

April 16 2026



SLR's Annual General Meeting was held Thursday, April 9, 2026. Here are the highlights of the meeting.

- President Twyla Atchison chaired the meeting as our current chair, Paul Webb, was unable to attend due to health reasons; well wishes were extended.
- About 40 people attended, establishing a quorum.
- The Director's Report highlighted the successes and challenges of the organization over the year.
- VP Burton Moon gave an update of our Strategic Plan.
- Board Secretary Lydia Keras reviewed the organization of the Board and Executive
- Treasurer Ed Jambor reviewed SLR's financial report from 2025-26,
  - highlighting another year of revenue shortfall, although our financial base remains sound.
  - presenting the budget for 2026-27, as approved by the Board, balancing revenue and expenses with the following modest impacts to our fees to address the deficit issue:
    - Annual membership fee will increase from \$25 to \$30 (still a bargain!)
    - Fee for Interest Groups using Grosvenor Lodge from September to June increased to \$45
- Financial Reviewer, Tom Moore, found our financial records to be in order and was unanimously voted in for another term.
- Outgoing Board members Paul Webb, Janet Williams and Irene Rusnell were thanked for their service, and Board nominees Don Efron, Lynn Huizer and Lisa Darling were introduced and unanimously voted in.
- A big thank you was extended to our current volunteers; new volunteers were encouraged.
- In Paul's absence, Ed Jambor passed the ceremonial gavel to the new Chair, Twyla Atchison.
- As always, our Social Committee did their usual wonderful job of serving refreshments which helped make everyone feel welcome.

## Your new Board:

- Chair: Twyla Atchison
- President: Burton Moon
- Vice President: Terri Lyons
- Treasurer: Ed Jambor
- Secretary: Lydia Keras
- Directors-at-Large: Susan Booth, Brian Glasspoole, Ron Monk, Lisa Darling, Don Efron and Lynn Huizer





## SPRING OPEN HOUSE

Mother Nature was not kind to us on the day of our Open House, Tuesday! I am sure that affected the turnout of potential members. Nonetheless, we all had a good time interacting and socializing with each other. Marnin Heisel and his grad student from UWO got lots of volunteers for their research, we obtained three new SLR members, and several spaces got filled in Spring courses. Here are a few candid pics

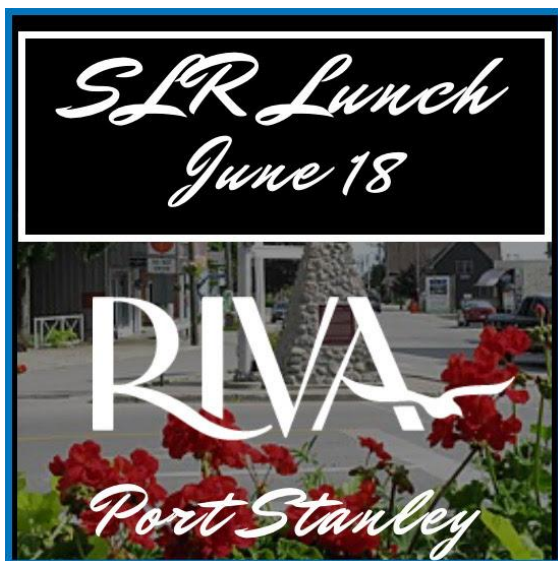
from the day. Photo credit to [Annette Spracklan](#).



## EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO ON SLR'S CALENDAR



**COFFEE CHAT** Connect with other members of SLR from the comfort of your own home. Although our format is unstructured, there is an assigned host who helps keep things moving. Each week you will receive an **email with a link to Zoom** to connect online. The rest of the schedule for **the month of April** includes Saturday April 18 10:00 am, Friday April 24 1:30.



**Discover Riva Italian Restaurant** in beautiful Port Stanley, Ontario. Indulge in authentic Italian cuisine with stunning lake views.

191 Carlow Road  
Port Stanley ON

When: Thursday, June 18, 2026, Time: Noon  
Members will be responsible for the cost of their meals.

30 seats available

**Register using the following link:**

<https://slrlondon.com/product-category/social-events>

**\*\*Last day for registration is June 11, 2026\*\***

### **COREGISTRATION REMAINS OPEN FOR THE NEXT COUPLE OF DAYS**

Our Spring Term is about to begin (week of April 20). Some of our classes are full but a few still have room for one or more members.

The co-registration opportunity remains open until Friday (SLR's version of BOGO - buy one, get one free).

Co-registration allows you to take another course at NO COST - BUT you must already be registered for a course of similar or higher value. And your membership must be current.

Courses with one or more openings:

**STUDY GROUPS:** Ancient Civilizations; Great Gardens of the World.

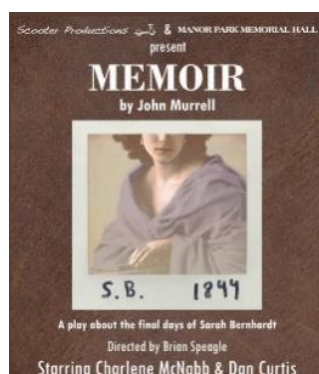
**DISCUSSION GROUPS:** Our London: A Bicentennial Celebration; Where the Roots Speak: A Journey Through *The Overstory*.

**ACTIVITY GROUPS:** Picture This – both sessions; Walk This Way.

**INTEREST GROUPS:** Photography Club

For more information, check out our website: <https://slrlondon.com/>

To co-register, email [slrregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:slrregistrar@gmail.com) and put Co-Register in the subject line. (You cannot co-register using the website as you will be automatically charged the full fee.)



It is the summer of 1922, Sarah Bernhardt's last at her beloved island estate off the coast of Brittany. Sarah enters a world of memories, spanning her entire life and theatre career. John Murrell has created a moving and complex script that has touched theatregoers around the world.

***AlvegoRoot Theatre is a professional theatre based in London Ontario, dedicated to telling local stories and creating local theatre.***

At AlvegoRoot you get to have the rarified experience of seeing new, locally produced plays, on stage for the first time...you get the bragging rights of telling people years afterwards "I was one of the first people to see that play".

**Where: Manor Park Memorial Hall**

**11 Briscoe St W**

**London ON**

**When: Saturday, May 2, 2026 at 2pm**

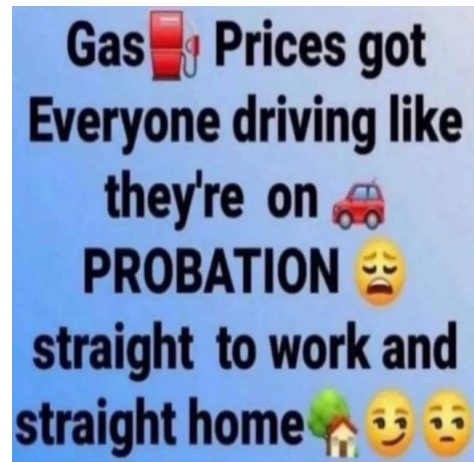
**Cost: \$30 20 tickets available**

**Registration closes April 17, 2026**

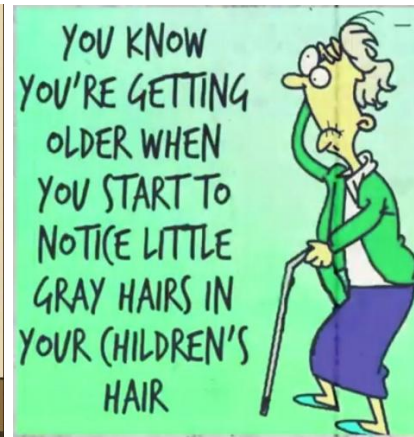
**Buy your tickets using the following link: <https://slrlondon.com/product-category/social-events>**

**Tickets will be distributed up at the venue on the day of the performance.**

## UGHTER IS THE BEST MEDICINE



"How many surrealists does it take to screw in a light bulb?  
A fish"



*Happy Birthday to all our members born in April. Persons born in April are loyal and generous – the most desirable qualities in a friend. Because of their empathetic nature, April born make wonderful friends, but more than that, they value friendships. They give a lot of importance to their friends, sometimes even more than family.*

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