



The Wasagan



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NEXT GENERAL MEETING: June 6th.

Wasaga Stars Arena

Speaker: Josh Palas

Wasaga Beach Rec Plex

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All,

As this year begins to wind down, I would like to say that it has been a very rewarding and enjoyable experience for me to work with so many amazing people.

At this time of year, it is time to build on our Committees for next year. There is a signup sheet available for anyone who would like to join the Executive Team.

It is a wonderful way to meet new people and to become more involved with our Probus Group. These Committees only take a minimum of your time each month to make the group run smoothly and efficiently.

Some of the areas where we really need volunteers are:

Social Committee - Anne Laporte is the Convener and she requires new members to aid in setting up upcoming activities and events for us to enjoy....approximately 5 or 6 volunteers.

New Membership - Rick Roettger requires a helping hand in signing up new members to our Probus Group.

New Membership Ambassador - We need a volunteer to introduce new members to our group on a monthly basis and also a back-up person to help if the case presents itself.

Lucky Draw - We are in need of two volunteers to take over the Lucky Draw table. There are helpers who have signed up

but they are unable to be there every month.

If anyone has any questions regarding any of these positions feel free to speak to any of our Committee members who will be more than happy to assist you. A very big Thank You to all of those members who have already volunteered for the upcoming year.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting on June 6th.

Cheers,
Al Grondin
President

MAY MEETING



Thank you to our greeters for May, Jan & Steve Bivall.

Thanks were given to our volunteers for their table décor and for providing our refreshments.

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

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

Daytrippers:

Lucille Mancer - 422-0143

First Edition:

Vincy Stephenson-705-422-0201

Happy Bookers:

Jan Bivall - 429-7584

The Bookies

Tom Donohue - 429-0644

Appy-hour:

Jan Bivall - 429-7584

Diane Nagel - 422-0835

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

NEW MEMBERS

Judy Grondin introduced our newest Probus members, Kathy (absent) & Larry Trahan.

Guests were recognized: Judith Hurst, Debbie & Hank Koe, Stella & Peter Gardner and Barb & Wayne Sim.



LUCKY DRAW Winners



1st PRIZE: \$56.00	David Trigg
2nd PRIZE: \$38.00	Donna Aitken
3rd PRIZE: \$32.00	Jayne Edwards
Speaker's Fund: \$42.00	

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



MAY SPEAKER

Joanne Millie introduced our speaker, **Tim Lalonde**, who gave a very interesting talk about the maple syrup production at his sugar bush.



Schedule of Future Speakers

July	Wasaga Paramedics
August	George Laidlaw - Historian
September	Garnet Pratt Siddall - Side Launch Brewery
October	Canadian Cannabis Clinic

SOCIAL REPORT

Anne Laporte, Rudy Hochkirchen and Tony Svirplys shared the duties of presenting information about upcoming social events:



- The Murder Mystery Luncheon has been postponed until October 11th. Tickets will be reissued.
- Golfing at Batteaux Creek, June 7th / 9 holes / best ball / \$45.00 / tee off 9am / lunch only \$10.00
- The Keewatin tour may be done on a personal basis, the club will not be booking this event
- The O.P.P Museum and Leacock House tour on Wed. June 28th is a go; lunch details are still being finalized.
- The Gravenhurst Boat Tour has been booked é \$60.00 Pp. July 12th
- Bruce Nuclear tour cancelled because of lack of interest.
- Our Annual Picnic will be held at the Recplex with a possible potluck
- Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat at the Kings Wharf Theatre - August 31st \$42.00 Pp.
- A Train Ride has been booked for September 30th

Anne discussed the questionnaire which the committee asked members to complete and encouraged everyone, with ideas for events, to step up and organize them. She highlighted curling, lawn bowling, a gambling night, euchre and an entertainment evening as examples.

There was a discussion about using bus and Go Train transportation to access Toronto for events; Anne said that her committee will investigate this possibility.

And finally, in conjunction with Canada's 150th birthday, Rudy shared some interesting Canadian history about early settlers and the origin behind place names. He will share more at future meetings.



Goodwill Convener

Cards with well wishes were sent to **Craig & Linda Willis and Monika Burchell**

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 who is taking over as the Goodwill Convener.

Membership

Our total membership stands at 191 with 101 members in attendance and 7 guests at the May meeting.

Anyone who becomes a member in June or July will pay the full \$25.00 initiation fee but their membership will be in effect for a full year. In essence, they are members for 14 months because of the time of year that they join the club.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Several Birthdays and Anniversaries were recognized



MAY 2017

MEN'S BREAKFAST MESSAGE

ROMEO (MEN'S) BREAKFAST GROUP:

The **ROMEO MEN'S** Breakfast group gather on the **last Wednesday of each month** for fellowship, and breakfast. In May the group got together for breakfast and stimulating conversation at Georgian Circle Family Restaurant.

The **ROMEO'S** group was formed around 2008, and has been a success. We have approximately 30 on our list. Those who can make it out enjoy breakfast and stimulating conversation

whenever they can attend. We average around 18 for breakfast. If you wish to join us for the first time contact Bob Bowyer at 705-429-0579. We will add you to the list for the monthly reminders.

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 as to how many will be attending. You can always show up at the last minute. We will find a seat for you.

Our next breakfast will be on **Wednesday, June 28, 2017, 9:00AM at Tilly's Cafe & Bakery (Formerly Edenvale Airport)**

First Edition Book Club

The Five People You Meet in Heaven

Mitch Albom

This story of a man's last hour on earth and the people he meets in the here-after. People who he touched. People and places he knew growing up. People who crossed his path for a reason. People who altered his life. People who were part of why he lived and how he lived. People whose purpose helped him understand his life on earth

Rated 4.25/



The Bookies

No report this month from "The Bookies"

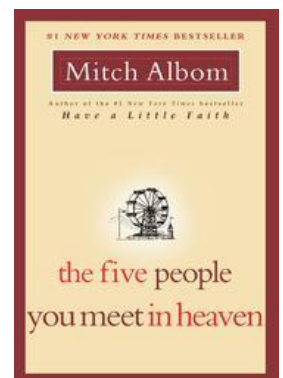
Happy Bookers

Our book selection for May, "THE SPARK" by Kristine Barnett, is a memoir of her autistic son Jake.

> When staff at a special needs school concluded they didn't think Jake could be taught, Kristine decided to home school him. She concentrated on what Jake could do, not on what he could not do. Instead of focusing on his autism, she chose to think of it as a mother's story of nurturing genius, at the same time not denying him a childhood. Jake is a prodigy in math and science. He began college courses at the age of 8 and was accepted in University at the age of 11.

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> The book was rated 4 out of 5. Would be recommended by most of our group



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

Ron and Sandy Hanson have volunteered to take over the Dinner and a Movie event.

Contact Ron or Sandy at: rhanson99@rogers.com

Or 705-422-0227



APPY HOUR"

'Unfortunately there will not be an Appy Night in June as I won't be at the Probus meeting to sign people up and no one volunteered to be a host. I have some names of potential hosts for July and August, so will be getting in touch with them. As of September, neither Diane nor I wish to continue as coordinator of Appy Night. If you would be interested in taking on this responsibility, please email me at stevebivall@gmail.com or maybe, after two years, it is time to give this activity a rest.



Daytrippers

No report this month from "The Daytrippers".

We welcome new members. **Lucille Mancer** [\(705\) 422-0143](tel:7054220143)

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](tel:7054291911)

What's My Line?

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Did you enjoy the first production of this new feature at the April meeting? I do hope so! Well, now I need volunteers to be contestants on future games, so if you ever had a paid job that was amusing, unusual, or just plain yucky (like Al Grondin's!), even if it was only for a brief time, please send me an email and tell me what it was so we can feature you on a game at the July meeting.

Carolyn Cassells bigbirds@rogers.com

MYSTERY MEMBER

This month's Mystery Member is the last in the series. We have enjoyed the guessing of members from their childhood and offer our thanks to all who participated. We have one more Mystery Member photo to complete our year before the "What's My Line" game begins.

Who is this handsome lad?



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TUESDAY, June 6th, 2017

At the Wasaga Stars Arena

Come at 9:30 for coffee and fellowship.

NOTE: Submissions for inclusion in the June Newsletter should be sent to our newsletter editor dennis.moise@gmail.com by June 21, 2017