

## WOMEN'S INSTITUTE WEEK

**February 19-25, 2018**

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**WHEREAS:** For 121 years, Women's Institute members have actively worked together for family, home, community and country. The objective of the first Women's Institute branch, formed in Stoney Creek on February 19, 1897, was to improve women's skills in the art of homemaking and childcare; and

**WHEREAS:** The Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario (FWIO) was organized in 1919, giving Members a stronger voice by working together as a united group. Through education, support programs and services, FWIO's original focus expanded to include personal growth opportunities, government lobbying and health and community wellness projects; and

**WHEREAS:** Today, FWIO has approximately 3,500 Members in over 280 Branches across Ontario; and

**WHEREAS:** The Bond Head Women's Institute was formed over 90 years ago, and the Tec We Gwill Women's Institute was founded in 1947, providing women in southern Simcoe County a place to learn, share and support one another and our community.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

That His Worship Mayor Rob Keffer and Members of Council proclaim February 19-25, 2018 as WOMEN'S INSTITUTE WEEK in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A FLAG RAISING AND CELEBRATION**

The flag raising will take place on Monday, February 19, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.  
in front of the BWG Courthouse at 57 Holland Street East