

# BPW BOWMANVILLE

Empowered Women Leading Business & Positive Change

*In Our Community & Around the World...*



Business &  
Professional  
Women

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## April Menu

Tomato Basil Bisque

Beef Bourguignon over  
egg noodles

Fresh breads/buns with butter

Selections from our dessert fridge

Regular brewed coffee &  
various teas

## April Meeting

**Tuesday, April 25, 2017**

**6:00 PM Social Networking**

**6:30 PM Dinner**

**Members: \$30.00**

**Non-Members: \$35.00**

**Location – Birch Bistro & Lounge**

**84 King St. W, Bowmanville**

**RSVP: Please confirm your reservation  
with any dietary restrictions**

**to Kris McDonald at**

**905.419.1568 or**

**[krismcdonald.bpw@gmail.com](mailto:krismcdonald.bpw@gmail.com) before**

**Friday, March 24, 2017**

**Guests Welcome**

## April Programme

**An Inspiring Story of  
Canadian Generosity**



**Sylvie Vanhaverbeke speaks  
about sponsoring a Syrian  
Refugee Family in Newcastle.  
The New Syrian-Canadians  
will tell us about their  
experience in Canada.**





## **Membership Dues for BPW Bowmanville of \$150.00 are Due and Payable by April 25, 2017**

**Any renewal received after  
April 25 will be \$155.00.  
Payment can be made by credit  
card at the April 25 meeting at  
\$155.00 (\$5.00 service charge).**

***If you cannot attend the meeting,  
please send a cheque  
to Carrie Andrews  
Treasurer today at:  
16 Skye Valley Dr.  
Cobourg ON KEA 4J7***

### **Breakdown of Dues Allotment**

BPW Ontario:	\$ 30.00 + \$4.00 travel pool = \$34.00
BPW Canada:	\$ 52.50 + \$4.00 travel pool = \$56.50
BPW International:	\$ 39.00
BPW Bowmanville:	\$ 20.50

***Carrie Andrews  
Treasurer***

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**Never retreat, never explain,  
never apologize – get the thing  
done and let them howl!**

**Nelly McClung, activist and author**

## **President's Message**

Once again I can say we all so enjoyed our March Speaker, Cathy Abraham, Chair of the Kawartha Pineridge School Bd. Her passion for all things educational was quite wonderful. She is definitely someone we want chairing such an important board. Again it was good to induct a couple of new members.

Our April meeting will also be excellent as we have Sylvia Vanhaverbeck coming to talk to us about the challenges and rewards in bringing a Syrian family to Newcastle. Sylvia spearheaded the drive to bring these Syrians to a safe new home. Sylvia will be bringing the newcomers to our meeting and we will have a chance to see how well this program is working. As the horrendous war in Syria continues, it is very difficult to see any end in sight, never mind any satisfactory end. What painful times for those who were so persecuted that they would risk all to flee, leaving family, friends, home and what they knew, to come to a distant place.

On another note, as Canada is celebrating 150 years since Confederation, we have been invited to have a display booth at Garnet Rickard Complex on the evening of July 1. Karen Cashin and Karen Shaver have both offered to help with this. Which women will we focus? What achievements of BPW Canada should we feature? How will we display these ideas? Please think about this as we need to start pulling these ideas together.

We were sad to hear that former Mayor Diane Hamre died last week. Diane came to speak to BPW when she was a Regional Councilor. When she became Mayor, she joined our club. She brought a thoughtfulness, caring, and decorum to all she did. She was a delight to have as one of our members.

We haven't heard from Nancy in her travels to the USA, but she will be home very soon.

I hope to see everyone at our April meeting.

***Judy Hagerman***



## Dates to Remember

**September 29 –October 1, 2017**

BPW Ontario 71<sup>st</sup>

Provincial Conference

***BPW Niagara Falls - Host Club***

**August 11-13, 2017**

BPW Canada AGM

***BPW Greater Moncton Host Club***

**October 23-27, 2017**

BPW International Congress

***Cairo Egypt***

**BPW Bowmanville**

**Programme 2017**

**May 23, 2017**

**Our Future, Our Direction**

**AGM, Elections, Reports and More**

**June 27, 2017**

**Summer Social**



## Canadian Women Inventors

### Wendy Murphy



The Weevac 6 is a brand of [stretcher](#) specifically created for the transport of [babies](#), such as in [hospitals](#) or for [patient evacuation](#). The Weevac 6 was invented by Canadian-born [Wendy Murphy](#) in 1985. Wendy got the idea to make it while watching coverage of the [Mexico City earthquake](#), wondering why there wasn't an evacuation device designed specifically for babies. The origin of the name "Weevac 6" comes from the fact that the device is designed to transport "6 wee babies". The Weevac 6 ranked at No. 35 on the [CBC's](#) miniseries [The Greatest Canadian Invention](#).

Wendy Murphy, a former medical researcher and radiology technician at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, is an inventor and president of W. Murphy Enterprises Inc.

She designed and developed the world's **FIRST** evacuation stretcher for infants. The WEEVAC line of innovative evacuation equipment is used by hospitals, Nursing homes, chronic/long term care facilities, EMS/Rescue, firefighters, Embassies and other public buildings where mass evacuation may be required.



**When Babies are in Danger**