



BOWMANVILLE BULLETIN:

APRIL, 2013

JOIN US!

Our Next Meeting will be on:

Date: Tuesday May 28, 2013,

Location: Roses Bistro, 84 King St West, Bowmanville.

Attitude adjustment/social networking at 6:00 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm.

Guests are Welcome!

Please Contact: Roxy before May 25, 2013
@ 905-623-5327).

Members, if you cannot attend or are bringing guests, please let **Roxy know by Saturday, May 25, 2013. Thanks*

Meeting Details:

This will be our annual meeting with reports to be presented. We will also discuss the resolutions for the Provincial Conference. To review the 2013 resolutions go to [BPW Ontario Resolutions](#)

Please print the resolutions and bring them with you to our meeting.

MEMBER PROFILE

Getting to Know You - Eleanor Hannan

by Kris McDonald

Eleanor Stewart was born and raised in Edinburgh, Scotland. Her father Robert drove a regional bus, similar to a GO bus. Her mother Jean was a homemaker and was also a violinist of some local repute. Eleanor loved to sing and would do so at any opportunity during her childhood. Eleanor has a sister Aileen, a Registered Nurse who is nine years younger and who still lives in Scotland. Eleanor completed her schooling in Scotland at the age of 15 with excellent skills as a shorthand typist, ultimately holding a number of positions as an executive secretary.

Eleanor married Douglas Hannan in 1958 in Edinburgh and they sailed to Canada shortly after. The trip across the Atlantic Ocean included a five hundred mile detour from their planned route to avoid ice bergs!!! Shades of the Titanic!?!?!?



MEMBER PROFILE CONTINUED....

Eleanor and her husband settled in Montreal where Douglas's sister and her husband lived. Douglas was a pulp and paper engineer and Montreal was the pulp and paper center of Canada at that time. Eleanor found secretarial work until they began a family. She raised her children in the early years and returned to the work when her twins were in their early teens, taking a variety of positions fitted around her family's time schedules.

Eventually Eleanor became a personal caregiver. She developed a group of clients to whose homes she traveled providing whatever services were required, also becoming friends with many of her clients. She was her own boss and was able work around her family obligations.

Eleanor now shares a century old duplex house in Newcastle with her son Derek, who is presently renovating his half. She guards her independence, but appreciates the support of her son close at hand. Eleanor has four children - two boys and two girls. Brian, 50, an adopted daughter, Kim, 47 and fraternal twins Derek and Toby, 42. She has two granddaughters and six grandsons. Brian and Derek each have three children, who are now in their late teens and early twenties. Her daughters have one son each ages nine and four respectively. Eleanor is also looking forward to the birth of her first great granddaughter later this year. She is inordinately proud of the entire clan and sees them at regular intervals.

Eleanor and BPW - one of her personal care client's was Marian Jeffery, Judy Hagerman's mother who was a charter member of the Bowmanville Club. Marian encouraged Judy to invite Eleanor to a meeting and Eleanor joined the club in 1993. She has held the position of Treasurer of the club for some years and loves all her friends in BPW keeping them on their toes with her own brand of wry Scottish wisdom.

DATES TO REMEMBER

May 31 - June 2, 2013. BPW Ontario Provincial Conference, with the theme, ***Unlocking the BPW Potential*** will take place in Mississauga. We are asked to bring a basket of goodies to be auctioned. Our intrepid creative treasurer, Eleanor will once again come up with the best basket at Conference. For Conference details, [BPW Ontario Conference](#)

May 23 - May 27, 2014. International Congress in Jeju, South Korea. [See BPWI Congress for details](#)

MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to **Barb and Harvey Hicks** who just celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary!

Congratulations to all members. Everyone has paid her dues. At our April meeting we nominated Nancy Barnes as our delegate and Barb Hicks as our alternate for Conference.



PROVOKING THOUGHT

A Fairy Tale for the Times

Once upon a time in Ford Nation the red faced Big Round seemed to have been seen sampling the magic powder. The inhabitants were most curious, some were outraged. Where did our leader obtain this magic powder? To the whole allegation, Big Round said “Ridiculous!”

Further to the East in another Kingdom another prince, the Royal Duff appeared to be uncertain where he lived and spent his funds unwisely. His good friend, the major assistant to the King, gave the Royal Duff some gilders to help tide him over. Once again the inhabitants were more than just curious, many said this was wrong! What to do? The King stood by his assistant for a while, but finally, the assistant had to go. The King is so sorry to lose his assistant, but the Royal Duff lives on!

To the far West in another Kingdom, when everyone said Queen Christie was going to lose her Kingdom, this proved to be wrong, the Queen still reigns, surprising and confounding many.

What to do? What to say?? “Ridiculous”! with apologies to the Brothers Grimm and Michael Enright.

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Please submit items for the BPW Bowmanville Newsletter to Judy @ judyrobt@durham.net

We look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting!