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NEXT GENERAL MEETING: January 2nd, 2018
Wasaga Stars Arena
Speaker: Louise Coker -Age Friendly Advisor

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Holiday Greetings! I hope everyone had a great Christmas and is looking forward to a Happy New Year. This is the start of a new year and I want to thank our Vice President, Dennis Moise for his "Lights Out Performance" at our December meeting.

Although I am making light of the situation, the power outage was a serious and potentially dangerous event. I have had many members contact me with their concerns about the safety of this facility in the event of a future fire or power outage. It became evident that the "fire" exits were not adequate for members with mobility issues.

Because of the concern about safety, we need to readdress the question of where our meetings will be held. At the January meeting we will be presenting the revised bylaws, which have been drafted by the bylaw committee, for membership approval. Passing the approval of the bylaws, which include a section on where our meetings are held, will enable us to move forward with a vote on this issue.

This will be an important meeting and I urge each and everyone to be in attendance.

See you on January 2nd, 2018

Paul Edwards

DECEMBER MEETING:

Thank you to our greeters for December: **Joan & Mike Smith**

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

Thanks were also given to all those members who brought Food for the Food Bank and Toys for the Kinettes.

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

NEW MEMBERS: Gene Stephenson presented **Michael Cocksedge and Sheila Holmes** as the newest Beachcombers members. **Alberto & Anna Rodriguez and Lorraine Van Vlymen** were recognized as guests to the meeting.

LUCKY DRAW Winners

1st PRIZE: \$53.00	Joan Maloney
2nd PRIZE: \$35.00	Kathy Dunnett
3rd PRIZE: \$30.00	Donna Aiken



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

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

Men's Breakfast:

Bob Bowyer - 429-0579

Book Exchange:

Rita Bencquista - 705-429-1911

Dinner & a Movie

Ron Hanson - 705-422-0227

Dinner at our Place

Rickey Lemire 422-1738

DECEMBER SPEAKER

The December Speaker was replaced this month in favour of our Christmas celebrations.

A Christmas Quiz, Christmas Sing a Long Carols and our Annual Christmas Skit.



Anne Laporte & Rudy Hochkirchen came forward to do a Christmas quiz followed by coffee and cookies.



SCHEDULE OF FUTURE SPEAKERS

January	Louise Coker - Age Friendly Community Coordinator
February	David Antebi - Pharmacist & Nutritionist
March	Andrew McNeil - High School Task Force
April	Diane Freitas - Organ Donor

BUSINESS REPORT:

The membership was reminded that "Minutes" of the previous meeting are posted on the bulletin board at the front of the room for everyone to read. A vote is then taken so they may be amended or accepted into our official records.

SOCIAL REPORT

DECEMBER

The **Christmas Dinner and Dance** held at the Wasaga Country Life Resort was a huge success, with a bit of money shared back with you. This year you had a choice of a turkey dinner or a roast beef dinner and I believe everyone enjoyed the food and sure had enough to eat! This venue, as well as the DJ have been booked for next year.





JANUARY

SLEIGH RIDE - Rainbow View Farms, Phelpsston is booked for Tuesday January 16th

This event is limited to only 32 people - 16 people per sleigh
Final sign-up is at the January meeting. There are still a few seats left!



The tour of the Napoleon Plant in Barrie.

Please note that there are now two tours booked for this event.



Tuesday January 30th and Wednesday January 31st both at 11:00 a.m.

Each tour is limited to 23 people.
Final sign-up is at the January meeting

FEBRUARY

Tour of the Honda plant in Alliston

Please note that there are two tours booked for this event. One tour is at 9:00 a.m. followed by lunch and the other at 1:00 p.m. with lunch prior.



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Tuesday February 27th

Each tour is limited to 20 people.

Sign-up is at the January meeting.

A **Curling bonspiel**, hosted by Chuck Christie, is now booked for Wednesday February 14th at the Stayner Granite Curling Club. A pot luck lunch prior to curling is open to all who want to attend, whether you curl or just watch. Sign-up now if you are interested.



On behalf of the Social Committee we wish to extend each and every one of you a very Happy New Year! Please continue to bring your ideas forward and join in the planned events!

Anne Marie Laporte

OTHER EVENTS BEING CONSIDERED

*Second City Comedy show

*Georgian Downs in the spring

GOODWILL CONVENER

Card with well wishes was sent to **Helen Hutton**.

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

MEMBERSHIP

At the December meeting we had 89 members sign in and 3 guests in attendance. There were no new members, so the membership remains at 166.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Several Birthdays and Anniversaries were recognized



ROMEO (MEN'S) BREAKFAST GROUP:

The **ROMEO MEN'S** Breakfast group gather on the **last Wednesday of each month** for fellowship, and breakfast. If you wish to join us contact **Bob Bowyer at 705-429-0579**. We will add you to the list.

We e-mail a reminder a few days ahead to find out how many can make it.

Our next breakfast will be on **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2018, 9:00AM** at **Don Cherry's Sports Grill**.

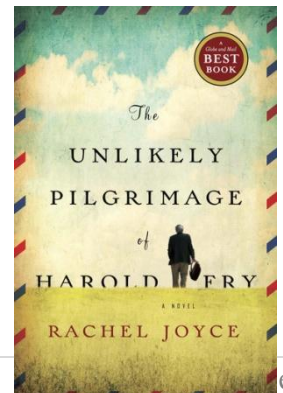
First Edition Book Club

No report this month

THE BOOKIES

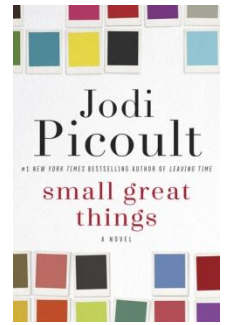
"The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry" by Rachel Joyce is a refreshing book sprinkled with gentle touches of humour. Harold Fry at last got up and did something about his mundane life with very good results. The story is filled with interesting and thoughtful flashbacks about relationships and grief. We all loved it and rated it 4.8 out of 5.

Tom Donohue



HAPPY BOOKERS

The Happy Bookers have just finished "Small Great Things" by Jodi Picoult. All agreed that it was an interesting read, a thought provoking well written book involving racial experiences and emotional circumstances. We would recommend it...submitted by **Betty Baker**



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

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

Contact Ron or Sandy at: rhanson99@rogers.com
Or 705-422-0227

DINNER AT OUR PLACE

The Dinner consists of 8 people. Each couple provide their own drinks and one course for the dinner, which consists of appetizers, soup or salad and dessert. The hosts provide the main course. Please sign up at the Activities desk at the next meeting or contact me if you would like to be included. Cost is \$22.00 per couple less the cost of your course.

Rickey Lemire - 422-1738

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



WHAT'S MY LINE?

There was no contestant this month due to the power outage.

Carolyn Cassells bigbirds@rogers.com



The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 do to a power outage and a request from the arena management to vacate. Unfortunately, the balance of our meeting program was cancelled.



Beachcomber's Probus Club wishes a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year in 2018 to all its members and friends.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday January 2nd. 2018

At the Wasaga Stars Arena

Come at 9:30 for coffee and fellowship.

NOTE: Submissions for inclusion in the January Newsletter should be sent to our newsletter editor, dennis.moise@gmail.com by January 21st 2018