

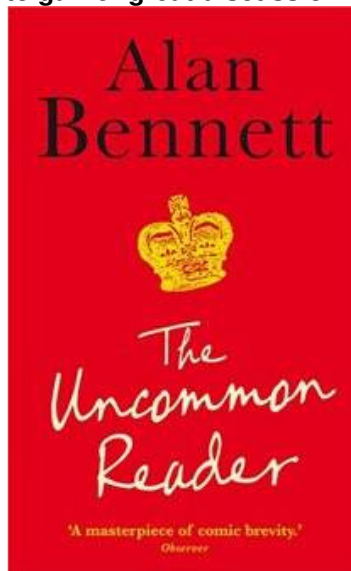
The first official WOW Newsletter!

By this time, you all know that **WOW** stands for *Women of Wellington*, don't you?? But, even if you don't attend Wellington Square Church you are a WOW woman to us because you are...well, just... WOW!

The News:

NEXT BOOK CLUB: Monday January 9, 2012, 7 pm at Fran Anderson's home on Emerald Street - the book is called **The Uncommon Reader** by Alan Bennett. **A Different Drummer** book store on Locust Street has agreed to support **WOW** book club by offering our book selections for the same on line price as Chapters. We have ordered 20 copies of this book. Just say you are with the WOW book club and you will get the book for under \$10! Here's the description:

At 120 pages, this charming novella focuses on Queen Elizabeth as she loses her desire for Queenly duties once she starts to read books. I LOVED this little book - it's fun, a quick read and promises to garner great discussion in January!



More book news! We now have a WOW lending library - we are purchasing one book for each selection to loan out to members and to maintain a library of our selections for those who want to read them in the future. **PLUS**, if you are a fast reader and are willing to lend your book to a member before that book club discussion, you can pass your book along to Nancy James who will track members looking to read the book - she will be our official WOW LIBRARIAN!! njthecaptain@yahoo.ca

RETREAT NEWS! The next WOW Retreat will be **June 8-10, 2012** at The Mount Mary Retreat Centre - registration will start the first Sunday in February, unless you want to register on line, more on that later! The theme this year is **Amazing Peace**. Mark your calendars for an amazing week-end! This year we will have a new facilitator. Judy Savoy is a dynamic and engaging Christian speaker and comedian based in Halifax who leverages humour to help people connect with God. We've heard amazing things about Judy and can't wait to have her lead us in June!

WOW Prayer Team Our group has grown to over 100 members in the last 4 years. Some of you may not be aware of the prayer team at church so we wanted to offer prayer for you through this ministry. Heather Germain has offered to lead the WOW Prayer team. Each book club, we will have prayer cards beside a prayer box for you to write your requests to Heather. They can be anonymous or if you want to connect with her, add your name and email and she will stay in touch. She is also available on line if you'd like to email her. All requests are honored with the utmost confidentiality. heather.germain@metatech.ca

Donations We are blessed beyond words to have you contribute to the food and costs of Book Club. After we pay fabulous Diane for the food and wine, the balance is banked for our two causes: The Deb

Pugh Bursary which helps send women to our annual retreat and The Wesley Centre Christmas Store where we purchase new linens for families in need. Also the proceeds from our annual auction are the greatest contributor to the Bursary. Last year 8 women benefited from your generosity and were able to attend the retreat.

Letters to our Soldiers After reading our last book "Unbroken", Sue Mummery has offered to help anyone who is interested in writing letters to our soldiers. Thank you Sue, a beautiful idea. You can contact her at: samba@mountaincable.net

Contest: We need a name for our newsletter - WOW News just doesn't do it. We have a special prize for the winning entry - just respond to this email and we'll let you know in the next month.

Thanks for reading our first newsletter - we hope to stay in touch with you each month. This is a busy time of year for everyone. Shopping, entertaining, decorating, wrapping, cooking, cleaning again and again...

I pray you take time to rest and remember to look up and know that you are deeply loved. *"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!" John 3:1*

Blessings and Love,
Margaret