



# The Wasagan



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## JULY GENERAL MEETING

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

for

2005-2006 Term

*followed by: A Lively Game of Trivial Pursuit*

The following slate of Officers is presented by your Nominating Chairperson:

President:	Ray Porter	Goodwill:	Lynda Trimble
Vice-President:	Chris Armstrong	Membership:	Deborah Ferris
Treasurer:	Harry Durrant	Social:	Joan Porter
Secretary:	Doris Willis	Refreshments:	Orlene & John Fost
Past President:	Luci Worch	Speakers:	Betty Baker
50/50:	Kay Knab	Newsletter:	Mary & Mike McCluskey

While some members have already signed up to help on various Committees, more people are needed. The Social Committee, especially, would like someone (or a team) to join their group who would take over the Social Committee Leadership next year.

## JUNE GENERAL MEETING

Our community moment was brought by Jay Wilson of Theatre Collingwood who treated us to an excellent musical rendition about events to be presented by the theatre in the near future.

Our Featured Speaker was Alison Fitzgerald, Executive Director of "My Friend's House" in Collingwood. This is a non-profit shelter for women and their children escaping from a less than perfect home life. Their services include providing a safe refuge, and giving support and counseling in a respectful, non-judgmental and dignified environment.

When the Board and Executive were making decisions regarding policy, rules and regulations for the Shelter, it was of paramount importance to them that the children should feel comfortable with any sensitive questions that might arise in school from their classmates. Because the children's issues were critical and confidential, the Executive wanted to make it



as easy for the children as they could. Thus if anyone asked them, they could tell their classmates that they were going to "my friend's house".

Alison gave us a very interesting and informative presentation about her organization and its place in the community.

Alison was born in Carleton Place, a town outside of Ottawa.

After graduating as a Social Services Worker, she worked at Green Haven Shelter in Orillia for a period of time. Allison then came to Collingwood as a Crisis Counselor and moved to Executive Director of My Friend's House in 1998.

## PAST SOCIAL EVENTS

**BOAT CRUISE & DINNER - Tuesday, June 21st - Midland Dock.**

75 members turned out for the cruise, a Beachcomber record for such an event. It was wonderful to see so many people out enjoying themselves. The scenery was beautiful, the conversations were animated, and even the short periods of rain showers did not dampen the party. The 2 1/2 hr cruise was over much too quickly. Most of the group then went for dinner at **Mom's**, where more socializing took place. Our photographers, Luci & Doris, took many photo's which will show up in our Club Albums. Have a look, you might be there!

## UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 20<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL BBQ**  
**Noon – 5:00 pm Heritage Park, Elmvale**  
**Cost – \$5.00 for Members (\$10.00 for Non-members)**

As it was last year, this will be a catered event, with roast beef on a Kaiser, and lots of salads, desserts, coffee, tea, water, drinks, etc. There will be old fashioned games such as water balloon and egg toss, for us to show off our athletic skills. Many prizes and door prizes are ready to be won. All we need is you!

**Remember to bring your lawn chair.**

**Tickets are on sale today.** 90 people have signed up to date and it looks like a sell-out again this year.

## FUTURE EVENTS....

**Annual GOLF DAY Marlwood Golf Club Tuesday, August 16 @ 2:00 pm**  
**Cost - \$45.00 (for 9 holes of Best Ball Golf, a cart, a steak dinner and lots of prizes**  
After the round of golf, there will be a **Putting Contest** (3 balls for \$1.00). Dinner will be served at 6:30 pm. For those interested in the dinner only, the cost will be \$12.00. There will be a raffle for a batch of wine (\$115 value) and lots of door prizes. Frank Tate will be our M/C and Bill Travis will help with distributing the prizes.

***Those wishing to Golf, please sign up today, so the teams can be made up. Golfers will be graded – "good, fair, and willing".*** Also, if anyone would like to donate a prize, see Marilyn Ruse.

**SILENT AUCTION September 6 General Meeting @ Wasaga Stars Arena**  
**Cost - \$7.50 (includes lunch and auction tickets). Extra auction tickets only 10 for \$1.00**



Collecting of Auction articles will start at the August General Meeting. We would ask that these donated (new or gently used) items be worth \$10 – 20. This event has been getting better each year. Let's continue the trend. Sign up today!!

**Please mark these dates on your calendar:**

Mystery Car Tour	Wednesday, October 12 <sup>th</sup> .
Georgian Downs Dinner & Racing	Friday, November 18 <sup>th</sup> .
Christmas Party @ Collingwood Legion	Friday, December 2 <sup>nd</sup> .

More details will be given in future issues of the Wasagan.

**Lucky Draw Winners from June Meeting –**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize of \$50.00 was won by Harry Durrant.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize of \$30.00 was won by Rod Ranta.

**SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

* Happy Bookers Book Club	Contact	Joanne Scruton	422-0976
* Dinner at our Place Club	Contact	Betty Keyes	429-6064
* Afternoon Luncheon Cuisiners	Contact	Joanne Scruton	422-0976
* Golfing Around	Contact	Bill Travis	422-1148
* Restaurant Dinner Club	Contact	Diane Nagel	428-3209
* Fair Weather Walkers	Contact	Gary Willis	429-7835

The **Dinner at our Place Club** meets at different host houses monthly, with a group of 8 people at each house who rotate duties of preparing the appetizers, main entree, and dessert. They are still looking for people who are interested in being an occasional substitute when regular members are not available, and will also take the names of others who would like to participate in forming the next group of 8 people. It's a great way to get to know our members better. Call Betty Keyes at 429-6064 for more information.

The **Happy Bookers Book Club** members are taking the summer off. At the September meeting, members will be reporting on a mystery of their own choosing. If you are interested in being a part of this "scholarly" group, contact Joanne Scruton, the Coordinator.

The **Fair Weather Walkers** meet every Friday at 1:30 pm at the Blueberry Trail Parking Lot. Contact Luci Worch or Gary Willis for more detail. The walk lasts about an hour and the coffee break after the walk is worth the effort. **Show up any Friday!**

The **Afternoon Luncheon Cuisiners** meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 11:30 am. Each person takes a turn hosting the lunch which is run as an organized pot luck. They are hoping to expand to two manageable groups of 10 people each, with the idea of interchange of people from time to time. Why don't you give Joanne Scruton a call at 422-0976 to get more information?

The **Restaurant Dinner Club** is a group of some 60 members dedicated to the proposition that retirement is more than cooking. They go to different restaurants in the area every other month. **Call Diane Nagel at 428-3209** if you are interested in joining the group or you can recommend a good restaurant in the area.



## **DON'T FORGET....**

- The Secretary's Minutes of the last General Meeting and the Treasurer's Summary of the Club's finances are posted on the Bulletin Board for your information. Please read them! Check it for details of other activities taking place in the community as well.
- Please pass the information on sickness, hospital stays, or deaths of our members to our Goodwill Convener (Lynda Trimble - 429-3402). Get-well Wishes, Best Wishes, Condolences to anyone we may have missed this month.
- Our New Members Ambassador, Betty Keyes, is always available to give you information about our Club and its activities. She can be reached at 429-6064, if you miss her at the General Meeting or other Club activities.

## **BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES**

To those who celebrated in June, we wish you many happy returns.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Our membership is presently at 198. Renewal forms have been handed out or mailed to every present member. Your completed renewal with the annual fee of \$25 must be received on or before Aug. 2. We have a waiting list of 18 people who will be offered memberships if our present members have not renewed by Aug 2.

For those of you wondering, an order for Club Name Badges will be made in early September. This will allow us to include any new members that are added.

## **THE LAST WORD:**

As you know, your Newsletter Editors took the last two months off to do a little vacationing and visiting of family. After driving 16,000 km through 15 States and 5 Provinces, it was good to get home. In our absence, Margie & Lindsay Brannen filled in for us and did an admirable job.

### **THANK YOU.**

As our year of office comes to an end, we want to thank everyone for their support in supplying information to fill these pages. Without your input, it wouldn't have happened. As we turn our duties over to our successors, Mary & Mike McCluskey, we ask that you give them the same support and encouragement.

**Next General Meeting**

**August 2, 2005**

**at the RecPlex Oakview Community Centre**

Speaker from Habitat for Humanity

Arrive at 9:30 to enjoy coffee or tea with your friends prior to the meeting at 10:00

### **Management Team**

President:	Luci Worch	422-0062	Goodwill:	Lynda Trimble	429-3402
Vice-President:	Ray Porter	429-9260	Membership:	Deborah Ferris	429-4977
Treasurer:	Maureen Parkes	422-0077	Social:	Joan Porter	429-9260
Secretary:	Doris Willis	429-7835	Refreshments:	Orlene & John Fost	429-9479
Past President:	Diane Nagel	428-3209	Speakers:	Diane Nagel	428-3209
			50/50:	Jean Gibson	429-8039