newsletter. I am not forgetting the efficient team of contributing Provincial Officers and Convenors. Thank you for your hard work to keep our Primary Chapter members informed. Please will take the time to read and share this with all your chapter members.

For me, personal contact remains the preferred communication tool. Call me a social butterfly, but as one who considers the Primary chapters her IODE family, one of my mandates is to visit as many “family members” as possible, get to know them, learn about their projects and be the liaison between IODE Ontario and Primary Chapters. We invite members to attend one of the Provincial Executive Committee (PEC) meetings held every second Thursday of February to June, September to November at the Provincial Head Office in Hamilton and experience Provincial Councillors at work for you. Please call ahead to schedule your visit.

To all IODE members ...**THANK YOU** for your commitment, dedication and hard work!

Remember that we, at IODE Ontario-your jurisdictional chapter, are here for you. Please do not hesitate to contact us at iodeontario@gmail.com or iodeontariopresident29@gmail.com

I leave you with this thought: *“Volunteering is the ultimate exercise in democracy. You vote in elections once a year, but when you volunteer, you vote everyday about the kind of community you want to live in.”*



Join us for a celebration of ...

A Century of Service:

“Honouring our Past.. Embracing our Future”

at the

100th Provincial Annual Meeting

**Best Western Brantford Hotel and Conference Centre
19 Holiday Drive, Brantford**

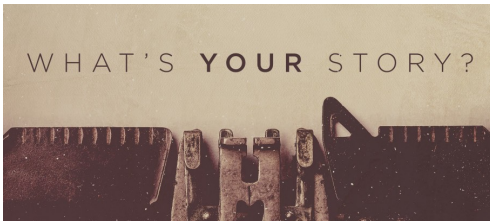


April 24-25, 2020



Friday Provincial Executive Committee (PEC) Meeting (Open to All), Friday Fun night – “Dress for the Decades”, Plenaries, Guest Speakers, Shopping with Chapters, Displays, Great Food and Fun, Primary Presidents’ Breakfast Dialogue, OPP Community Service, IODE Jean Throop Book Awards, Membership Award Ceremonies and Great Camaraderie! **Come and Join us!**

For Room Reservations call: 519-753-8651 (mention IODE) or go to:
www.bestwestern.com/en_US/book/hotel-rooms.66036.html?groupId=2G2FI9Y2



Archive Updates

By Helen Danby, IODE Ontario Archivist

Every Chapter has a story to tell and each chapter has numerous articles that are valuable in relating its history. Over the past five years, with the help of IODE friends, I have been able to compile a database of names of women who were members of IODE chapters in Ontario. The search is difficult as many chapters did not archive their minute books and/or scrapbooks. I am pleased that we have over 44,000 names recorded, many with the offices that these ladies held.

This past month, Gloria Saunders (Provincial Councillor) and I had the privilege of visiting the Dufferin Museum with members of the IODE Lord Dufferin Chapter. This chapter started in 1907, with the sole purpose of building a hospital in their community of Orangeville. The chapter ran the hospital until 1954, with members in charge of various departments, from linens to bookkeeping. The Chapter raised funds for an additional wing and nursery, as well as for large hospital equipment. The early membership was also in charge of the Lord Dufferin Training School for Nurses. The nurses' pin reflected the IODE badge. All this information was stored within the archives. We had a great day of looking through scrapbooks and discovering many events that were unknown to the newer members.

The best take-away from this visit is that the Chapter now has their own member database of over 600 names and executive positions.

Many chapters have funded hospitals, cenotaphs and buildings. Chapters have contributed to their communities through their work in services. Help IODE Ontario keep your history alive.

Active chapters were given a partial listing of members and executives a few years ago. **If you wish assistance with this endeavour, please contact me prior to putting your books into the archives.** I will record information and then return everything to you. I ask this favour as it is sometimes difficult to travel to your area. Our province is very large and the recording of data takes several days.

In 2020, IODE Ontario will celebrate its 100th Anniversary. We are leading into this anniversary year with two Facebook weeklies, Monday Memories and Tuesday Trivia. Like us on Facebook to receive interesting facts about our primary chapters.



Are you missing out?

Do you know a member who is **not** receiving any email from IODE Ontario? Please take a minute at your next meeting to check with your membership.

Email us at: iodeontario@gmail.com to report new email addresses and corrections.



Provincial Funds and Projects

By Renate Schuetz, IODE Ontario Treasurer

We know that at your chapter's fall meeting, you will discuss the coming year's budget and distribute funds. **We remind you not to allocate money to other organizations that seek funding from the public.**

The Provincial Chapter administers the following funds and distributes the funds as per their individual criteria/terms of reference in the name of Ontario members. This is done upon approval from the Provincial Executive Committee. The Funds were established at a past Provincial Annual Meeting to support awards or maintain projects. These Funds continue only because of financial assistance from your chapter or from personal donation. Personal donations over \$20 to any of these funds will receive a charitable tax receipt.

Project Fun – Play it Forward

Recognizing the value of play in the physical, mental and social development of children in Ontario, and to commemo-rate IODE Ontario's Centennial in 2020, a special initiative called, "Project Fun" was launched at the 2018 Provincial An-nual Meeting in London.

Due to enthusiastic support from individuals and primary chapters, IODE Ontario announced Phase Two of Project Fun. At the 2019 Provincial Annual Meeting in Kingston, "Play it Forward" was launched! Communities in remote Northern Ontario need play and sports equipment such as ball hockey, soccer and basketball gear, as well as other playground amenities. With your support, we can provide kids with PLAY. Please help us keep children fit and healthy by encouraging old fashioned fun.

Citizenship Fund

Provides financial support for projects of the Provincial Citizenship Department.

- The *IODE Ontario Provincial Police Community Relations Award* is presented annually at the time of the Provincial Annual Meeting. The recipient receives a cheque to be used for a community service program of his/her choice.

Communications Fund

- Established to promote IODE through radio, TV, social media and printed media
- Provides funds to print promotional materials for primary chapter use
- Develops and maintains the Provincial website, the Provincial FaceBook page and the Provincial Twitter

IODE Ontario Lucy Morrison Memorial Fund for Education

This Provincial Education Fund is named in honour of a Past Provincial President

- It provides bursaries ranging in value from \$500 - \$1,000. These are awarded to worthy students who need finan-cial assistance to continue their post-secondary education. Applications from universities and colleges in Ontario arrive continually. The need is great. Your contributions are always most welcome.
- This fund also assists one student, entering at least Grade 10, at Canada's National Ballet School in Toronto. IODE Ontario contributes \$1,000 to this partnership to assist a youth in pursuing his/her dreams.
- An annual award for \$1,000 is presented to a student in his/her second year at the Ontario College of Arts and De-sign University.

Services Fund

Covers the packing room expenses and specific purchases such as dental kits, shampoos, towels, face cloths, underwear and other specific requests from isolated Northern communities.

Provincial Funds and Projects (con't...)



Footwear For Kids Fund

To purchase winter boots, rain boots, athletic shoes and socks for northern communities. They are most appreciative of this valuable service.

Toys for the North

Throughout the year, toys, clothing, etc. are acquired. Each November, the purchased and donated items are packed and shipped by Canada Post to remote northern locations receiving assistance from the Provincial Services Department. This special shipment is always eagerly anticipated! It ensures that each child and youth receive at least one gift for Christmas.

Services Shipping Fund

This fund was established in 2007 in order that we could continue sending shipments to the many locations in Northern Ontario that depend on our support. All monies in this fund go directly to pay for shipping costs.

Toronto Legacy Fund

The Toronto Legacy Committee includes members from Toronto Chapters, the Provincial President, the Provincial Education Officer and the Provincial Treasurer. The Toronto Legacy Fund allows chapters and individuals to contribute for projects that the former IODE Toronto Municipal Chapter supported.

CARD (Community Association for Riders with Disabilities). This Fund allows for the care and feeding of horses.

The IODE Jean Throop Book Award is valued at \$2,000 and is presented yearly at the Provincial Annual Meeting to a Canadian author and/or illustrator residing in the province of Ontario. The book should appeal to children between the ages of 3 and 7.

Remembrance Day Service. The IODE Nichola Goddard Chapter lays a wreath at Old Fort York. A second wreath is placed by a Toronto member at Old City Hall. The cost for the piper for services at the Fort York Remembrance Day Service is also covered.

The Toronto Trades Award (Susan S. Near Award) \$2,000 annually - \$1,000 awarded to a male student and \$1,000 to a female student graduating from Central Technical Collegiate. The recipients must be enrolled in a trade or apprenticeship program and chosen by the school.

Tine Stewart / W. Garfield Weston Foundation Bursary is for students enrolled in grade 11 or grade 12 motivated with goals for future academic achievements. These students find themselves in challenging family circumstances that influence their academic performance. Each student is awarded \$1,000 for the academic year (2 allotments of \$500 each)

W. Garfield Weston – TTC. Students from eligible Toronto high schools receive TTC (Toronto Transit Commission) funding from the W. Garfield Weston Foundation. The funds are sent to the school Guidance Counsellors who purchase transportation vouchers for students in need.

Special Representatives Fund

This Fund is used to help defray travelling expenses of Provincial Officers when visiting primary chapters in response to your invitations. Your donations to this fund will enable the executive to continue this vital exchange of ideas and sharing of concerns while getting to know your members throughout the province.

Charity of Your Choice: Ensure that IODE is your charity of choice and please remember IODE Ontario in your estate planning.

When sending cheques to the provincial office, please make certain that they are payable to **IODE Ontario** and complete the current Remittance Form that can be found on our website.

Your Area Vice President can answer questions as to which funds need the most contributions from your chapter.

Citizenship

By Shirley Ann Elms, IODE Ontario Citizenship Officer



Each November 11th, members of IODE Ontario chapters honour the fallen by placing a wreath at cenotaphs throughout the province. The laying of a wreath is one way members of IODE pay tribute to those who temporarily abandoned their lives at home to uphold the democracy we hold so dearly.

First responders and those who extend emergency assistance throughout our province are also celebrated throughout the year. Ontario-based IODE primary chapters recognize their local police, fire and emergency medical services personnel.



When we see the familiar black and white patrol vehicles on our local streets and highways, they are doing their job to keep us safe.

What we don't see are the Ontario Provincial Police officers, spending their off-duty hours assisting with sports, youth, education and safety programs, as well as many other community-based initiatives throughout the province. Their values and volunteer efforts mirror the efforts of IODE members to ensure the lives of others are enhanced.

Since Staff Sergeant Robson of Toronto received the first IODE Police Community Relations Award in 1979, IODE Ontario has recognized a deserving member of the OPP every year. The award includes: a certificate of appreciation, a personal plaque and a monetary donation by IODE Ontario to the charity of their choice. Their name is also added to the official award plaque. Past recipients have been recognized for their outstanding volunteer off-duty efforts in many areas including: Paul Harrison (hockey), Dave Service (Pathfinders), Sandro Cave (a billet parent for local sports) and Shona Camirand (*Let's Remember Adam* Campaign).



At the 2020 Provincial Annual Meeting, as we mark IODE Ontario's Centenary, we will again recognize an outstanding member of the Ontario Provincial Police. We cannot do this without your assistance. The Citizenship Fund needs an infusion of funds to ensure we can continue this award into and beyond its 30th year. Please consider a chapter or personal donation to the Provincial Citizenship Fund in order to appropriately recognize the men and women in blue.

YES!

Our Chapter would like to contribute to the IODE Police Community Relations Award

The IODE _____ Chapter members are pleased to support the IODE Police Community Relations Award with the enclosed donation in the amount of \$ _____

President: _____

President's Email: _____

Please make cheques payable to: IODE Ontario
Identified as: IODE Police Community Relations Award

Mail to: 45 Frid Street, Suite 9, Hamilton, ON L8P 4M3



2019 IODE Police Community Relations Recipient

YOUR IODE



IODE Dr. Innis Mary MacDonald Chapter in Markham was the recipient of a \$12,000 donation from **100 Women Who Care Markham!** President Linda Dennis (centre) held the wonderful cheque along with (on her left) Services Officer Laura Pickle and Treasurer Angie Duncan.

Other IODE members included Suzanna Maya and Mary Patterson to Linda's left and Myra Boag, Lynn Sloan and Cathy Steele behind her. On her right are members of **100 Women Who Care**. The monies are earmarked for the two local group homes in Markham, supported by **360 Kids**. Their staff were also in attendance.



Santa's Little Helpers!

Local area high school students in Hamilton gain much needed volunteer hours by assisting **IODE Ontario Services** assemble Craft Kits for our upcoming Christmas Packing.

Thanks for your help girls!

AT WORK!



On July 17, 2019, a few members of the Toronto Legacy Committee attended the **50th Anniversary Dinner of CARD** (Community Association for Riders with Disabilities) at the Woodbine Race Track in Toronto.

A great time was had by all!



Toronto Legacy Co-Chair, Karen Barker with Canadian Hall of Fame jockey, Sandy Hawley. Mr. Hawley is also a member of the Order of Canada.



Toronto Legacy Committee Chair, Mary K Anderson (far right) presented CARD with a donation of \$15,000 plus their annual contribution of \$1,000 towards feeding and care of horses. Sue Harrison, (3rd from left) also presented CARD with a cheque for \$5,000 on behalf of the **IODE Bridlewood Chapter**.

Deanna Leuty, Sue Harrison and Toronto Legacy Co-Chair, Mary K. Anderson chat with CARD Director, Chuck Wright.





Education Bursaries, Funds and Awards

By Helen Danby, IODE Ontario Education Officer

Gladys Raiter Bursary for Graduate Studies:

Last fall, you were introduced to Jenna Harb, the recipient of the IODE Gladys Raiter Bursary for Graduate Study for 2018. She is completing her PhD in Sociology and Legal Studies at the University of Waterloo and expects to graduate in 2021.

It is my pleasure to announce that the Gladys Raiter Bursary Fund has had sufficient growth to offer this bursary again in 2020! An announcement will be sent to all Ontario universities in the fall for a spring selection. The criteria are listed below. Please encourage any students that you know who qualify, to apply for this worthy bursary.

IODE Ontario Gladys Raiter Bursary for Graduate Study Criteria

In memory of his wife Gladys, a member of the IODE Queen Anne Chapter in Kitchener, Norman Raiter bequeathed money to IODE Ontario to establish the IODE Gladys Raiter Bursary for Graduate Study.

The IODE Kitchener-Waterloo Municipal Chapter administered this bursary from 1980 to 1989. Since disbandment of the IODE Kitchener-Waterloo Municipal Chapter, IODE Ontario has offered this award with funding from the original investment. The Bursary is:

- Awarded on the basis of academic standing and financial need
- Awarded for one year of full time graduate study in Canada

Applicants will be considered whose family resides in the Regional Municipality of Kitchener-Waterloo and the student is in post-graduate study locally or elsewhere in Canada, or the student is enrolled in a post-graduate degree program at the University of Waterloo or Wilfrid Laurier University.

IODE Lucy Morrison Memorial Fund for Education:

This fund was established in memory of a beloved IODE Provincial President. Thanks to the generosity of Ontario IODE chapters that donate to the Lucy Morrison Memorial Fund for Education, the bursaries are possible. Ontario Chapters donated \$2,755 to this fund in 2018. Bursaries up to \$1000 are awarded to post-secondary students at colleges and universities in Ontario who demonstrate financial need, have completed one full year of study and are Canadian citizens. During 2018, five students received funding totaling \$3,750. Thank you Primary Chapters!

IODE Ontario William Barrott Bursary in Engineering:

This past year, IODE Ontario received a letter from Mr. William Barrott who lives in Anacortes, Washington, USA. He wrote that as an engineering student at Queen's University in 1958/59, he received a \$1200 bursary from the IODE Windsor Municipal Chapter. He wrote, "*Needless to say this was like a million dollars at the time and helped immensely with the costs of my education.*" He thought that it would be nice to help a student from the Windsor area with his/her education and included a cheque for \$5000 with his letter. Arrangements with the Greater Essex County District School Board were completed for this award to be given to a graduating student from a Windsor secondary school enrolled in an engineering program at a Canadian university.

In June 2019, the award was presented to Mohamed Al Masri, a graduate from Walkerville Collegiate enrolled in the Chemical Engineering program at the University of Western Ontario. Congratulations!

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IODE Empowering Women in Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM) was announced at the 2019 Provincial Annual Meeting in Kingston. Lois Laughren, a Past Provincial President, had no children of her own and she requested that IODE Ontario be the beneficiary of her generosity.

Her donation has allowed IODE Ontario to establish the **IODE Ontario Lois Laughren Award for Women in STEM** at Ryerson University. This award will be given to women who have completed at least one year of university and are pursuing an education in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics.

The IODE Ontario Lois Laughren Award for Women in STEM donated \$25,000 that will be matched by Ryerson University's PACE (President's Awards to Champion Excellence) Fund, giving a total of \$50,000. The Award will be offered to five women at \$2,000 each (\$10,000 annually) for a period of 5 years. Ryerson University will choose the recipients and the first STEM awards will be presented in September 2019.

IODE Ontario is fortunate to have received several chapter and private donations. These donations allow us to continue to assist students pursuing their life-long goals through post-secondary education. **The IODE Lucy Morrison Memorial Fund for Education is the only bursary that is dependent upon the generosity of primary chapters.**

Please contact me at: iodeontarioeducation@gmail.com for further information.

PROJECTFUN was proposed as a two-year endeavour for IODE Ontario's 100th Anniversary in 2020.

With the successful completion of Phase One: Playground Equipment for the Good Shepherd Family Centre in Hamilton, Phase Two was launched at the Provincial Annual meeting in April 2019.

Phase Two's focus is to provide play and/or sporting equipment to schools in remote communities in Northern Ontario. IODE Ontario will be contacting our five Adopted Schools to secure a better idea of the exact items and numbers that are on the school's wish list. We have eight adopted schools in Northern Ontario.

The amount of supplies and number of schools that benefit from this program will be determined by the funds that are received. We wish to provide quality sporting-goods that will last for several years. This is only possible through your assistance.

Please plan to contribute to this worthwhile project in your 2020 budgets. Deadline is May 2020.

Project Fun Phase Two: Play It Forward

With your continuing support, **Play It Forward** will be able to provide play and sports equipment for remote communities in Northern Ontario.

IODE _____ Chapter Members enclosed a donation of
\$ _____ to provide play and sports equipment for the youth in Northern Ontario

IODE Ontario's 100th Anniversary's Project Fun Phase Two: **Play It Forward**

President: _____ Email: _____

Please make Cheque payable to:

IODE Ontario
45 Frid Street, Suite 9
Hamilton ON L8P 4M3



100 Hoodies (and trackpants) for 100 Years!

By: Gloria Saunders and Virginia Reade, IODE Ontario Services Officers

To help mark **IODE Ontario's 100th anniversary**, Provincial Services will collect 100 hoodies (and track pants) at **the 100th Provincial Annual Meeting in 2020**.

At the 2019 Provincial Annual Meeting, guest speaker Nurse Sandra Chapman, who has worked in several remote northern communities for over a dozen years, told us how grateful they are to receive this type of clothing. Many times, when injured people arrive at the nursing station, their clothing is in a deplorable state or must be cut away to attend to their injuries. Then, when patients need to be airlifted south for further treatment, they have nothing to wear and must travel wrapped in blankets. Having a supply of loose-fitting clothing that can be put on the patients makes them more comfortable and affords them some dignity.

Hoodies and track pants are worn year-round in the northern communities. In the winter, they add an extra layer of warmth and during summer they are worn as protection against insects.

Hopefully you'll keep this in mind when building your 2020 Chapter budgets and allow you time to look for items at good prices. **All sizes from children to adult will be welcome.**

IODE Ontario Services thanks you in advance for your generosity!

The 2019 Provincial Annual Meeting Minutes are now available!



Please visit the IODE Ontario website to view!



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Downloading forms, certificates, guidelines, etc., from IODE Canada/IODE Ontario websites:

1. Go to www.iode.ca or www.iodeontario.ca (Make sure to bookmark this site for convenience.)
2. Under “Membership” scroll and click “ Members Resources”
3. Log using the password: IODEmember (case sensitive)
4. Click on appropriate IODE Forms & Documentation
5. Click to open needed forms or documentation. For example: to download Primary Chapter Annual Report form, double click Primary Chapter Annual Report or fillable Primary Chapter Annual Report
6. Open your download, fill, **save to your desktop** and print.

Echoes - IODE’s official publication

Echoes Officer: Stephney Flexhaug Email: echoes@iode.ca

Deadlines: Fall Issue - 01 June; Winter Issue - 01 November

Requirements: Send actual photos in B&W or colour; Digital photos by email or on disc of at least 300 dpi (dots per inch) in the following formats: jpg, eps, tiff or pdf. **Action** photos if possible. No newspaper clippings or photos & no cheque presentations please.

Provincial Calendar of Events

Send details about your event to the Communications Officer at: iodeontariocommunications@gmail.com. Please include: Your chapter name, date, time and location for the event, any cost to attend, how and where to buy tickets (if applicable) and a contact number or email for more information. Feel free to add links to your chapter website or Facebook page.

Life Membership

Application Form & Cheque must be received at the National Office at least 6 weeks prior to presentation of Life Memberships. Applying chapter retains one copy of the form and forwards copies for each to the jurisdictional chapters.

Provincial Life Membership- \$60.00 **Municipal** - \$60.00 **Primary** Life Membership - \$60.00

Important IODE Ontario Deadlines

Chapter Financial Statements:	Jan. 15	Primary Chapter Current Officers List:	Feb. 28
Primary Annual Reports:	Jan. 15	NAC & PEC Nomination Forms:	Nov. 1
Municipal Annual Reports:	Feb. 21	Treasurer’s Books Closing Date:	Dec. 31
Primary Chapter Membership List & Fees:	Feb. 28		

New IODE Membership Forms:

Send as soon as possible to Provincial (iodeontario@bellnet.ca) & National office (iodecanada@bellnet.ca). Copies to each jurisdictional level. New Member to IODE (new form in 2015) should be sent to the National Head Office. The office will inform jurisdictional chapters.



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Notice of Death Forms with Obituary notice as soon as possible to Provincial (iodeontario@bellnet.ca & National office (iodecanada@bellnet.ca) . Copies to each jurisdictional level. Complete the **Notice of Death Form** and send as soon as possible with the obituary directly to the National Office. Send copies as well to each jurisdictional chapter.

IODE Ontario Officers for 2019-2020

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Second Vice President: Helen Danby

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Assist. Membership: Gail McDiarmid
Services Officer: Gloria Saunders
Assistant Services Officer: Virginia Reade
Standard Bearer: Kathryn Weston

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By-Laws: Donna O'Reilly
100th Anniversary: Helen Danby
Prov. Annual Mtg: Shirley Ann Elms/Caroline Rodgers

Life Membership: Sheila DeJaegher
Hospitality: Joyce Erickson
Toronto Legacy: Mary K. Anderson/Karen Barker
War Memorial: Sandra Smith

Municipal Presidents

Ottawa: Elanor Brodie

Sarnia Lambton: Helen Danby

IODE Canada Board of Directors for 2019-2020

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Membership: Liz Hancock
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Education: Karen Dalton
Services: Jane Cushing
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National Annual Meeting: Jane Cushing & Karen Dalton
National Life Membership: Ruth Ann Butler



IODE Ontario

IODE Ontario Expanding its Social Media

IODE Ontario is celebrating its *100th Anniversary* in April 2020. We are working to spread the word about all that IODE has done in the past and what we are doing today.



Facebook: In an ongoing effort to keep our social media fresh and fun, we have added a new feature “*Trivia Tuesdays*” to the IODE Ontario Facebook Page. Each week a trivia question is posted, to test people’s knowledge of IODE in general and IODE Ontario as we count down to our 100th Anniversary. Answer to the question appears the following week. IODE members and chapters are sharing these posts, which all helps to increase the outreach and awareness of IODE to the broader community.

Now we have a second feature “*Monday Memories*” highlighting significant events throughout the past 100 years that would not have been possible without the involvement of IODE Chapters from across Ontario.

Remember to Like Us on Facebook www.facebook.com/iodeontario



Website: The provincial website, www.iodeontario.ca informs visitors of our programs and projects. The pages reflect our historical events as well as keeping you informed of achievements, milestones and current events that our chapters host throughout Ontario. It is also a resource for members.



Twitter: Follow us on Twitter @IODEOntario

If your chapter has an account, please follow us and we will follow you back



We are always pleased to hear from your Chapter and promote your events. Just **email** your information to iodeontario@gmail.com we will share it on our social platforms.

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Remember to recognize your Primary Chapter Members by submitting an application for Ontario Volunteer Service Awards

Adults are recognized by the length of time they've volunteered with one organization, ranging from five to 65 years of continuous service. Youth (24 years old and under) are recognized for two or more years of continuous service.

Who is eligible?

An organization can nominate up to nine volunteers, with a maximum of six adults.

Your nominee must be:

- a resident and volunteer in Ontario
- an active member in an organization that has existed for at least five years

You cannot nominate someone:

- who has passed away
- who has been paid for their volunteer work
- who volunteered the services as part of their regular work or professional responsibilities

Deadline: January 25

For additional information and the application form:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/honours-and-awards-volunteering>

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