

Next Meeting July 19 2019 <u>At 10:30</u>

at:

The L.I.E. premises 3, rue de Monthoux Assignment: Change Leader: Rose

With the heavy storms and monsoon like rain we have experienced during the last week, we all came prepared for rain. Luckily it did not prevent us from meeting as usual in the Library's Reading Room.

Those in attendance were Rose (leader) and Marlene (secretary) and Zinat.

We received apologies from Eva.



Business:

Ann Richter, a potential member telephoned to thank the group for the warm welcome she received and hoped to join as soon as her schedule permits.

As there was no further business to attend to, we proceeded to reading our different pieces.

Reading:

Zinat took over the reading as leader for this month's optional assignment, *Blessings & Curses*.

Rose began with her piece entitled Accumulation. She reminded us of a weakness many of us suffer from. We Accumulate paper: books, manuscripts and newspapers until a shelf crashes down under the weight. When Rose and her husband cleared out their accumulated paper, a shelf collapsed. This was a blessing in disguise as the blueprints of an old project were uncovered. It proved to be a fortuitous accident as they lodged the patent and

with its implementation profits therefrom came rolling in.

Marlene's piece covered her efforts to save with the aim of purchasing an apartment. Though, with the financial crash in 2008 her plans were overthrown. It made her relook her priorities which resulted in inviting a friend to join her on a cruise to the Caribbean on the famous Queen Mary II of the Cunard Shipping Line. This became the catalyst for her future cruises with the same Line.

Zinat wrote about a man whose life was filled with meetings and travel for work. After being diagnosed with a serious illness and forced to rest completely he finally, after resisting inactivity, began to notice nature, the blue of the sky and those around him. For the first time he had time to write and realised that he was blind before and never appreciated his blessings.



Future Dates & Assignments:

You will be advised of any date changes from those listed below, before the end of the year. We list the leaders and proposed optional assignments for 2019:

Dates and assignments planned for **2019:**

July: Change - TBA

Aug: 100 Word Story - Zinat

Sept: Poetry – Marlene

Oct: Historical Personality – TBA Nov: Story through Letters - Rose

Dec: No Meeting

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