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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Year-end Reports from Executive Members & Committee Conveners

August Member Profile: Irene Chambers

SOCIAL EVENTS

First Anniversary BBQ – Heritage Park, Elmvale – **Wednesday, August 18th**
Still time to sign up for this great celebration. *68 tickets have been sold; we would like at least 100 people for this event.* Brown's Catering of Elmvale will be serving up BBQ Roast Beef on a kaiser for us with lots of salads, dessert, and coffee available. Also, pop, snacks, water and **PRIZES.**

Time - Noon - 5 pm.

Cost – only \$5.00

Golf Tournament (Best Ball) – **Tuesday, September 14th.** – **Marlwood Golf Course**
It is the 2nd annual staging of this event, and if you missed it last year you won't want to miss out this time around. Following your round of golf, a delicious Steak or Chicken Dinner, including Dessert will be served. There is a prize for each golfer!

40 people have signed up so far.

Cost (includes a cart, taxes & gratuity)- **\$45.00**

Time – **2:00 pm** with dinner served after the round of golf Non-golfers (meal only) - **\$12.00**

P.S. We are still looking for donations of prizes for this event.

Car Rally - **Tuesday, September 27th 28** **Expected Cost \$18 - 20.00**

Frank Tate is organizing this event with help from Gerry Komuves, Al Reeves, Stan Scruton, Brian Passmore, John Potje, and Joan Porter. This is a golden opportunity to see some of the beautiful country-side around the area from the comfort of your own vehicle.

33 people have signed up at last count.

Silent Auction **October 5th Meeting** **Cost - \$7.00** (same as last yr.)

60 draw tickets and lunch included in the \$7.00 cost. If you donate one or more items, you will get a special ticket which will give you a chance to win a prize at the Donator's draw table.

Future Events....

The Collingwood Legion has again been booked for the **Christmas Party and Dance** in December. Stay tuned for more details.

The **Mixed Golf Tournaments** being organized by Bill Travis could use a little more support. Only 10 persons came last time out. The next one is planned for August, and then the last one will be in October to end the golf season. Contact Bill at 422-1148 for more details.

Past Events

What a fun night people had at the **Orillia Jazz Dinner & Cruise**. The music was just fantastic! Frank Tate proved to be the "leader of the pack" on the dance floor. The Passmore's took lots of pictures of the happenings on the cruise and if anyone is interested in copies, they can be arranged with Doris Willis, our Secretary.

Everyone who ventured to the **St. Jacobs/ Drayton Theatre Event** on July 21 was rewarded with lots of great humour and laughter. Some people even ended up "spending a ton of money" in St. Jacobs, before watching the entertaining British farce, "A Ton of Money" at Drayton.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

*	Book Club	Contact	Joanne Scruton	429-0976
*	Gourmet Dinner Club	Contact	Barb Pattison	422-0989
*	Gourmet Luncheon Club	Contact	Joanne Scruton	429-0976
*	Mixed Golf Group	Contact	Bill Travis	422-1148
*	Restaurant Dinner Group	Contact	Dianne Nagel	428-3209

July Meeting *Member Profile :*

- Stan Scruton -

Stan was born in Westmount, Quebec and attended Concordia and McGill universities. Stan said that as a youngster he received a chemistry set for Christmas and became thoroughly enthralled with it. So much so that he decided to embark on a career in science at a young age. He reminisced that his bedroom looked more like an alchemist lab than a place to sleep.

He married his wife, Joanne in 1961. They are the proud parents of two children, Mark and Lara. Mark and his family live in Uxbridge, and Lara and her family live in Georgia.

After graduating as a Chemist, Stan first worked for Domtar in Montreal in a small research laboratory and was involved in developing the first liquid dishwashing detergent in Canada.

He then joined the pharmaceutical industry and worked at various companies until he received an offer from Sandoz Pharmaceuticals to head their laboratories in Whitby, Ontario. In 1990 he joined Apotex Laboratories as Director of Quality Assurance. He is now retired and enjoying his favorite pastimes of golfing, tennis, curling and woodworking. More recently he has taken up acting (we all remember his stellar performance in "The Good, the Bad, and the Guilty" Dinner Theatre).

Thank you, Stan, for sharing this interesting and informative look into your life.

We are always looking for people who will take a few minutes at a General Meeting to tell us all about their interesting life. We all have a story to tell and we sure would like to hear it. That's how we get more familiar with each other.

Contact our Speakers Convener (Dianne Nagel) and she will be happy to schedule you in.

Did you ever wonder?.....

Why does a slight tax increase cost you two hundred dollars and a substantial tax cut saves you thirty cents?

Why the easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

Can you cry under water?

If money doesn't grow on trees, then why do banks have branches?

Why is it that people say they "slept like a baby" when babies wake up every two hours?

Why a round pizza comes in a square box?

Gardening Rule:

When weeding, the best way to make sure you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

The following bulletin was issued a short time ago by the RCMP and is worth passing along to our members.

Keep alert for people with cell phones standing near you in the checkout line at retail stores, restaurants, grocery stores, etc. With the new camera cell phones, they can take a picture of your card which gives them your name, card number and expiration date. The information is used to make a fake card and suddenly you find strange charges on your account.

Identity theft is one of the fastest growing crimes today, and this is just one example of the means that are being used. So always be aware of your surroundings and what other people might be doing.

DON'T FORGET....

- Please notify the Membership Convener (Deborah Ferris) of any changes to your address, phone no., etc

Lucky Draw Winners from July Meeting –

50/50 Draw

Dina McDonald	\$50.00
Pat Caron	\$30.00

Early Bird Membership Draws

1 st prize – dinner for two	Gerry Komuves
2 nd prize – Avon Gift Basket	Joanne Scruton
3 rd prize – bottle of wine	Walter Clost

BIRTHDAYS

To those who celebrated a birthday in July, we wish you many happy returns.

Get Well/Sympathy Cards

There were no get well or sympathy cards sent out in July. We hope this meant there was no need for them during this month which is a good thing. Please let the Goodwill Convener (Lynda Trimble) know of any hospital stays or deaths involving our members so an appropriate card can be sent.

MEMBERSHIP

Most of our Charter members renewed their membership for the coming year. A few have left us for various reasons. We were sorry to see them go. However, it opens the door for those on our lengthy waiting list to become members. We warmly welcome each and every one of you. We hope you will enjoy becoming a Beachcomber, and get involved in our many activities. We're a great group; just ask any one of us!

THE LAST WORD:

The last word this month belongs to the Editors. This is our first newsletter for the Beachcombers. We hope you find it informative & useful. In succeeding issues we hope to make improvements in layout and content. We can work on layout, but you, the members, can help with content. We urge you to send us items of interest for the Club that can be included in the newsletter. These can be events in the Community that deserve our support, personal experiences that you would like to share, interesting places to see, or maybe a good recipe that you just have to share. You get the idea! Give them to us at the General meetings, send us an e-mail, phone us,.....

We're waiting to hear from you.

Crystal & Glenn Martin

Next General Meeting September 7, 2004 at the Wasaga Stars Arena

Speaker Topic: Understanding the Benefits of Tai Chi

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
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