



**BGRETA Branch 2100 Langley /Surrey**

**Meeting time: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month**

**1:00 – 3:00 PM**

**Location: Langley Seniors Resource Society  
20605- 51b Ave, Langley**

**April 2023**

<b>Meeting dates,</b>	Chair: Wilf Brodrick	<a href="mailto:chair.branch2100@bcgre.ca">chair.branch2100@bcgre.ca</a>
March 20,2023	Vice Chair: Robin Rutherford	<a href="mailto:vicechair.branch2100@bcgre.ca">vicechair.branch2100@bcgre.ca</a>
April 17,2023	Secretary: Carol Paulson	<a href="mailto:secretary.branch2100@bcgre.ca">secretary.branch2100@bcgre.ca</a>
May 15,2023	Treasurer: Lu Gaudet	<a href="mailto:treasurer.branch2100@bcgre.ca">treasurer.branch2100@bcgre.ca</a>
June 19, 2023	Membership Chair: Janice Leonard	<a href="mailto:membership.branch2100@bcgre.ca">membership.branch2100@bcgre.ca</a>

**Directors:**

**Goodwill and welfare:**  
Surindar Angl,

**Registration:**  
Marina Stevens,

**Guest Speaker**

**Coordinator:**  
Darryl Walker

**Conveners:**  
Linda Mann  
Christine Sereda

**Phoning Coordinator:**  
Chris Roberts:

**Vacant Positions/ Wish list  
Newsletter:**

**Carpooling Coordinator:**

**Other possibilities are  
open for suggesting, this  
is your group, your social  
life is a priority.**

**Current Membership for Branch 2100 Langley/Surrey**

**Approximate meeting attendance is** 40-50 members



From the Membership Chair. Janice Leonard

Hello members, I just found this comment, from a newsletter Branch 2000 put out in 2015

Aristotle said or observed that human beings are a social animal. We crave contact with others. It is suggested that with absence of friendship, physical and mental health can be put at risk. The presence of family and friends is crucial. This measure in our social lives can create a well-being. The importance of human companionship is a must. Despite all our obstacles, reasons, or petty excuses, let us remember the presence and being with family, friends, our friends and associates, leaves us happier and healthier.

We have a large group of members, a great resource, with lots of possibilities for members to reach out and to full fill their desires, whether it is sharing information on gardening, vacations, recipes, hobbies, or even simple repairs.

Volunteering possibilities, arranging walks or outings. These things are all achievable if you wish to put in the time. Just submit your thoughts and plan to me at [membershipchair.branch2100@bcgre.ca](mailto:membershipchair.branch2100@bcgre.ca) I will print it in the next newsletter, to be posted on BCGREA website, under our branch link. Please ensure the information you provide is what you wish published.




New Branch secretary Carol Paulson lives in Langley. With her lifelong passion for food safety and security, she enjoys growing and preserving fruit and vegetables on the acre that she and her husband Stewart developed over the last 35 years. Carol is also a founding member, and current secretary/treasurer, of the Langley Sustainable Agriculture Foundation.



### Do You Know

- 1) When was the first iPod released?
- 2) What year was Kodak founded?
- 3) What Charles Dickens novel begins with the sentence, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times"?
- 4) "Call me Ishmael" is the first line from what classic novel?
- 5) Which Italian town is the setting for Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet?
- 6) When was the great Canadian Maple Syrup Heist? ? ? Though the stolen syrup was worth **over \$18 million**, during the trial in Quebec Superior Court, he said he sold the syrup for \$10 million and made a personal profit of about \$1 million.

### Did you know

- Is "eh" a real word? **Answer: yes, Oxford English dictionary definition is**, an exclamation used to represent a sound made in speech, especially one used to express enquiry, surprise, or to elicit agreement."
- Did you know that The Canadian flag was not inaugurated until 1965. Before that, the Union Jack and [Red Ensign](#)  were commonly used. The colors of the flag, white and especially red, are representative of Canada.
- two indigenous youths referred to their village (present-day Quebec city) as *kanata* when speaking to the explorer Jacques Cartier, and he continued to use to word to refer to the area.

1) 2001, 2) 1892, 3) *A tale of Two Cities*, 4) *Moby Dick*, 5) *Verona*. 6) 2011 – 2012 nearly 3,000 tons of maple syrup.