



# The Wasagan



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**Joanne Millie 352-2860**

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

**Anne Laporte 429-6261**

## OTHER COMMITTEES

REFRESHMENTS:

**John Norwood &  
Sheila Dobson 429-9719**

NEW MEMBERS:

**Kathy Dunnett 352-0100**

LUCKY DRAW:

**Eveline & Hugh Kedej 429-6923**

DECORATIONS:

**Carol Stonehouse 352-0622**

GOODWILL CONVENOR:

**Betty Baker 422-1909**

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**Jayne Edwards 422-0793**

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**NEXT GENERAL MEETING: December 4th, 2018**  
**At the Recplex**  
**Christmas Celebrations and Worsley School Band**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE, November 2018



Happy Holidays to all the Beachcomber members. It's that time of year again when holiday celebrations begin with bright lights on our houses to decorations in the living room and extra special food in the kitchen. Time for families to get together and enjoy each other. What a wonderful time of year.

I think Mother Nature turned her clock back too far and we have already started winter. I only turned my clock back by one hour but she seems to have turned hers back by one whole month. However, the holidays do look nicer with a little snow on the ground.

We have a terrific December meeting coming with a local school band to play for us and some singing from our famous "Betty's Boppers", Christmas style. Please join in on our annual cookie exchange so we can enjoy homemade delectables at coffee time.

We will continue this year with our donations of non-perishable food for the Food Bank and our collection of toys as well. Please participate if you can.

I hope you all have your tickets for our Christmas Dance. It was wonderful last year and I think it will be just as good this year.

**As your President, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year with even better times coming.**

Sincerely

Dennis Moise -President.

## NOVEMBER MEETING:

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

Thanks were given to **Carol Stonehouse** for the table décor and to **Sheila Dobson & John Norwood** for providing our refreshments.



Thanks were also given to all those Volunteers who work so hard to make our club a success.

## GUESTS and MEMBERSHIP:

Four guests were introduced. 97 members attended the meeting. 3 new memberships were signed. We have 152 paid memberships.

## LUCKY DRAW WINNERS:

**First Prize - \$54.00**

Ron Searle

**Second Prize - \$34.00**

Joyce Throop

**Third Prize - \$28.00**

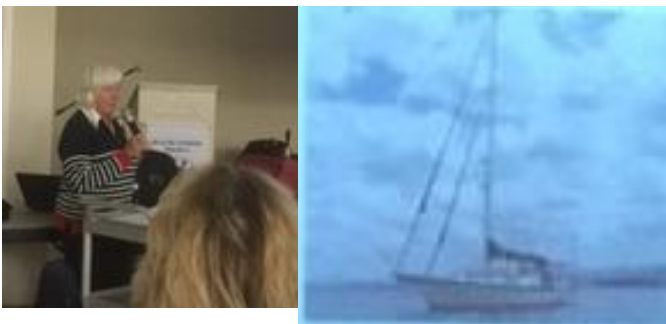
Molly Gorman



Hugh Kedey officiated the draws.

**PLEASE BRING COINS TO THE LUCKY DRAW TABLE AND BUY TICKETS BEFORE THE MEETING STARTS.**

## GUEST SPEAKER



Patrice McCammon introduced Janet Peters who travelled around the world with her husband and the occasional additional crew in a 47' sailboat. They had lived in Toronto and she said they weren't "really experienced sailors". She told interesting stories about the many places they stopped and their many adventures during their 6 year cruise. They departed from Miami in 2001

and ended their journey in the Bahamas. There they sold their boat and came home. She has written a very interesting book about their voyage and adventures and it is available in Collingwood.

## **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

**Vincy Stephenson-705-422-0201**

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**

## SCHEDULE OF FUTURE SPEAKERS

January - Hospice Georgian Circle (Campbell House). Update on their community programs.  
February - Wasaga Beach Library will discuss plans for a new library building.

## BUSINESS REPORT:

- Dennis laid our Remembrance Day Wreath the Wasaga Beach Cenotaph on Nov. 4th
- Photos from various club events were sent to "On The Bay" magazine for an upcoming article.
- Our January 2019 meeting will be held on Jan. 8<sup>th</sup> instead of Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> at the Recplex.

## SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT:

### **NOVEMBER 2018**

SATURDAY November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 35 members enjoyed the matinee of the **Ultimate EAGLES TRIBUTE BAND** at the King's Wharf Theatre. This band had the place jumping and everyone raved about the performance. Dinner followed at Mom's Restaurant in Midland.



### THURSDAY November 22<sup>nd</sup> – St. Marie Among The Hurons First Light

Attending members enjoyed a "tourtiere" dinner in the restaurant prior to going out.





**A full moon made this night magical, even though it was really cold!**

**Thank You Gary Boissonnault for sharing your beautiful pictures with us!**

## DECEMBER

### Saturday Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner & Dance at Country Life -6 p.m. cocktails – 7 p.m. dinner



You have a choice of one of two dinners: a traditional turkey dinner or a roast beef dinner. **No need to remember! A ticket with your dinner choice will be given to you upon arrival at the hall! Sales now closed!**

Featuring DJ Charlie Tabone . Enjoy your Christmas dinner and dance!



A VERY CHRIS-TERICAL  
CHRISTMAS CABARET

**A Very Chris-Terical Christmas Cabaret - Collingwood Theatre** has been now **CANCELLED** by the committee due to the lack of the number of sales required for the group. **Sales now closed!**

Tickets are still available by calling Theatre Collingwood – 705-445-2200 or on-line [www.theatrecollingwood.ca](http://www.theatrecollingwood.ca)

**NOTE: REFUNDS AVAILABLE AT THE DECEMBER MEETING.**

\*Please see Heide at the social table

### THURSDAY DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup> – 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Tickets on sale November and December – Cost \$21.00 – rate for group of 10 or more



## The Warmth of the Season

**“GLOW”** is the largest indoor festival in Barrie!

Celebrate the warmth of the season and stroll under the twinkle of a million lights. It showcases some of the best of Barrie’s artisans, with boutiques, food vendors bars. It’s a magical and wonderful indoor festival of lights!

Come and join the fun! Join our group or pick your own date if interested!

nd 2018 ★ Jan 6<sup>th</sup> 2019

Barrie

Bradford Greenhouses Garden Gallery,  
4346 County Road 90, Springwater, Ontario.

## JANUARY 2019

RAINBOWVIEW FARMS-PHELPSTON

### Annual Sleigh ride

TUESDAY JANUARY 15<sup>th</sup>

(weather permitting)

**\$13.00 per person**



Two sleds have been set aside and we need to fill each sled with 16 people! Limit is 32 people! **Lunch to follow at Swiss Chalet**

STILL IN THE PLANNING STAGES ARE THE FOLLOWING EVENTS:

- February 2019 – Skating and Games day
- March 2019 – Beer tour in Barrie
- April 2019 – Agnora Glass Tour in Collingwood

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

Anne Marie Laporte  
Social Convener

### November Birthdays and Anniversaries Were Acknowledged



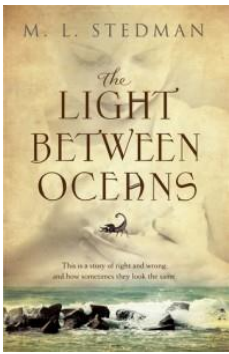
### GOODWILL CONVENER:

"Thinking of You" cards were sent out to Gloria Harasowsky and Russ Laporte.

A card of condolence for the Paylor family was sent and a donation in the memory of Carolyn Paylor was made.

If any member knows 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)**

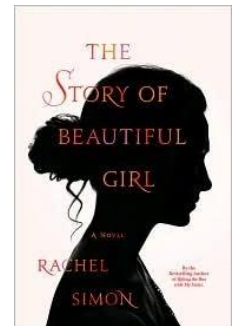
## FIRST EDITION:



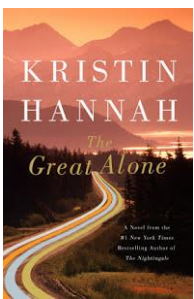
For November our group read The Light Between the Oceans by M. L. Stedman. It is riveting tale of a lighthouse keeper and his wife in Australia. One day a boat washes ashore with a dead man and a living baby on board. For Isabel, childless and longing for a child, this seems a gift from God. Tom wants to report the find. The decisions they make have far reaching consequences both for themselves and others. One member commented, "Sometimes the story line takes the reader where the reader doesn't want to go." A compelling read, with finely drawn characters, it sparked a spirited discussion. All members said they enjoyed the book and rated it 4.25.

Submitted by Sharon Wood.

**THE BOOKIES:** "The Story of Beautiful Girl" by Rachel Simon follows the intertwined lives of two institutionalized adults over a span of 40 years. It is a compelling story of overcoming many obstacles by determination and love. There is a lesson to be learned even today about the complexities of caring for the vulnerable. We highly recommend this book. It was a good read and we rated it 4 out of 5. Submitted by Tom Donohue.



## THE HAPPY BOOKERS:



The 'Great Alone' is a nickname for Alaska and it's obvious from the description of authentic characters and the details of the location, that the author, Kristin Hannah, has had personal experience with this State. When Leni's father is left property by a former Vietnam buddy, her family moves to Alaska, optimistic that this will be a new start that will help her father overcome his PTSD. They realize that living there and surviving the winter will require enormous effort and help from their neighbours. Leni comes to love Alaska and her friendship with

Matthew, the other person her age at school becomes very important to her. Unfortunately the long, dark winters have a negative effect on her father and his abuse of his wife, Cora becomes more frequent and violent. Despite the attempts of the townspeople to protect Leni and her mother, the situation worsens until Cora takes desperate action. Everyone found the novel engrossing and enjoyable. We rated it a 4.0 and would recommend it.

Submitted by Jan Bivall

## 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



## DINNER AND A MOVIE:



On Monday November 19<sup>th</sup>, the "Dinner and a Movie" group met at the Iron Skillet 2.0 in Collingwood for a great meal. As illustrated in the photo there was more food than we could eat. After dining, the group of 13 headed off to the Galaxy theatre to the movie of our choice.

Please note that the group **will not meet in December** as this month is already jam packed with commitments. **Best Regards!**

Merrey Christmas! Sandy / Ron Hanson

## CHUCKLES FOR THE DAY:



**NEXT GENERAL MEETING Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**At the Recplex**

**Come at 9:30 for coffee and fellowship.** NOTE: Submissions for inclusion in the November Newsletter should be sent to our newsletter convener, Jayne Edwards, [jpedwards@live.ca](mailto:jpedwards@live.ca) by **December 18th, 2018**