

IODE Ontario

Since 1920

IODE ... women dedicated to a better Canada

A message from President Linda...

Someone once wrote: "What the new year brings to you will depend a great deal on what you bring to the new year."

Annual Reports: The Anniversary year 2020 started with a bang when YOU, our IODE Ontario family made the Provincial Chapter proud with your Annual Reports. You told us that you welcomed one or four new members into your chapter, that the Home Tour, flower sales or Apple Pie sales you orchestrated helped a women's shelter provide necessities for its residents or the scholarship and donations of books to your local schools were instrumental in the surge of enthusiasm for literacy and academic excellence among the students. You also related to us the euphoria you experienced while serving tea or luncheon for the veterans or the homeless in your community. These barely scratch the innumerable philanthropic work you have done in 2019 as you carry out the mandate and the mission of IODE.

When you hear the synopsis and read in its entirety the 2019 Annual Report pamphlet (which you will receive as a registrant at the 100th Anniversary Annual Meeting on April 24-25 to be held at the Best Western Brantford Hotel and Conference Centre) you too, will marvel at what you have achieved. Compiling and documenting your reports into the Annual Report book is seeing the "big picture." Thank you, thank you for submitting and another Thank you for doing it in a timely manner enabling your provincial officers to "weave" it into a narrative of your accomplishments!

Chapter Leadership: January or February are typically election months when your primary chapter selects the executive. These are dedicated women who voluntarily accept the challenge of helping direct the chapter's path towards sustainability. Some maybe doing it for the first time, some of you wearing more than one hats and for seemingly indefinite years of tenure. Our commendation and thanks to all returning and new officers! You have chosen to be one of the building blocks of your chapter and of the IODE infrastructure. Just a gentle reminder to please send your "Newly Elected Officers" form (usually filled by the Secretary) to the Provincial Office even if your officers are unchanged from last year. This will allow us to stay connected with you and keep our database accurate.

At the Provincial Chapter, I am extremely lucky and thankful to be supported by a dedicated team of officers who share my focus and passion for IODE and its membership. In September 2019, all primary chapter officers received a letter of introduction from their counterparts at IODE Ontario. The whole rationale is to let you know that the Provincial Officers are at your disposal, should your primary chapter officers have any questions, concerns or need direction. It is also a reminder that aside from being your jurisdictional chapter, IODE Ontario is always here for you.

Over....

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**PAM 2020
Registration Form
and Provisional
Agenda included
with this
Newsletter!**



Connecting with You: As Provincial President for 9 months now, I have been privileged to attend your meetings or events and become acquainted with the members of 9 chapters: IODE Confederation in Ridgetown, Eldon House in London, Hon. Malcolm Cameron of Sarnia, Margaret Stokes of Petrolia (twice), Golden Jubilee of Oshawa, Bridlewood of Toronto, Captain Garnet Brackin of Chatham, Victoria Guelph of Guelph and Maple Leaf Chapter in Goderich. I sincerely thank these chapters for inviting me and welcoming me so warmly. These visits to our primary IODE “families” gave me a glimpse and educated me on how each chapter work on their projects, how they plan and enact their membership recruitment strategies and the unique fellowship they enjoy as IODE members! This year I am looking forward to attending more meetings, learning from you and getting to know your members!

Provincial Annual Meeting: Do you know that each Provincial Annual Meeting (PAM) is YOUR meeting and a once-a-year opportunity to meet and network with fellow members (or even past members) from all parts of Ontario? Each year, the Provincial Chapter plans the PAM with YOU, the members in mind. The 2020 Provincial Annual Meeting is going to be a special Centennial version and the personal blue keepsake invitation you each received in late January is our way of saying “*We want to celebrate with you because you are important to us*”. IODE Ontario is diligently working in order to make it a memorable and enjoyable PAM, so please plan to attend. Send your 2020 registrations as early as possible; space is limited this year because of the size of the venue. For the first time, we will have a Primary Chapter Presidents’ Breakfast meeting, a Canadian Citizenship Re-affirmation ceremony, a unique fun night on Friday when we will be “Dressing for the Decades” and will be informed and re-energized as we “*Honour the Past and Embrace the Future*.”.

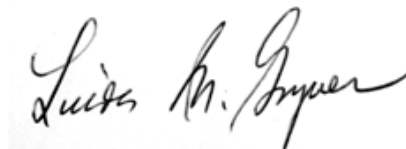
Membership: The start of this Anniversary year has been exhilarating when we receive reports of a significant influx of new member inquiries through the National and Provincial websites, as well as many new primary member installations. Congratulations to IODE Manitou Chapter who recently installed 4 new members at a meeting, as well as those chapters who have installed new members in January!!! Provincial Membership Officer, Caroline Rodgers of Ottawa has been very busy sending welcome letters from IODE Ontario and assisted by Assistant Membership Officer Gail MacDiarmid of Oakville and the Area Vice Presidents, this team is doing a fantastic job of following up on new member inquiries. Thank you!

Member Recognition: IODE Ontario values every primary chapter member and we believe in recognizing deserving members. Therefore, if you have members celebrating special birthdays or are receiving Life Memberships or being honoured for many years of service (from 10 to 70 years or beyond if any) we would love to join your chapter in recognizing and thanking these members. Please email us at iodeontario@gmail.com citing the particulars about a member. For example-If Jane Smith is celebrating her 90th birthday, please send us her date of birth and date of celebration. Or if your chapter is presenting members with a 10-20-50-year pin or any long-service pin, please pass this information to the Provincial Office by sending their names and date of presentation.

IODE Awareness Week: In conjunction with the 100th Anniversary of IODE Ontario and the National Volunteers Week, I recently communicated with your Presidents to engage and request your town or city municipal leaders to declare the week of April 20-27 as “IODE Awareness Week”. The Provincial Chapter is in the process of contacting the Provincial Members of Parliament with the same letters of engagement. Looking back into the past 100 years, it is amazing to note the myriad of ways that past and present IODE chapters have contributed to every community, town and city in Ontario. If we do not promote IODE, who will and if not now-when?

As you see, your Provincial Chapter has already brought a lot into the New Year. Let us jointly make 2020 not just a celebratory year but a very proactive IODE year when we make things happen to help those needy in our communities, to expand IODE by recruiting new members or starting a new chapter and to promote this wonderful organization which, for 100 years had made and continues to make a positive difference to our fellowmen and to Canada.

New York best selling author Mike Dooley said: *“Life’s not about expecting, hoping and wishing. It’s about doing, being and becoming.”* Let us each **do**, **be** and **become** that woman dedicated to a better IODE and hence a better Canada!



It's a Celebration!!

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



Come and Join us!

A Registration Form and Provisional Agenda are both included with this Newsletter!!



IODE Ontario: The Beginning

By Helen Danby, IODE Ontario Archivist

In February, we celebrated Founders' Day, the formation of IODE Canada in 1900 and Mrs. Margaret Polson Murray as its Founder. However, do you know when IODE Ontario was formed? Here is some background.

By 1918, there were 270 primary chapters in Ontario with over 10,000 members. Many IODE chapters formed during the World War 1 supported our Armed Forces and the families that they left behind.

In Ontario, there were 7 municipal chapters in existence to alleviate the work of the National Chapter. They were: Hamilton Municipal formed in 1902, Kingston Municipal 1906, London Municipal 1911, St. Catharine's Municipal 1912, Ottawa Municipal 1918, Toronto Municipal 1912, and Stratford Municipal 1917. By 1919, the Brantford Municipal and Cornwall Municipal were formed. At that time a municipal chapter acted as an intermediary chapter which gathered reports for the primary chapter, sending one main copy to IODE Canada. They also coordinated efforts of the primary chapter, giving a greater impact to the community through major projects such as hospitals and cenotaphs. All these chapters reported directly to National. A provincial chapter was needed to spread the workload and to unite the chapters in Ontario.

In 1919, a ballot to vote for the formation of the Provincial Chapter of Ontario was sent to all chapters within the province. A meeting of representatives of Municipal and Primary chapters was held in Hamilton on February 6, 1920. The members agreed to apply for a Provincial Charter, which was granted on April 23, 1920.

It was established that the Provincial Headquarters would be in Hamilton. Provincial Chapter President Margaret Gage Burkholder, (Mrs. Harry F.) from Hamilton was a National Councillor since 1918 and had a Hamilton Chapter named in her honour in 1916. She was the first Provincial President who served from 1920-1928.

The chapter executive consisted of:

Edith Griffin, 1st Vice-President, Hamilton

Isabel Rutter (Mrs. A. F.), 2nd Vice-President, Hamilton

Frances Rhodes (Mrs. Selwyn), Recording Secretary, Hamilton

Miss Margaret Edwards, Treasurer, Hamilton

Mary H. Malcolmson (Mrs. A. H.), Organizing Secretary (membership) St. Catharines

Mary H. Malcolmson (Mrs. A. H.), Services, St. Catharines

Miss Wilhelmina Gordon, Education Secretary, Kingston

Margaret Leitch (Mrs. A.W.), Public Relations and Junior Chapters, Hamilton

Bessie Mulock (Mrs. M. J.), Echoes Secretary, St. Catharines

Miss Ethel Raymond, Standard Bearer, Brantford

The Provincial Chapter provided a great impetus to recruiting and by the end of the first year, four Municipal (Chatham Municipal 1920 and Sault St. Marie 1920, Windsor Municipal 1921 and St. Thomas 1921) and 17 Primary Chapters were bestowed.

The first Annual Meeting of IODE Ontario was held at the Royal Connaught Hotel in Hamilton. There were over 500 members present to hear the reports and to be billeted by the Hamilton members.

Student Profile 2018-19

Prepared for IODE Ontario

Thank you for your leading support of Canada's National Ballet School through the Student Partner Program. We are pleased to present your annual Student Profile—a chance for your partnered student to share some of their experiences and achievements from the past school year.

Last year, NBS welcomed over 160 students to the Professional Ballet Program. Each of them was admitted on the basis of their talent alone, and nearly 80% required financial assistance to cover the costs associated with tuition, residence, travel, and other expenses. Nearly \$3.2 million in student financial assistance was needed last year.

The Student Partner Program covers a significant amount of this cost. The balance is covered by endowed funds, the annual NBS gala, and other operating revenue.

At NBS, excellence, access, and inclusion fuel our belief in sharing the transformational power of dance to change lives for the better. **Thank you** for embodying this conviction through your generous commitment, which gives talented young artists every opportunity to discover, develop, and pursue their full potential.

AVERY GRIERSON

Hometown: Etobicoke, ON

Entering: Grade 11

Years at NBS: 4

This past year at NBS was full of exciting opportunities. I feel prepared to take my training to the next level as I enter grade 11.

Throughout last year I was able to grow as a dancer and as a person through my training and performance opportunities. Being able to dance onstage makes me feel at home and reminds me of why I love to dance.

I got to take part in Spring Showcase last year which was a highlight for me because I got to perform. As a soloist in *La Bayadère* I was able to learn a lot and have fun dancing. I also learned more about the process in rehearsal before getting on stage which I think is very valuable.

As a dancer I have gained more flexibility, meaning that I have more freedom of movement in my dancing. This allows me to execute my movements better and allows me to be a better dancer.



I have also grown as an artist, my love for dancing growing and evolving with me.

I went on a summer exchange to the Princess Grace Academy in Monaco. It was an amazing opportunity to learn and grow, to meet new people and to be in such a beautiful place during the summer.



IODE Ontario Membership

By Caroline Rodgers, Membership Officer

Happy New Year everyone! 2020 is a year to celebrate! IODE turns 100, but I am sure you all know that. I would like to encourage each member to invite a friend to your next IODE meeting.

If you are a member of Facebook or other social media platforms and belong to a community page, remember to post your Chapters events and let everyone know what your Chapter is doing in your community.

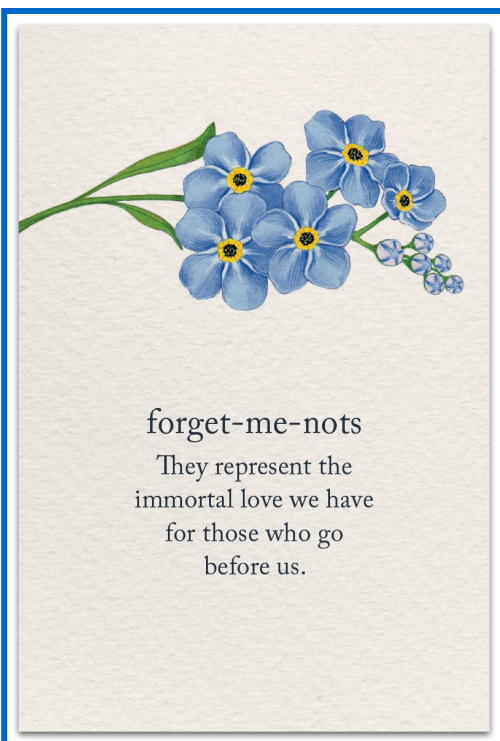
This is a way of getting IODE recognized. Please invite women in your community to a get together and see if they are interested in forming a new chapter. Don't be discouraged if the first time interest is not there, keep trying and you never know what will happen.

Social media can be used to your advantage. In that vein, please send me pictures of your new members and any celebrations, so we may celebrate your success with everyone on social media.

If you are a Trekkie, and one of Captain Picard, "Make it So"!

I encourage you to email me and give me your ideas on increasing membership. Also, let me know what your chapter does to increase and retain membership. You can connect with me at iode1stvice@gmail.com. I would like to hear from you!

I invite all of you to attend this PAM 2020. It is special and will offer you friendship, solidarity and renewed commitment to volunteerism.



Memories & Memorials

Let us not forget our IODE sisters.....

Patricia Lang, IODE Susie Sorabji Chapter

Terry Pimento, IODE Margaret Stokes Chapters,
Provincial Councillor (PEC) at IODE Ontario

Patricia Pinsonneault, IODE Cpt. Garnet Brackin Chapter

Christine Whitfield, IODE Bemersyde Chapter

Now **What is next?**

Project Fun Phase Two: **Play It Forward**

Project Fun 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 for 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

YOUR IODE at WORK

Getting a boost from IODE Captain Garnet Brackin Chapter!



From left: Dianne Blonde, Blair Newby (Museum Assistant Curator), Marianne Johnstone and Sandra Smith.

Kids interested in taking part in the Chatham-Kent Museum Imagination Station Kids' Club got a nice boost from the **IODE Captain Garnet Brackin Chapter**.

Thanks to another successful Christmas House Tour, the IODE Chapter donated \$1,000 for kids programming at the museum, which will pay the fee for 25 young people. Kids' Club is a monthly program at the museum, for one to one-and-a-half hours at The Imagination Station.

According to Blair Newby, Assistant Curator at the C-K Museum, "***we're very grateful for the IODE donation.***" It means more kids can participate in the program." Newby said.

IODE Chapter member, Marianne Johnston said the funds raised from the House Tour – **\$3,300** – are being distributed to organizations in the community.

Plympton-Wyoming mayor honours those who give back



Congratulations to our IODE Ontario President, Linda Gryner!

Linda was recently one of a select group of individuals that were honoured at a February 1, 2020 luncheon by Plympton-Wyoming Mayor, Lonny Napper.

An annual tradition in Plympton-Wyoming, the honorees were recognized at a ceremony at the Camlachie Community Centre. "***I just like to honour the people who make a difference in the community,***" says Mayor Napper.



Goodbye 2019 and Hello 2020!

By Gloria Saunders & Virginia Reade, IODE Ontario Services Officers

Another busy year for Services has come to an end and was capped off with our final packing of the year – *Toys for the North*.

On Monday, November 4th, IODE Dr. Elizabeth Bagshaw chapter members, one sister, one daughter and one dog met at the Provincial office to tackle this job. A total of 29 boxes full of toys, arts and crafts kits, snuggly toys and slippers were packed with a total value of \$8,826. A great big **THANK YOU** to the primary chapters for your generous donations of toys and thank you to the IODE Dr. Elizabeth Bagshaw Chapter members for your help. We love to have chapters come and help with the packings!

The year 2020 brings our 100th Anniversary!

As mentioned in the *Fall Newsletter*, [*we are aiming to collect 100 hoodies and track pants at the Provincial Annual Meeting/100th Anniversary celebrations in April.*](#) When doing your shopping for this event, please remember as well as children's sizes, we are always in need of these items for teens and adults.



Santa's little helpers, Melanie Lupal and Pam Susnyar (IODE Dr. Elizabeth Bagshaw Chapter) help IODE Ontario Services Officer Virginia Reade (centre) to prepare boxes for shipment.



VOLUNTEERS...Make it Happen!

By Shirley Ann Elms, IODE Ontario Citizenship Officer

Volunteers often do their work quietly, often without fanfare. But, without the dedication of a force of people willing to give their time and share their expertise, many programs would not flourish, many would not even exist. IODE members are members of that very special group of people - giving up their leisure time to ensure a project is finished on schedule, the baking is just perfect and yes, the often dreaded paperwork is completed.

As primary chapters complete their annual reports and hold their annual general meetings, members are taking a moment to reflect on the meaning of volunteerism in their own communities. As we celebrate the first century of IODE Ontario service we realize as IODE members we have supported hundreds of thousands of people.



Throughout Canada when needed, they are there....attending Citizenship Courts, offering a warm smile to new Canadians; awarding scholarships and bursaries; providing books to schools and libraries; collecting clothing to keep children warm, ensuring healthy minds and bodies through sports and music and helping through breakfast and lunch programs.

We have supported First Responders and our troops at home and abroad; placing wreaths at Remembrance Services; sending cards, letters and ditty bags. Chapters have supported these programs by using funds raised through thrift shops, baking, sewing, hosting socials and wine and cheese evenings and other fundraising efforts. We have supported our national chapter with dona-

tions to the many IODE Canada programs and our communities with many more.

Thank you for all you do in the name of IODE and I look forward to reading your chapter's good works and achievements in the name of IODE!





The IODE Police Community Relations Award

By Shirley Ann Elms, IODE Ontario Citizenship Officer

The IODE Police Community Relations Award was established in 1972 and is one way IODE Ontario and the primary chapters can say thank you to a deserving member of our Ontario Provincial Police. Much like our own members, many members of the OPP spend their off duty hours offering their time to ensure a better quality of life in their communities. They do it by coaching a sports team, mentoring youth, initiating safety and other community enhancement programs and many other activities where they find they can make a difference. In addition to helping out closer to home, since 1995, *over 125 OPP officers have participated in deployments in 17 countries* (source: Ontario Provincial Police, Twitter account, @OPP_News).

The expenses associated with awarding the IODE Police Community Relations Award are reliant on the generosity of primary chapter members. To ensure this award can continue to be offered to a well deserving member of the OPP, I am asking primary chapters to consider a contribution to the **Provincial Citizenship Fund**.



2018 IODE Police Community Relations Recipient



2019 IODE Police Community Relations Recipient

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



PAM 2020:

A century of Service...Honouring our Past, Embracing our Future



IODE Ontario is celebrating a century of service during 2020. Plans for this year's Provincial Annual Meeting are well underway and you should have recently received your personal invitation to the 2020 Provincial Annual Meeting in your mailbox. The registration form was included with your invitation. You can return it with your payment to secure your space at this special PAM. The registration form included in this Newsletter and is also available on the IODE Ontario website iodeontario.ca.

Your organizing committee has been working hard to provide you with a celebration worthy of the service IODE Ontario women have provided over the past ten decades. In addition to the annual reports we have planned a movie, awards, early bird draws, door prizes, excellent food, a special ceremony, a guest speaker and a fun Friday night.

This is **YOUR** party! We look forward to seeing you at the Best Western Hotel and Conference Centre, Brantford Ontario, on April 24 & 25, 2020!



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@bellnet.ca OR iodeontario@gmail.com to report new email addresses and corrections.



IODE Ontario

100th Provincial Annual Meeting

April 24 & 25, 2020

Best Western Brantford Hotel & Conference Centre

19 Holiday Drive, Brantford

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

IODE _____ Chapter _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Pls. Check First Time Attendee? Attending Primary Presidents' Breakfast Meeting?

**** Dietary Restrictions** _____

**** You will be charged for alternate meals if dietary restrictions are not specified here.**

After April 1

A.) FULL Registration: Includes Friday & Saturday Luncheons, Afternoon Break & Friday Dinner "Dressing for the Decades" Fun Night, Registration Package & Giveaways, Annual Report, Displays, Shopping with Chapters, Provincial Executive Committee meeting (Open to all members), 100th Anniversary Presentation, "Meet n' Greet", "Dressing for the Decades" Dinner (Attendees encouraged to come dressed in decade of your choice), Opening Ceremonies, IODE Ontario Police Community Relations Award, IODE Jean Throop Book Award, Reaffirmation of Citizenship, Guest Speaker, Membership Award Presentations and Installation of Officers \$200 \$220

B.) FRIDAY ONLY Day Registration: Includes Top Sirloin Buffet Luncheon, Afternoon Refreshment Break, Registration Package & Giveaways, IODE Annual Report, Displays, Shopping with Chapters, Provincial Executive Committee meeting open to all members, 100th Anniversary Presentation and Q&A. (NOTE: Does NOT include (C) Friday Dinner Fun Night) \$70 \$80

C.) FRIDAY DINNER OPTION: "Dressing for the Decades" Fun Night Includes Plated Dinner, "Dressing for the Decades" Fun Night, (Come Dressed in your decade of choice). \$55 \$65

D.) SATURDAY ONLY Day Registration: Includes Primary Chapter Presidents Breakfast Meeting, New Attendees Breakfast, Opening Ceremonies, Plated Luncheon, Afternoon Refreshment Break, Registration Package, Giveaways, Annual Report, Displays, Shopping with Chapters, IODE Ontario Police Community Relations Award, IODE Ontario Jean Throop Book Award, Guest Speaker, Membership Award Presentations, Installation of Officers. \$90 \$100

E.) Additional GUEST LUNCH OPTIONS:

Friday Buffet Luncheon _____ Nos. @ \$25.00 each _____ \$ _____

Saturday Plated Luncheon _____ Nos. @ \$35.00 each _____ \$ _____

TOTAL of Cheque payable to IODE Ontario \$ _____

Send completed Registration Form **before April 1st, 2020** to be eligible to win Early Registration prizes of:

- One Night Stay at Best Western Brantford**
- or One Night Stay at the Admiral Inn Hamilton**
- or Pair of VIA Rail Business Class tickets**

Send to: IODE Ontario
Caroline Rodgers, Registrar
45 Frid St., Suite 9, Hamilton ON L8P 4M3

For Office Use Only

Date Received: _____

Amount Paid: _____

No Refunds after April 10th, 2020. Refund requests must be in writing.
A fillable Registration form is available on www.iodeontario.ca Must be mailed with your cheque to the Registrar.

(Additional information on reverse side)

Accommodation Booking Info for Best Western Brantford

19 Holiday Drive, Brantford, Ontario

Quote Group Code: IODE

Call direct: 1-(519) 753-8651

Toll Free: 1- (877) 341-1234

By email: reservations@bestwestern.com

Through website www.bestwestern.com

Address: 19 Holiday Drive, Brantford

Best Western Rewards participant

Room Rates: \$139 for two double beds + \$18.07 HST=\$157.07 (includes Hot Breakfast)

Suites: \$159 + \$20.67 HST=\$179.67 (includes Hot Breakfast) Hotel Check in 3:00 p.m. Check out- 11:00 a.m.

Directions: *From London:* Take 401 East then 403 East Brantford/Hamilton. ***From Ottawa & Toronto:*** Take 401 W, then In Toronto take QEW (Hamilton) to 403 West Brantford/Hamilton. Then follow directions below:

From 403, take exit 38 onto Wayne Gretzky Pkwy. Turn right. After 150 meters turn left onto Holiday Drive. Your destination is on your left.

VIA RAIL Discount Booking Information

VALID:	April 22, 2020 to April 28, 2020
TERRITORY:	From all stations throughout the VIA system to Brantford, Ontario and return.
RESTRICTIONS:	Fare applies to a maximum of two passengers per booking. One complimentary stopover is allowed at no additional charge. For travel on all fare plans in Business class, the first stopover is allowed at no additional charge, provided that this stopover takes place in Toronto, Montréal or Ottawa only.
DISCOUNT:	10% off the best available fare in Economy, Economy Plus, Business, Business Plus, Sleeper class. "Subject to the conditions and restrictions of the fare plan to which the additional discount is being applied."
EXCEPTION:	Discount does not apply in any Escape fares and Prestige Class.
IDENTIFICATION:	Must reference the IODE VIA convention discount code:14079
TO BOOK:	Phone 1-888-VIA-RAIL (842-7245) or www.viarail.ca

Available For Sale during PAM 2020! Two Anniversary Limited Edition books!

“Celebrating A Century of Service: 1920 – 2020: A History of Ontario IODE Chapters’ Names”

(compiled by Gwyneth Harkin)

“A Century of Memorable Ontario IODE Women”- a 100th Anniversary Committee project that started three years ago. Message from Honourable Lieutenant Governor Elizabeth Dowdeswell. A compilation of tributes, vignettes, biographical and historical bits of information about 132 past and present IODE Ontario members who, in a myriad of ways, have made and still making a difference, contributed, left an indelible imprint, served in the Canadian Forces, were First Responders, influenced, mentored and inspired others.



IODE Ontario
100th Provincial Annual Meeting
April 24 & 25, 2020
PROVISIONAL AGENDA

*"Honouring our Past and
 Embracing our Future"*

Friday April 24th, 2020

- 8:30 a.m. Registration
 Lobby
- Myra's Breakfast
 8:30 a.m. Set-up of Displays and Shopping with Chapters
 Lobby & AGB
- 10:30 a.m. Provincial Executive Committee meeting
 AGB **All Members are invited to attend.**
- 12:00 p.m. All Members Buffet luncheon (Myra's)
 Lobby Registration
- 1:20 p.m. Special 100th Anniversary Presentation Preamble
 AGB
- 1:30 p.m. Special 100th Anniversary Presentation
 AGB "The Grizzlies" followed by Q&A
- 3:45 p.m. Smudging Ceremony
 Seminar Rm. #3 (beside Wayne Gretzky Rm.)
- 4:00 p.m. Nutrition Break/Registration
 Lobby
- 5:30 p.m. Meet n' Greet (Cash Bar)
 Myra's Bar
- 6:30 p.m. "Dressing for the Decades"
 AGB Fun Night" Plated Dinner & Fashion
- 9:30 p.m. "All Members' Come & Go
 Wayne Party" (hosted by President
 Gretzky Linda) Everyone is Invited to
 Room have fun and have
 (1st Anniversary Cake.
 Floor)

* AGB-Alexander Graham
 Bell Room

Saturday April 25th, 2020

- 8:30 a.m. Registration
 Lobby
- 8:00 a.m. Primary Chapter Presidents' Breakfast
 Myra's 1st Time Attendees Breakfast with the Provincial Officers
 8:30 a.m. Displays and Shopping with Chapters
 Lobby/AGB
- 10:00 a.m. Processional/Opening of the 100th Annual Meeting
 10:15 a.m. O Canada/IODE Prayer/Introductions
 10:35 a.m. Life Membership Presentation
 IODE Ontario Jean Throop Book Award
 AGB Presentation of the 2019 Annual Reports
 Hon. Lieutenant Governor, Elizabeth Dowdeswell Message
 Carol McCall, IODE Canada President address
 Provincial President Linda Gryner
 IODE Ontario Police Community Relations Award
- 11:38 a.m. Affirmation of Citizenship Ceremony with Col. Michael Scott
 12:00 p.m. All Members Plated Luncheon (AGB)
 1:20 p.m. Guest Speaker-Karen Dalton, IODE Canada 2nd Vice President
- 2:00 p.m. Membership Awards Presentation
 AGB Education Awards Presentation
- 100th Anniversary "Play it Forward" update
 Announcement of Early Bird/Quilt Draw Winners
 Voting results for Provincial and National Councillors
- 3:20 p.m. Installation of 2020-2021 IODE Ontario Executive
 Closing Remarks by President
- 3:40 p.m. Singing of "God Save the Queen" /Recessional
- 3:50 p.m. IODE Ontario Officers' Receiving Line
 Nutrition Break & Goodbyes (Lobby)
- 4:00 p.m. Dismantling of Displays
 4:15 p.m. New Executive Photo Shoot with Wayne in AGB or lobby

NOTE: To help us plan YOUR future Provincial Annual Meetings, please give us your input through the **PAM Report Cards** which can be taken home and submitted by mail or scan to email to: iodeontario@gmail.com
Thank you for joining us and Safe Drive Home!

IODE Prayer

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we praise Thee for the blessings of our homes; for the fullness of life and opportunity in this Dominion; and for the ties which bind us together within our Commonwealth. We beseech Thee to bless our Queen and Royal Family, and to guide and direct all who sit in authority over us. Grant Thy protection, we pray Thee, to those who serve Queen and Country, on sea and land and in the air. May right triumph and the spirit of brotherhood prevail throughout the world. Pardon our sins and accept our Thanksgiving. Give to each member grace to serve Thee faithfully and to labour loyally for the welfare of our country, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Affirmation of IODE

I will support the Mission of IODE
and will be governed by the Constitution of
IODE.

God Save the Queen

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen;
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us,
God save the Queen.



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100th Provincial Annual Meeting

Provisional Agenda

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19 Holiday Drive, Brantford, ON**

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