



# After the Bell

in Scarborough

Retired Women Teachers of Ontario  
Organisation des enseignantes retraitées de L'Ontario

Newsletter  
March 2019

*Caring and Sharing*

## Carol Nelson - President



"I glanced out of the window at the signs of spring. The sky was almost blue. The trees were almost budding. The sun was almost bright" (M. KAUFMAN)

It has been an interesting month since we last met —lots of snow, lots of wind and lots of days when travelling was difficult...but we are here and meeting with friends and enjoying a delicious lunch. Life is good!

It has also been a busy month for the Executive. Names have been submitted for next year's Executive, Cora Bailey recipients have been chosen and the program has continued to be interesting and informative. Ideas for program have been passed on to the committee as they think about the next year.

A continued thank you to everyone who has supported the silent auction, the book sales and the 50/50 draw. Of course, a special thanks for everyone in helping Susan by submitting your luncheon money on time---much appreciated.

Enjoy the luncheon and the Health and Wellness Fair. Take time to browse, pick up brochures and talk to the representatives of the various community health groups who have come today. Carol

# Don't Forget!

**Allergy Alerts to Shelley Goodman**  
The Estate Banquet Centre  
430 Nugget Avenue  
(at Markham Road)  
Scarborough

## Don't forget to leave a cheque for the April Luncheon.

Tuesday, March 19, 2019 – 11:30  
Luncheon – Estate Banquet Centre  
Health & Wellness Fair

Tuesday, April 16, 2019 – 11:30  
Luncheon – Estate Banquet Centre  
Fashion Show  
Lady Sophisticate, Fashions with Flair

Tuesday, May 21, 2019 – 11:30  
Luncheon – Estate Banquet Centre  
Plant Sale  
Celebrating our 80+ Ladies  
Cora Bailey Awards  
Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, May 29, 2019  
Kingston Penitentiary - Trip

Wednesday, June 19, 2019  
Lion King-Trip

Tuesday, September 17, 2019  
Welcome Back Luncheon- 11:30  
Estate Banquet Centre

Grace  
For food in a world  
Where many walk in hunger  
For faith in a world  
Where many walk in fear  
For fellowship  
Where many walk alone  
We give Thee thanks,  
O God  
Amen

# Health & Wellness Fair

# RWTO/OERO ON THE GO **NEW! NEW!**



**All buses will depart PROMPTLY. Location for the bus and parking will be announced. Stay tuned!**

Paid reservations are NON-REFUNDABLE. Please let the coordinators know if you are unable to attend or are going to be late.

NOTE: Cheques for the excursions are to be made payable to Mary Morton Tours and forwarded to the coordinator of each excursion by the Payment Due Date.

Mary Morton Tours Presents  
TICO #448872

## Kingston Penitentiary Tour

**Wednesday, May 29, 2019**

Includes bus, lunch at Dox, Penitentiary tour ticket and Trolley Tour ticket

Bus departs at 8:30 a.m., returns approx. 7:30 p.m.

**Payment due May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Coordinator: Carol Everitt 905-655-0638

[carol.a.everitt@gmail.com](mailto:carol.a.everitt@gmail.com)



Even before Kingston Penitentiary closes its storied doors to some of Canada's most famous criminals, tourists are anxious to get a peek inside the soon-to-be shuttered facility.

## Lion King

**Cost \$182**

**Wednesday, June 19, 2019**

Includes bus, lunch at the Hot House Café and theatre tickets

Bus departure TBA

**Payment due: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Coordinator: Carol Everitt 905-655-0638

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Giraffes strut. Birds swoop. Gazelles leap. The entire Serengeti comes to life as never before. And as the music soars, Pride Rock slowly emerges from the mist. This is Disney's THE LION KING, making its triumphant return to the Princess of Wales Theatre

## Brigadoon

**Thursday, September 26, 2019**

**Cost: \$160**

Shaw Festival Theatre

Includes bus, shopping in Niagara-on-the-Lake, lunch at The Prince of Wales Hotel and theatre tickets

**Payment due: May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019 Luncheon**

Coordinator: Lamoine Mustard 416-494-5103

[blamoinemustard@rogers.com](mailto:blamoinemustard@rogers.com)



When New Yorkers, Tommy Albright and Jeff Douglas, get lost on a vacation in the Scottish Highlands, they stumble into Brigadoon, a mythical village that, they learn, appears for a single day once every hundred years.

## Billy Elliott

**Cost \$189**

**Tuesday, October 1, 2019**

Includes bus, shopping time, orchestra seating theatre tickets, lunch, dinner and all gratuities

Bus departs at 8 a.m., returns 8 p.m.

**Payment due: February 1, 2019**

Coordinator: Mary Marchut 416-291-2389



Dreams don't come easy in the hardscrabble mining town, riven by a bitter national strike, where eleven-year-old Billy lives with his bereaved family. But Billy's discovery of his talent for dance awakens in him a passion that will transform his life and win the hearts of his whole community. With its inspirational story, breathtaking dance numbers and music by pop legend Elton John, this award-winning show – based on the smash-hit movie – will appeal to all.

# Health & Wellness FAIR

Is it time to have a check-up on your health and wellness? Join us at the March Luncheon for an opportunity to chat with a variety of vendors about many health issues during our Health and Wellness Fair. The vendors will be ready for you to browse, gather information and brochures and ask questions from 1:00 - 2:30pm.

Thank you,  
Program Committee

## COMING in APRIL Fashion Show Luncheon Lady Sophisticate, Fashions with Flair



We will be showcasing the fashions from Lady Sophisticate at the April Luncheon. They offer an eclectic mix of fashions ranging from sportswear to smart dressing in sizes 4-16, with larger sizes available.

A pop-up shop, featuring tops, handbags, jewelry and scarves, will be open after the show, with Mastercard, Visa and American Express accepted.



**Be sure your cheque is received on time.**

Tuesday, April 16 Luncheon – due date April 5  
Tuesday, May 21 Luncheon – due date May 10

**BOOKS** There will be a book sale at the March luncheon. Please remember to bring only paperbacks books as hard covered books are too heavy. Chris

## SILENT AUCTION



There will **NOT** be a Silent Auction at the March Luncheon. The Fundraising Committee wants to thank the members who donated so many lovely items to our Silent Auction in February.

Thank you.  
Lynne Said, Allison Chase

## EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

### Christmas Toy Collection

We are looking for someone to organize our Christmas Gift collection, in November. This involves a reminder to members and bundling up the gifts after the luncheon. It is not an onerous job, and everyone will help.

### Assistant Treasurer

Susan Urie, our amazing Assistant Treasurer, is retiring next year (2019-2020) and we are looking for someone to fill her big shoes.

Susan looks after the list of members, whose cheques she has received, for each luncheon. She will work alongside you next year to ensure you are comfortable with the position. This job could also be shared by 2 members if needed.

Please see or call Linda Jarvis for more information.  
[linjar@rogers.com](mailto:linjar@rogers.com)

# We need everyone's help



The Branch always appreciates your support and truly wants to make your luncheon experience fun. Your help and understanding is needed to ensure that our luncheons are organized and ready for you.

- Note the due date that your cheque must reach the treasurer's mailbox.
- Make sure your bank account will cover your cheque.
- We are unable to accept CASH.
- If your cheque does not reach Susan on time, a lunch will not be ordered for you.
- Why not leave a cheque for the next luncheon as you leave The Estate. Many of us do.
- If you can't come to a luncheon, for which you paid, contact Susan Urie as soon as possible and let her know.
- If you do not let Susan know before the Friday deadline, your cheque will be cashed. There will be no exceptions!
- The Branch must pay for all lunches that have been ordered.

**Please do not just show up for a luncheon.** The Estate has requested there be no last-minute extra table set up. The number of tables and meals ordered are planned and set a week before the luncheon.

Treasurers: Linda Jarvis [linjar@rogers.com](mailto:linjar@rogers.com)  
Susan Urie [susan-urie@rogers.com](mailto:susan-urie@rogers.com)



## 50/50 DRAW

Don't forget your toonies at the March luncheon to purchase draw tickets, one for \$2 or three tickets for \$5. Half goes to you and half for the Branch treasury! You may be lucky!

**GET READY TO WIN BIG!**

## PILL BOTTLE COLLECTION RETURNING IN MARCH AND APR



Jubilee United Church is collecting bottles and have agreed to let us bring our empty containers to their drop off location. There are some new 'rules for the bottles that we can collect:

- only plastic vials –colour and size do not matter
- each vial must have its own lid
- **NO** vitamin bottles or hard plastic bottle.
- labels need to be removed. Soaking them sometimes works. Personal information must be removed. Vials must be as clean as possible.

**There will be bag for collecting them near the podium in March and April.**

## LUNCHEON PHOTOS

More luncheon photos can be seen at:

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/gN2cvnmyY3R6JGo49>  
Copy and paste this address into to your browser to view photos.



## GOODWILL

We sent a sympathy card to Marianne Rose and family whose father, Albert Tapper passed away in February. A donation was made to the Alzheimer's society in his memory.

We sent a sympathy card to the family of Margaret Hughes who recently passed away.  
Betty

# RWTO/OERO 63<sup>rd</sup>

## CONVENTION

June 4 – 6, 2019

*Presented by: The Area 13 Branches  
Lincoln West, Niagara Falls  
Niagara South, St. Catharines*



**Holiday Inn and Suites  
St. Catharines, ON**

<http://rwto.org/convention/convention-2019/>

Contact: Marilyn Emmett (Convenor)

[marilyn.emmett5@gmail.com](mailto:marilyn.emmett5@gmail.com)

905 646 5543

Details will be in the March issue of *Connections*.



## OUTREACH

There **WILL** be our regular collection of **new, unopened** toiletries and baby products, as well as 3-4-month-old magazines at the March Lunch.

Thank you.

Sheila & Trudy

## IMPORTANT REMINDER

If you have any questions regarding membership, please contact:

Marg Lyons- Membership Chair 2018- 2019

[marglyons@hotmail.com](mailto:marglyons@hotmail.com)

If your e-mail changes, please contact:

Connie Cole- Communications Co-Chair 2018-2019

[ed.cole@sympatico.ca](mailto:ed.cole@sympatico.ca)

If your phone number changes, please contact:

Elaine Apted- Communications Co-Chair 2018-2019

416-293-0844

[elaineapted@sympatico.ca](mailto:elaineapted@sympatico.ca)



## To all our members who:

1. remember to send their luncheon cheques in on time
2. who leave cheques for luncheons in advance
3. who remember they don't like salmon and tell Shelley
4. wear their name tags
5. who don't wear their name tags home
6. who leave with the same coat they arrived with
7. arrange beautiful centerpieces for us
8. who have your name tags ready for you
9. bring donations for Juliette's Place
10. deliver your donations to Juliette's Place
11. who shop for sports equipment & backpacks for kids
12. who donate \$ for sports equipment & backpacks
13. who plan, book arrangements, collect \$ for our trips
14. organize entertainment for our luncheons
15. send us cards when we are sick
16. keep track of our money and pay our luncheon bills
17. organize our contact information every year
18. collect our membership money and forms
19. who send us a Dispatch every month
20. who send us a newsletter every month
21. who save our history in the archives for us
22. who bring us books, in a suitcase, to share
23. who greet us at the door of the luncheons
24. who take our pictures at the luncheons
25. who keep us informed of our insurance coverage
26. who let us know when a member has passed away
27. who raise funds, with silent auctions, every luncheon
28. who look after our 50/50 draw
29. who celebrate our most senior members with us
30. who honour those who have contributed so much
31. who donate gifts for less fortunate kids at Christmas
32. who deliver car loads of gifts to the Police Station
33. who look after our special diet restrictions for us

**Your Executive is always looking  
for new members.  
Come & join us!**



Author Barb Dickson  
*Where the Irish Died*



The local news station was interviewing an 80-year-old lady because she had just gotten married for the fourth time.

The interviewer asked her questions about her life, about what it felt like to be marrying again at 80, and then about her new husband's occupation. "He's a funeral director," she answered. "Interesting," the newsman thought... He then asked her if she wouldn't mind telling him a little about her first three husbands and what they did for a living.

She paused for a few moments, needing time to reflect on all those years. After a short time, a smile came to her face and she answered proudly, explaining that she had first married a banker when she was in her 20's, then a circus ringmaster when in her 40's, and a preacher when in her 60's, and now - in her 80's - a funeral director.

The interviewer looked at her, quite astonished, and asked why she had married four men with such diverse careers.

**(Wait for it...)**

- She smiled and explained, "I married one for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go."



# INSURANCE



## Eligibility

Coverage is available to you, as an RWTO/OERO member in good standing, and your spouse. Each applicant must be insured under a provincial health plan. There are no age restrictions. Members and/or spouses who live in a facility that provides health care and convalescent services as part of the resident fee are not eligible.

## Guaranteed Enrollment

If you apply within one year of the date of your retirement, you are guaranteed enrollment in the plan and do not need to complete a medical questionnaire. A pre-existing condition clause applies (see page 9).

## When Is a Medical Questionnaire Required?

If you apply later than one year after your retirement date, you will be required to complete a medical questionnaire. Your application will be subject to approval by Manulife. Your spouse must complete a medical questionnaire regardless of your retirement date.

## Satisfaction Guarantee

If, upon receipt of your contract, you are not completely satisfied, the premium you have paid will be refunded, provided the policy is returned to Manulife within 10 days.

If you have any questions on new enrollment, please call toll-free:

1 866 410-0550

or e-mail us at:

[am\\_service@manulife.com](mailto:am_service@manulife.com)

For further assistance, please contact:

Terry M. Kennedy

519 583-0098

[tkennedy34@bell.net](mailto:tkennedy34@bell.net)

(Members currently insured in the plan,  
please call 1 800 268-3763)

## NEW CLAIMS ADDRESS

P O Box 670

Stn. Waterloo,

Waterloo, ON, N2J 4B8

## CHECK YOUR RECEIPTS BEFORE LEAVING THE STORE



Many shops now ask if you need a receipt, otherwise you don't get one. They do not automatically hand you a receipt anymore if the sale is under \$30. You must ask for it...

An associate bought several items the other day while holidaying in

Melbourne (over \$450), & when he glanced at his receipt, as the cashier was handing him the bags, he saw a "cash out" of \$20. He told her he didn't request any cash and to delete it. She said he'd have to take the \$20 because she couldn't delete it.

The supervisor came and also said he'd have to take it. Taking the \$20 would be a cash advance against his Credit Card and he wasn't paying interest on a cash advance!!!!

If they couldn't delete it then they would have to delete the whole order. The supervisor had the cashier delete the whole order and re-scan everything! The second time he looked at the electronic pad before he pinned in his number and again cash-back of \$20 popped up. He told the cashier, once again and she deleted it. The total then came out right.

The cashier said that the Electronic Pad must be defective. Obviously, the cashier knew the electronic pad wasn't defective because she NEVER offered him any cash after either of the transactions.

Can you imagine how many people went through before him and by the end of her shift, how much money she pocketed?

His wife went into a Coles Warehouse last week. She had her items rung up by the cashier. The cashier hurried her along and didn't give her a receipt. She asked the cashier for the receipt and the cashier seemed annoyed but gave it to her.

She didn't look at her receipt until later that night when back at their Hotel. The receipt showed that she had asked for \$20 cash. SHE DID NOT ASK FOR ANY CASH, NOR WAS SHE GIVEN IT! She called Coles who investigated but could not see that the cashier pocketed the money.

Apparently the cashier will key in that you asked for cash and then hand it to one of her friends when they next come through the check-out line.

## COMMUNICATIONS

Ladies, if you know of a member who has lost a loved one, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can inform our members. We can't always tell by the death notices, in the newspapers, if one of our members is suffering a loss. Parents' and siblings' names are usually different from members' names. It is important that we get the information out as quickly as possible.

Having said that, we need to ensure we have as many details as possible so that we're not sending out addendums. We also need reliable corroboration so that we don't, heaven forbid, make an error. Thank you for your attention to this matter!

Connie Cole, Elaine Apted,  
Communication Team

## GREETERS



If you would like to be a volunteer Greeter for the first time or repeat a happy experience welcoming member to a luncheon, please contact me.

Helen Sharpe 416-491-9205 [rsharpe2345@gmail.com](mailto:rsharpe2345@gmail.com)

## ALLERGIES AND DIET RESTRICTIONS:



If you have food allergies or dietary restrictions, it is important that we know about these so that accommodations can be made for you. We need to have the information **BEFORE** the luncheon.

Please call **Shelley Goodman** at **416-491-1683** or e-mail her at

[shelley.goodman@sympatico.ca](mailto:shelley.goodman@sympatico.ca) to let

her know about these allergies or restrictions. She will confirm the change with you once you have advised her. If fruit for dessert is the only change you require, then you will not have to inform her every month. This will be done automatically. Please keep Shelley informed if there are changes during the year. We want to ensure that you enjoy each and every lunch!

# Treasurer's Report – March 2019

Linda Jarvis

Bank balance February 7, 2019 \$10830.05

## Income

February luncheon	\$4025.00	
Silent auction	156.00	
Book sale	39.15	
50/50	113.00	
Pins	5.00	
Total	\$4338.15	
		\$15168.20

## Expenses

February luncheon	\$4218.21
Cathie MacGillivray – newsletter	44.75
Donna Husband – flowers	53.62
Speaker – Barbara Dickson	200.00
Mary Marchut – registered mail	12.88
Trudy Sutton – shelter	250.00
Children's Wish Foundation	200.00
RWTO/OERO Convention – four delegates	1220.00
Total	\$6199.46

Bank balance March 7, 2019 \$8968.74

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Cheques are made payable to  
"RWTO Scarborough"

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