

BPW BOWMANVILLE

Empowered Women Leading Business & Positive Change

In Our Community & Around the World...



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the Birch bistro & lounge
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Dinner Menu

Chicken Parmesan with pasta

Seasonal vegetables

Various decadent
dessert selections

June Meeting

Tuesday, June 28, 2016

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

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Friday, June 24, 2016

Guests Welcome

June Programme

- **Year End Summer Social**
- **Report on Provincial
Conference**
- **Further detail of WEPS Event
in October**

Included with this issue:

- **Revised Financial Statement 2015-2016**
 - **Revised Budget 2016-2017**
- **Revised Treasurer's Report 2015 - 2016**



BPW Bowmanville Executive Committee 2016 – 2018

President – Judy Hagerman

1st Vice President – vacant

Young BPW Vice President –
Corinna Trill

Secretary – Suzanne Land

Treasurer – Carrie Andrews

Committee Chairs

Budget & Finance – Carrie Andrews

House & Social – Kris McDonald

Membership – Carrie Andrews

Programme – Nancy Barnes

Newsletter Editor – Kris McDonald

Resolutions & By-Laws –

Sheila Crook & Karen Cashin

Webmaster/Social Media –

Sheila Crook & Corinna Trill

Dates To Remember

August 12-14, 2016

BPW Canada National Convention
at Clarion Hotel and Conference
Centre, Calgary, Alberta

October 25, 2016

BPW Bowmanville Women's
Empowerment Community Event
& GTA District Meeting

2017 – BPW International Congress -
Cairo, Egypt

On another note, *Clarington Snap* is restarting. There will be a kick off for this at the Museum on Tues., June 21. I hope to attend this event so that the photographer will be aware of our event in October.

I hope to see you all at our Summer Social on June 28.

Judy Hagerman

President's Message

It is wonderful to report that our resolution on Midwives passed at Conference. Nancy Barnes and Carrie Andrews both did so well. Sheila Crook kept us on track at her computer, meaning she worked through the whole conference.

BPW Bowmanville received the membership certificate and we are thrilled with this. The membership increase was measured from April 30, 2015 to April 30, 2016. Congratulations to everyone in the club. This is the second time Bowmanville has won this award. My mother, Marian Jeffery was President the last time we won the award.

Sheila gave a short but excellent workshop on Women's Empowerment. She promoted our Women's Empowerment Community Event to be held here in Bowmanville on Tuesday, October 25. As we are hosting this exciting event, we need to be familiar with the seven principles of Women's Empowerment. Sheila has been in Ottawa, as one of the Global Champions, meeting with people from the United Nations and promoting the Women's Empowerment Principles (WEPS).

To reiterate what these are:

Establish high-level corporate leadership for gender equality.

Treat all women and men fairly at work.

Ensure the health, safety and well-being of all women and men workers.

Promote education, training and professional development for women.

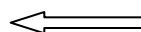
Promote equality through community initiatives and advocacy.

Measure and publicly report on progress to achieve gender equality.

As we partner with the Clarington Board of Trade (CBOT) for our community event, our goal is to invite as many people representing businesses, the Municipality, and Not-for-Profit groups to our event and encourage these groups to sign the Canadian Coalition to Empower Women.

Although we have the date, we do not have a location yet. I have been investigating locations and costs. If we are fewer than 100, the Sarah Jane Williams Heritage Centre would be ideal. The new administrator, Michael Adams, is most receptive and asks only for a donation to the Museum. He is enthusiastic about using the space for many community gatherings such as the presentations about the Avro Arrow being presented now.

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Commons passes change to national anthem [to include Canadian women]

OTTAWA — Ailing Liberal MP Mauril Belanger was in the House of Commons Wednesday as his private member's bill to render O Canada more gender neutral cleared one final hurdle. The legislation still requires the approval of the Senate, however, which means Belanger — who was diagnosed last November with Lou Gehrig's disease — may not live to see it become law.

Bill C-210, which would change the second line of the anthem from "true patriot love, in all thy sons command" to "in all of us command," passed third and final reading in the Commons by a margin of 225-74. As the vote began, Liberal MPs stood and applauded Belanger, who sat in the House in his wheelchair. Many flashed him a thumbs-up sign, his trademark gesture, as their votes were registered.

When it was done, the entire House broke into an impromptu rendition of O Canada, as well as a rousing standing ovation. The anthem change has been a Belanger cause for years, but took on far greater urgency in recent months after it was confirmed he has an incurable, fatal, neurodegenerative condition also known as ALS.

The Conservatives opposed the bill on the grounds that important pieces of the national heritage shouldn't be trifled with. If they are changed, it should be with broad consent of Canadians, they argued. However, a number of Tory MPs — Gerry Ritz, Peter Kent, Michelle Rempel and Candice Bergen, among others — voted to support the legislation.

Belanger has said the change would actually return the anthem closer to the original "thou dost in us command" — wording that was changed to "all thy sons" in 1913, presumably to honour men in the armed forces at the approach of the First World War. Since then, Belanger said, women have won the right to vote, to run for office and to die in combat as members of the military and the anthem should not slight half the population.

The Conservatives tried to resurrect "thou dost in us command" in the 2010 speech from the throne, only to face strong public opposition. They dropped the idea.

By The Canadian Press