



by Gillian Faulkner

A fairly small group met for the April 23 branch meeting, elections, and book swap—the more hardy, perhaps, as there had been torrential rain, and part of the subway system had been closed for the day.

Once the business part of the evening was over, small groups formed around the food—a delicious assortment of fruit and cheese, wine, and beer—and, of course, around the books. The atmosphere was warm, the conversation easy, and the topics hugely varied.

Books were swapped, stories exchanged, memories evoked—who can cross the Bloor-Danforth Bridge by subway and not be reminded of *In the Skin of the Lion*?



Opinions were shared —how quickly textbooks can seem dated, what are the best movies, what a great city Toronto is, and so much more.

People mixed and mingled, or sat quietly reading, a testament to the comfortable welcome the association offers. And when I finally left for home, it was with the sure knowledge that “It’s going to be different growing older in this century; it’s going to be better.”¹ I’ll raise a glass to that!

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¹ Cover review for *The Coming Age Revolution* by Reginald Stackhouse. Warwick Publishing Inc.

