

BRUCE MINES AND AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Tuesday, April 07, 2009 – UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY – 8:00 A.M.

WEBSITE: www.brucemineschamber.com

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Present:

Brian Torrance – Torrance Custom Interiors
Bill Gunn - Fine Pine Things
Phil Rouleau - Royal Bank Bruce Mines
Robert Young - Algoma Boat Charters
Marla McPhee- M&J Hair Boutique
Loralee Gordon – Union Public Library
Ted Alleway - Iron Thistle
Carol Rickard - The Pizza Lady and Lion’s Club
Merin Smith - Barlow Chimney Sweeps

Regrets:

Pat Peterson – Bruce Bay Cottages & Lighthouse
Larry Peterson – Peterson & Peterson Law Firm
Jean Hershey - Rydal Bank Historical Society and Library

Call to Order: Brian Torrance called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Past Minutes :- Motion: Phil Rouleau + Bill Gunn that the minutes of March 03, 2009 be adopted as presented – carried

Treasurer’s Report: - no report

Insurance: – no report

French Fryer: - no report

Chamber Website: Pat Peterson sent a report which stated that the Bruce Mines & District Chamber of Commerce web site has a new and improved look so everyone can check it out. Some new pictures will be taken in the spring for some of the businesses. Alison has done a fantastic job.

Loralee stated that there is now a link from the library web site.

Web Marketing: Pat Peterson sent a report stating that the committee is waiting for the maps to be updated.

Membership: Phil reported that we have 35 members. We welcome Robert Young of Algoma Boat Charters.

Chamber Brochure: Bill would like to know of any coming events for 2009 so that he can prepare an insert for the brochure. If you know of any events please contact Bill by the end of April so they can be included.

Four & Friends Art Show & Sale: Brian reported that the artists have been arranged and the paperwork will be going out. There will soon be a call for volunteers to help with the set up and staffing of the event.

Rydal Bank Historical Society: - no report

Library : Lorelee reported that the library will be hosting a **FREE teen Resume Writing and Interview Skills Workshop** on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 7:00 to 9:00 pm.
PRE – REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Call 785-3370

The Library has been given a copy of the film **Ken MacDougall: The Enjoyment of Form** . Check it out!

Town Master Plan: no report

Algoma Kinnewabi Tourist Association: no report

Trade Fair: Brian will be meeting with Elaine Switzman and Tracey Buck in May about the possibility of changing the format of the Trade Fair and perhaps encouraging members of the general public to attend. If you have any suggestions please let Brian know.

Bruce Mines and District Historical Society: Bill reported that Ron has made up ads aimed at Fund Raising.

Carol reported that the **Lion's Club** will be hosting a Mother's Day Chinese Lunch with proceeds to the Bruce Mines Museum repairs.

Mother's Day Chinese Lunch

Sunday May 10

12:00 – 2:00

Bruce Station Hall

Adults **\$12**

Children 6-10 **\$6**

5 years & under **\$2**

Tickets available at **Pizza Lady, M& J Hair Boutique** or any **Lions member**

Film Night: Jean Hershey sent a report stating that the Film Night featuring Ken MacDougall: The Enjoyment of Form held on March 28 was a great success. There were 44 people in attendance and \$285.00 was raised for the Four and Friends Scholarship fund and everyone reported having a pleasant evening and enjoyed the film. It was wonderful that artist Ken MacDougall, film producer Anne O'Connor, film maker Dan Nystedt and Photographer Valerie Robson were all able to attend and that we were able to display two of Ken's original paintings during the evening. The Lighthouse Lounge provided by Pat and Lary Peterson was perfect for the evening and thanks go to Pat and Larry for their support of this venture. Thanks also to all who helped to make the evening a success.

Citizen of the Year: no report

Royal Canadian Legion: Cheryl O'Hara s sent this report. The Legion Canada July1st Committee is working hard and getting some things organized for the big day.

The weekend of April 24 there are several events at the Legion

Friday night the 24 th	Music and Meat Draws
Sat. 10 am	ATV Poker Run Registration at the Legion by 10
Sunday 11 to 2 .m.	French Toast & Sausage Brunch at the Legion \$6 for adults \$4 kids 8 and under

New Business: Bill has concerns about the Snowmobile Trails that lead into town. He will approach the Sno Glyders to see how Chamber might be able to help with signage.

Marla reported that she has heard about Country Music Festival scheduled to happen in Bruce Mines the last weekend of July. No one else at the table had heard about it as yet.

Cheryl is holding a special for **Mother's Day on Saturday May 2nd**

10 a.m. Noon or 2p.m.

\$10 per person

Facial and glamour makeovers

Special packages for Mother's Day will be on sale

Door prized for all 3 seesions

Limited space ASAP 785 1038 to reserve your seat for learning & fun

Cheryl O'Hara, 1621 Hwy 638, Rydal Bank

SERENTIY SPA is offering Easter Specials call Arlene at 785 3647

Next Meeting: Tuesday May 5, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. at the Library.

Adjournment: Bill Gunn at 8:35 a.m.