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**NEXT GENERAL MEETING: April 2nd, 2019**  
**At the Recplex**  
**SPEAKER: Kathy Dunnett, Grandmothers to Grandmothers Org.**

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, March 2019**



Happy Spring to all our members. I trust you have had enough of winter this year and are ready to enjoy the blue sky, sunshine and warmer weather. April is that time of year when we start looking for nominations for the Management Committee for next year.

Remember the vote is in August at the official end of our current year. All positions are open and no previous experience is required, just the desire to help the club to be successful especially with some new ideas and events. So, for a couple of days a month of your time you can be a great asset and have some fun as well. Please see Paul Edwards, Doris Willis or myself to add you name to the list.

Don't forget our Silent Auction in May. Bring your "cherished treasures" in and take some new ones home.

Our Social Committee has great plans for the summer months of July and August so stay tuned for all the details.

Enjoy the warm temperatures and sunshine and start planning your gardening for 2019.

See you on April 2nd at the Recplex.

Dennis Moise  
President.

## **MARCH MEETING:**

Thanks to **Kathy and John Dunnett** for being our March greeters.

If you wish to be a greeter, please sign up at the membership table.

Thanks were given to **Joan and Michael Smith** for the table décor and to **Sheila Dobson & John Norwood** for providing our refreshments.

Thanks to **all Volunteers** who work so hard to make our club a success.

## **GUESTS and MEMBERSHIP:**

2 guests were introduced. 68 members attended the meeting. We have 159 paid memberships.

## **LUCKY DRAW WINNERS:**

**\$27.00 for each: Molly Gorman and Bill Frost**  
Hugh Kedey officiated the draws.

**PLEASE BUY TICKETS AT THE LUCKY DRAW TABLE BEFORE THE MEETING STARTS.**

## **GUEST SPEAKER:**

Patrice McCammon introduced speaker Kayla Cusak from Dog Guides Canada who gave a very good slide presentation and explained the wonderful services that are provided by the organization. Kayla was accompanied by WAGS, a golden retriever, who with the assistance of Kayla demonstrated some of the skills which she has learned and is still learning in the program. There were many questions from the membership, as the presentation was very well done and well received.

## **SCHEDULE OF FUTURE SPEAKERS:**

May - Larry Fox, Author of "Cold War Warrior"

\*Susan Mogelin has volunteered to assist Patrice with the Speakers portfolio.

## **BUSINESS REPORT:**

- Silent Auction is in May. Reminder to start putting good (no junk) items aside for it. Patrice McCammon will assist Betty Baker.

## **SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

If you want to join a group, call the convener listed below. If you wish to start a new group, speak to the **Management Team.**

### PM Luncheon Cuisiners

**Joan Porter - 429-9260**

### Genealogy

**Sandra Hanson - 422-0227**

### First Edition

**Sharon Wood - 429-4691**

### Happy Bookers

**Jan Bivall - 429-7584**

### The Bookies

**Tom Donohue - 429-0644**

### Kitchen Bridge

**Betty Keyes - 429-6064**

### Euchre Night

**Jayne Edwards - 422-0793**

**Doug McCullough - 429-7075**

### Book Exchange

**Rita Bencquista - 705-429-1911**

### Dinner & a Movie

**Ron Hanson - 705-422-0227**

## GOODWILL CONVENER:

If you know of someone who should receive a get well wish or a message of condolence, please advise Betty Baker: [betty.b@rogers.com](mailto:betty.b@rogers.com)

## THE ARCHIVES:

If you have anything worth archiving in our records or would like to look up anything from our past newsletters, please submit them to **Dennis Moise** our Archivist. [Dennis.moise@gmail.com](mailto:Dennis.moise@gmail.com)

BOOK EXCHANGE: For the Love of Reading Book Exchange Program - Exchange your previously Loved Book for a New Adventure! Contact Rita Benacquista - 705-429-1911




FIRST EDITION BOOK CLUB: "The Home for Unwanted Girls" by Joanna Goodman. The book is a historical novel set in Quebec during the 1950's when hostilities divided French and English-speaking Canadians. The story reflects the shame of unwed mothers and their offspring. Fifteen year old Maggie gives up her daughter Elodie to an orphanage. Many Catholic orphans during this time are transitioned to mental asylums to receive more funding per child per government. The book reflects the brutality, neglect and abuse suffered by the children while there. It also illustrates the difficulties experienced due to lack of knowledge and experience when the orphans are released into society. The book ends when the mother and her daughter are reunited. The book was well received by all and rated 4.5. Submitted by Violet Svirplys.

THE BOOKIES BOOK CLUB: "The Nine Lives of Charlotte Taylor" by award winning Canadian journalist, Sally Armstrong. It tells the account of the author's 3X great grandmother. Some of the facts in the book are true which made the story seem very believable. Charlotte is one of the first European female settlers in New Brunswick in the 1700's. We are introduced to the historical hardships of pioneer men, women and the MicMac. Charlotte Taylor was a strong, spirited and resourceful individual and we all found it an interesting and informative story. We rated it 4.5 out of 5. Submitted by Tom Donohue.

THE HAPPY BOOKERS: "Dark Dark Wood" by Ruth Ware. Lenora is a reclusive writer, unwilling to leave her apartment unless absolutely necessary. When a friend she hasn't spoken to in years unexpectedly invites her to a weekend away she reluctantly agrees. What should have been a cozy and fun filled getaway deep in the English Countryside takes a sinister turn and becomes a suspenseful compulsive and darkly twisted psychological thriller. We rated it as a 3.65 and we would recommend it. Submitted by Joanne Scruton

SMILES AND CHUCKLES: Wife texts husband one cold winter morning, "Windows frozen, won't open, help". Husband texts back "Pour some lukewarm water over it and gently tap the edges with a hammer" Wife texts back 10 minutes later " Computer is really messed up now!"

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT - UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	COST	DETAILS	SIGN-UP
<b>THE FOLLOWING EVENTS WERE CANCELLED</b>			Please get your refund at the social committee table, if you have not already obtained it	
1- Sleigh ride				
2- Tour of Side Launch Brewery				
3- Neil Diamond Tribute Band				
<b>INTEREST SHEETS</b> for upcoming events			Please sign if interested	
Wednesday April 17th	<b>Tour starts 10:00 am AGNORA GLASS</b> 200 Mountain Rd; Collingwood <b>Note time change</b> A new reminder sheet is available at the social committee table should you wish one		Lunch 11:30 to 1:00 The Curly Willow 141 Pine St, Collingwood  ➤ You will be reminded of your pre-selected lunch upon arrival at the restaurant	
Thursday May 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Play - Where You Are</b> 2:00 p.m. Theatre Orangeville 87 Broadway St.	\$33.00	Dinner to follow–  ANGEL'S DINER 33 Broadway, Orangeville	Last sign-up is April
Tuesday May 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Tour starts 11:00 am Beattie's Distillery</b> 6673 Line 13, Alliston	\$10.00 includes sampler	Lunch to follow 1:00 pm The Symposium 117 Young St, Alliston	Last sign-up is April
Thursday May 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Roy Orbison -All Star Tribute</b> 7:30 p.m. Orillia Opera House ,1 West Street North	\$40.00	*No dinner planned by the committee	Last sign-up is April
Tuesday June 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TOUR starts 1:00 pm – QUALITY HOMES</b> 7307 Sideroad 5 W, Kenilworth	\$10.00 cash refundable upon arrival at the event	LUNCH follows ➤ THE SPOT 311157 Highway 6 North, Mount Forest	Sign-up April-May-June
Friday June 28th	<b>Looking for Elvis and the Man in Black</b> 8:00 p.m. Orillia Opera House 1 West Street North	\$20.00	This is a Choreography / dance production *No dinner planned by the committee	Tickets on sale April and May

**REMINDER - Please bring your cheque book to the meetings! NO CHEQUE.....NO SIGN-UP!**

**CLARIFICATION FOR NO-COST EVENTS** For events that don't have a cost, to hold your spot, you must pay \$10.00 cash (or a set amount) which will be refunded to you ONLY upon arrival at the event. If you must cancel, or you do not show up for the event, the money is non-refundable.

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING Tuesday April 2nd , 2019 At the Recplex**

Come at 9:30 for coffee and fellowship. Note: Submissions for the April Newsletter should be sent to Jayne Edwards, [jpedwards@live.ca](mailto:jpedwards@live.ca) by April 26<sup>th</sup>.

# Photo Gallery



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Lucky Draw Winners Molly Gorman and Bill Frost



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