



# The Wasagan



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## SEPTEMBER'S GENERAL MEETING

Today: Sheryl Cooper plus a rep from Georgian College

### President's Message



**President Ron Hanson**

Where oh where did the summer go? Here we are, embarking on a new season when I am not sure that we have even finished with the last one! For those of you who have just returned from summer vacations...welcome back. In a couple of weeks we will be celebrating Thanksgiving, and this month certainly is a time for reflection on all that we have to be thankful for: thankful for our families.....our relatives.....and our friends; thankful for all the wonderful experiences we have had in the past... and thankful for those yet to come.

I hope that you all have the opportunity to get together with family and friends to celebrate in the traditional "turkey feast."

This is one of the times of year where you can perhaps over indulge and not feel too guilty (until the day after). And remember: "Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough." Oprah Winfrey

Happy Thanksgiving to All!

Ron Hanson



### THANK YOU TO OUR GREETERS FOR AUGUST:

#### RON AND SANDRA HANSON

If you wish to be a greeter, please speak to **Betty Baker**.



**Sandy and Ron**

## SEPTEMBER'S SPEAKER



**Irene Donohue** welcomed our guest speaker Gary Cerantola, P. Eng, the chair of the Wasaga Beach Short Film Festival. Gary gave a two part power point presentation. Firstly, he spoke of the vision of bringing the world to Wasaga Beach through a shared passion for film and storytelling. The inspiration was derived from the Sundance Film Festival. He gave details of the many benefits gained by the community. Secondly, Gary spoke about how seniors can help in many and varied capacities. One interesting point was that 55+ seniors represent approximately 62% of Wasaga Beach's population. Consequently, he is looking for many volunteers to assist at events for the January, 2014 gala. Gary answered several questions at the end of his

presentation. **Irene** thanked Gary and made a gift presentation in appreciation. Gary has suggested featuring our WB Probus clubs on a future radio show he hosts.

# SOCIAL

## PAST SOCIAL EVENTS



The King's Wharf Theatre presentation "Johnny and June" was attended by an appreciative group (like those in the photo) of members on August 29<sup>th</sup>

The golf tournament was a great success with beautiful warm weather. There were 21 golfers, and over 35 for a nice steak dinner with lots of laughs.





*The Winner is ...  
To be Continued  
in 2014 ..  
come join the Fun...*



The winners of our 2013 Probus tournament

## **UPDATE**

The 10 tickets for the Orillia boat cruise are now sold out and 24 tickets were sold for the Theatre Collingwood on Oct. 26th

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Fall Colour Car Rally**

1:00 PM on October 17, 2013  
Start at RecPLex. Finish at ?



The Car Rally has 36 members signed up, at \$30.00 pp and we are looking for more as it is always a fun day enjoying lots of laughs and the fall colours. Non-members for this tour are welcome at \$35.00 pp. Please bring your payment to our October meeting.



# Curling, anyone?

Our Curling Party in Stayner will be in November, (the date to be announced at our meeting) at a cost of **\$20.00 for members and \$25.00** for non-members, followed by a pizza party. We have 17 members signed up, and there will be a maximum of 32 players for this event, so if you are interested please sign up at our October meeting as space might be limited by our November meeting.



## **CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE** **Friday, Dec. 6, 2013** **Collingwood Legion**



Our **Christmas Dinner/Dance** has a total of 82 attendees to date, and we are looking for a lot more members and non-members to join us. You will also be asked to give us your pie choice this year, Apple, Lemon, or Blueberry when you sign up. (Please no changes when you get to the dinner 😊) If you have already paid, please give our social committee your choice. There will be tables of 8, so please reserve your table as soon as you can. The sheet will be at the social table. Payment must be received at our October and November meetings- **\$30.00 members, \$35.00 non-members**. In November you will also be asked for your music choice for us to pass on to the DJ. so everyone can have a sample of music they enjoy listening or dancing to.

### **NOTE**

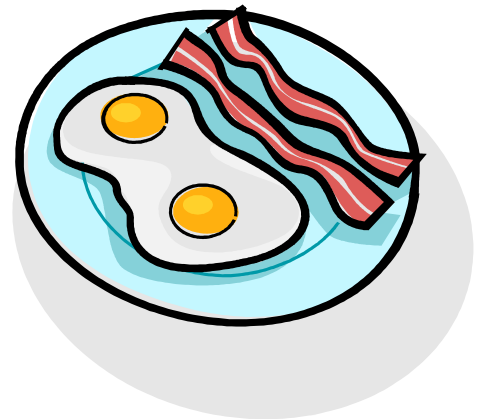
The Social Committee has scheduled events for every month in 2014, so look for them starting in January.

**THANK YOU TO MARILYN RUSE FOR MAKING THE MEETING ROOM SO WELCOMING!**

### **MEN'S BREAKFAST**

The **ROMEO MEN'S** Breakfast group meets on the **last Wednesday of the month** for fellowship, and a good breakfast. In **SEPT**, about 12 met at **YAMMAS GRILL** on **WEDNESDAY SEPT. 25, 2013 at 9:00 AM** for breakfast. In **OCTOBER** we will be meeting for breakfast at **The SUNSET GRILL** on **OCT. 30 2013 at 9:00AM**.

We now have 25 interested **ROMEOS'** on our list, and we average about 18 for the breakfasts. If you wish to join us for the first time, contact Bob Bowyer at 705-429-0579 to get on the list. We send out a reminder a few days ahead to find out how many can make it. We try to give the restaurant an approximate count a few days before as to how many will be attending.





Congratulations to Prizewinners Robin, Irene, and Jack

## SEPTEMBER LUCKY DRAW WINNERS

1<sup>st</sup> prize of \$60.00 ---- **Jack Benedet**  
2<sup>nd</sup> prize of \$40.00 --- **Robin Wood**  
3<sup>rd</sup> prize of \$36.00 ---- **Irene Donohue**  
\$50.00 to Treasurer.

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

## BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

Best wishes to all those who celebrate in October.



## Goodwill



No cards were sent out as far as we know. Sorry if we missed you and, if you are feeling poorly, get well soon. Please pass information regarding sickness, hospital stays, or death of a member to our Goodwill Convener, **Shirley Brett**. If you don't tell us, we may miss sending out a card.

## DON'T FORGET:

- The Secretary's Minutes of the last General Meeting and the Treasurer's Summary of the Club's finances are posted at the front of the room. Please read them!
- **Please notify the Membership Convener of any changes to your address, phone number, e-mail address, etc.** We realize this is a continuing reminder, but it is very important!
- Please pass information regarding sickness, hospital stays, or death of a member to our Goodwill Convener, **Shirley Brett**. If you don't tell us, we may miss sending out a card.

Our **NEW** New Member Ambassador, **Betty Montgomery**, is always available to give you information about our Club and its activities. **PROBUS CANADA WIDE BULLETIN BOARD.** A bulletin board posting is available to Probus Clubs. The address is [www.probus.org/bulletin.htm](http://www.probus.org/bulletin.htm). When you are unable to attend a meeting, you can access your copy of *The Wasagan* at [www.probus.org/13wasbcrn.pdf](http://www.probus.org/13wasbcrn.pdf) (Please contact the *The Wasagan* Editor if you do not have a computer.

**MEET YOUR MEMBER** – Member profiles may be a rare thing now but that does not mean we do not want to hear from you. If you are able to manage a personal profile, step up and let us know. Most of us would also love to hear from you regarding a hobby or a trip you may have taken. If you bring photos to support your presentation, all the better.

**MEMBERS WHO PRESENT THEIR PROFILE WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAW FOR A FREE BEACHCOMBERS PROBUS MEMBERSHIP!**

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

If you are considering organizing any type of interest group, please approach the Management Team. Special interest groups are open to Beachcombers Probus members only.

**SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS**

SPECIAL INTEREST	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NO.	SPECIAL INTEREST	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NO.
Afternoon Luncheon Cuisiners	Joan Maloney	422-0573	Happy Bookers Club	Jan Bivall	429-7584
Genealogy Group	Sandra Hanson	422-0227	Kitchen Bridge	Betty Keyes	429-6064
Daytrippers	Betty Keyes	429-6064	ROMEO - Men's Breakfast	Bob Bowyer	429-0579
Dinner at our Place	Diane Nagel	422-6835	Restaurant Dinner Club	WE NEED YOU NOW	
First Edition Book Club	Bette Montgomery	429-6854	New group, anyone?		

### NOTICE

We are still looking for a member(s) to step forward to organize the popular Restaurant Dinner Club or to modify how it is run.

**AND** if you are interested in joining any of the special interest groups below, or want to find out more information regarding the group, please contact the person whose name appears beside the activity.

**AND** if you wish to submit some interesting information regarding your group or submit a good, short joke and/or a photograph, please contact the newsletter editor **Tom Donohue** by email at this special address at least a week before the next monthly meeting: [t.donohue@rocketmail.com](mailto:t.donohue@rocketmail.com)

### Upcoming Speakers

It has been decided to give you advance notice of who the speakers are and their areas of expertise so you can prepare for the meeting and perhaps even send questions in ahead of the meeting to assist the speaker with specific areas of interest. If there is a specific topic of interest you would like to cover please contact Marilyn Ruse (422-0271).

NOVEMBER: Kevin Colcy

DECEMBER: Christmas themed

### MANAGEMENT TEAM for 2012-2013

President	Ron Hanson	422-0227		Membership	Judy Morrison	429-6611
Vice-President	Ross Dawe			Refreshments	Susan & Brian Passmore	422-1956
Past President	Betty Baker	422-1909		Lucky Draw	Joanne Scruton	422-0976
Secretary	Bob Bowyer	429-0579		Goodwill	Shirley Brett	429-8907
Treasurer	Dan Squires	429-4765		Archives	Everett Rivait	422-1573
New Members	Betty Montgomery	429-6894		Social	Penny Rivait	422-1573
Speaker/Profiles Chair and Decorations	Marilyn Ruse	422-0271		Newsletter	Tom Donohue	429-0644

**NOTE:** PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS FOR NOVEMBER'S NEWSLETTER BY MONDAY, OCTOBER 28



## Our Archivist

Everett Rivait loves photos. If you take a good photo at a Probus event, perhaps you can share it with Everett.

### With Apologies to Clement C. Moore

'Twas the night of Thanksgiving,  
but I just couldn't sleep...  
I tried counting backwards,  
I tried counting sheep.  
The leftovers beckoned...the dark meat and white,  
but I fought the temptation with all of my might.  
Tossing and turning with anticipation,  
the thought of a snack became infatuation.  
So, I raced to the kitchen, flung open the door  
and gazed at the fridge, full of goodies galore.  
I gobbled up turkey and buttered potatoes,  
stuffing with gravy, green beans and tomatoes.  
I felt myself swelling so plump and so round,  
till all of a sudden, I rose off the ground.  
I crashed through the ceiling, floating into the sky  
with a mouthful of pudding and a handful of pie  
But, I managed to yell as I soared past the trees...  
Happy eating to all -- pass the cranberries, please.



## **DO YOU RECOGNIZE THIS MEMBER?**

**This little girl is one of our Probus members. She is a few years older now. Anyone recognize her? We will learn his identity in the August meeting. Do you have a photo of you at an early age? Secretly submit it to the editor. Last month's picture featured Jim Ewing.**

**Arrive early for the meeting on the first Tuesday of the month to enjoy coffee and tea with your friends prior to the meeting at 10:00 A.M.**

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5  
2013  
WASAGA STARS ARENA**

## **BEING THANKFUL**

A Rabbi said to a precocious six-year-old boy, "So your mother says your prayers for you each night? That's very commendable. What does she say?" The little boy replied, "Thank God he's in bed!"

**SEE YOU THIS TUESDAY,  
October 1, 2013**

