



Lydia Snow North Halton RWTO/OERO

April 2024 Newsletter

What a great meeting we had in March at the Gellert Centre. What a patient wife Sandy was! I'm not sure I would have wanted to partake in all those flying trips - especially taking four days to fly to Florida! I am aware that a number of our members are not receiving these newsletters. Please check in with your Lydia Snow Besties and make sure they are receiving their monthly newsletters. I plan to send this information through gmail and hotmail, with the prayer that everyone receives at least one copy. You may be lucky enough to get two! Here are a few things you need to know before our April meeting!

1. You will receive Committee Reports through a separate email from Deb Rauch. Please read through these reports as we will be using a Consent Agenda for approval. If you have a concern about any of the reports, please contact Deb Rauch. You will receive these on April 8.
2. You received the Revised Constitution with the March newsletter. We have made one update since this to align with wording in the Provincial Constitution as follows: "Educational Worker" has been changed to "Professional Educator". The Revised Constitution will be voted on separately.

3. The budget will be presented by Jeanne Gray and voted on separately. If you have any concerns, please email Jeanne prior to the meeting.
4. We have a very packed meeting, so we will start at 9:45 sharp! Please see the agenda below.

Lydia Snow North Halton Annual General Meeting

Date and Time: **Friday, April 19th**, Coffee and chat 9:15-9:45. **Meeting begins at 9:45 sharp.**

Place: Acton Town Hall Centre, 19 Willow Street, Willow Hall.

Entertainment - "Sharp Attack" - An A Capella Group

Lunch: Shepherd's Pie, salad, dessert.

Cost: \$20.00. Please RSVP to Jeanne Gray by **April 12** and indicate any dietary restrictions you may have.

E-transfer: lydiasnow1999@gmail.com.

Mail cheque to: Jeanne Gray at 12 Nixon Cres, Georgetown, L7G 5K4. A phone call to let her know you are coming would be helpful, 905-877-3380.

Membership dues of \$60.00 (\$20.00 for Social Members) can also be paid now.

Cheques should be made out like this: RWT of Ontario- Lydia Snow Branch.

AGM Agenda:

1. In Memoriam to honour Geraldine Barnes, Emma Lou Bradley, Jean Somerville and Frances Trowbridge
2. Approval of Consent Agenda (2023 AGM Minutes, Executive, Ad Hoc and Standing Committee Reports)
3. Constitution Amendments
4. Budget
5. Approval of Slate of Officers and Installation of Officers (see below)
6. Resolutions for Provincial AGM and straw vote (see below)

7. Presentations to those leaving an Office
8. Other Business
9. Passing the Gavel and Adjournment
10. Entertainment: Sharp Attack
11. Lunch and Chatter!

Slate of Officers: We still need a Second Vice-President. Without one, the work for the Executive is spread extra-thin. Please consider stepping up to this position if you have not had the opportunity to be part of the Executive. I promise you - we have lots of fun!

Resolutions for Provincial AGM found in March Connections:

Resolutions 1-5 were submitted by Area 12 among others. We voted to support these in October.

Resolution 6 states:

"Be it resolved that the organization currently known as Retired Women Teachers of Ontario/Organisation des enseignantes retraitées de l'Ontario change its name to Retired Women Educators of Ontario/Organisation des enseignants retraitées de l'Ontario."

The rationale is in your copy of March Connections or can be found at rwto.org

We will allow some time to discuss this. We ask that if someone has already made your point, you allow that to be sufficient since we have such a packed morning.

Resolution 7 will occur only if Resolution 6 passes. It states:

"Be it resolved that all RWTO/OERO branded materials continue to be used until the current supply is depleted and then be replaced with RWEO/OERO branded materials."

Membership Pictures

Please check out the new Membership Album found on the table where you get your name tag. This can be done before the meeting or during lunch.

If you would like your picture updated, please sign the list and we will get that done over time.

If you don't have a picture in the album, we will be tracking you down to do that. LeAnne, Sandra R-L and Trixy will be asking you to smile!

May Meeting:

Wednesday May 22, 10:00 AM

Field Trip to The Royal Botanical Gardens

Cost: \$25.00 - Admittance and Guided Two-Hour Tour

Please pay by April 22.

Please sign the transportation sheets by Jeanne:

"I need a ride" or "I can provide a ride" if either applies to you. The Executive will organize car-pooling.

Whew - we are a busy bunch! You will have some reading to do before the meeting - The Constitution, the Reports from Executive, Standing and Ad Hoc Committees, the Budget and the Resolutions for Provincial AGM. You won't be bored this week!

Yours In Caring and Sharing,
LeAnne - on behalf of the Executive!