



PROBUS Club Of Clarington

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President's Message

We had a wonderful turnout of members for the January meeting plus some new members. It is great to see that we are continuing to grow. We have been very fortunate to meet in the Salvation Army Hall for a very low rental and with the use of the kitchen and set up of the room each month. The Management Committee is mindful, however, of the limitation of the size of the room and the parking facilities and continues to make enquiries of other potential venues in the event we outgrow the current one. In the meantime we hope that any inconvenience is worth it in order to come out and socialize and hear great speakers.

The Management Committee was sad to accept the recent resignation from Janice Cutting, Social Events Chair. Janice has worked tirelessly with her committee to ensure that the Club has lots of interesting trips and activities each month and has done an excellent job. Suzanne Elston, Co Vice President, has offered to replace Janice on an interim basis, for which we thank her. The Social Events are so important to the success of a Club and this Committee must be thanked for all their work and enthusiasm.

The most important thing is to enjoy your life – to be happy – it's all that matters

Audrey Hepburn

If you are experiencing the winter blues remember that the days are already getting longer and the predictions are that the winter is not going to be as bad as forecast. Maybe it is not so necessary to fly south!

Enjoy!

Victoria Girling

Our next meeting is **February 1, 2017
at 10 a.m. at the Salvation Army Community Church
Hall, 75 Liberty St. S. in Bowmanville**

**Our Guest Speaker will be Brian Duncan,
Senior Vice President, Darlington Nuclear**

SOCIAL EVENTS FOR CLARINGTON

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Interim Chair Suzanne Elston

Please pay by cheque only. Separate cheques for each event.

Please have your cheques made out BEFORE lining up for sign up.

Cheques should be made payable to “ Probus Club of Clarington”

Escape Room and Dinner

Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at 5:00pm

Cost: \$25.00 (Escape Room only)

Join us at the Panic Factory, 1413 King St East (hwy#2) in Courtice

The **Panic Factory** is a manufacturer of immersive themed escape rooms, different than anything you have experienced before.

To make your way out of interactive rooms, you will need to work with your group and use your problem-solving skills to the maximum.

The **Panic Factory** offers visitors a unique test of wits, full of puzzles and twists at every turn.

Will you escape?

After this adventure, we are gathering at the **Bittmore Tap and Grill** – corner of Nash Rd and Trull’s Rd - for drinks and pub food. **They are offering us \$8.00 pizza special.**

For more information contact Sandy Bartoli at manielhenson@hotmail.com



St. Patrick's Day Trivia Night

Friday, March 17, 2017 at 6:30 pm

Cost - \$3.00

Bobby C's Dockside Restaurant

70 Port Darlington Rd. Bowmanville

WEAR YOUR "GREEN" – EVERYBODY'S IRISH

Come out for a great night of fun and laughs! Test your trivia knowledge!

Come as teams or pairs or individually

PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!

Drinks and appetizers at your own expense

Some appetizers will be half price.

JOINT PROBUS CLUB ACTIVITIES

NEW YORK CITY

APRIL 23RD TO APRIL 29TH, 2017

COST: DOUBLE - \$3,150.00 PER PERSON

SINGLE - \$4,230.00 PER PERSON

(includes coach transportation and taxes/gratuities on meals)

Members may invite a guest

\$1900.00 p.p. deposit, non-refundable after January 25, 2017

Balance due by February 10, 2017 (non-refundable)

TOUR INCLUDES:

6-nights hotel in Times Square, breakfast daily, Dinner Cruise and meal, and
much, much more!

For more Information contact Frank Kelcey at frank.kelcey029@sympatico.ca

Special Interests News

The first **men's book club** meeting is scheduled for early February. An exact date, time and location to be determined soon. Details to follow. If you wish to sign up, please see me at the next general meeting on February first.

The **photography group** is in the early stages of development (pardon the pun). Details to follow.

The **Global destinations group** has postponed its first meeting. The new date and time is Friday, February 24, 4:00-6:00 PM.

As always, we are looking for new groups. If you have an idea for a new group, please email me, or speak to me at the meetings.

Probus Dinner Club – January 2017

We have had 7 dinners so far this year – great food, interesting conversations. Dinners have been as intimate as 5 dining, to a larger group of 16.

The next dinner will be a French Canadian theme on January 26 in Courtice.

Dinners are held in the home of a member – who sets the time, size and the theme.

The host provides the entrée and the guests bring an appetizer, salad or a dessert for the meal. Everyone brings their favourite beverage.

If you are interested in joining the group and hosting an evening, please contact: Dawn Aitken, 905-410-2133, dawn.aitken@hotmail.ca and she will give you further information.

For a complete list of special interest groups and contacts, please check out our web site.

We are always looking for new ideas, so if you have a hobby or an interest you would like to share with the membership, please let me know.

See you on February 1, 2017

John Muzik

PHOTOS

If you are part of an Interest Group, maybe you could take a photo of your group, not necessarily posed! We are keen to put some photos on the website to share the camaraderie.

PLEASE BRING A MUG TO the GENERAL MEETINGS – this cuts down on the cleanup for our House Committee. If anyone is interested in helping this committee with the refreshments set up and clean up please see Marilyn Munro at any of the General Meetings. Any help is gratefully appreciated.

NAME BADGES

Just a reminder to all members to wear your name badges to all social events and Interest groups. This is good way to get to know each other. Suggestion - If you leave it in your car it will always be there when needed.

Probus Club of Clarington Website

Can't See New Web Content? Clear Your Cache.

As promised at the January meeting, here is information to help those of you having difficulty seeing newly posted web content. Your computer saves information from web sites to speed up launching internet websites called caching. When visiting a web page your browser checks if a copy of the files on the page is in its cache already. If so, it will save some downloading and make web pages load faster. However, this may also prevent you from seeing newly posted content on websites. The solution to this issue is to clear your web browser's cache. It may also be known as temporary internet files in some browsers. The website <http://www.refreshyourcache.com/en/home/> has excellent step by step tutorials on how to clear the cache for 8 web browsers. Visit the site and click on the browser you use (Google Chrome, Firefox, Apple Safari etc.) Follow the directions to clear your cache. Note: if you are not experiencing any issues you do not need to delete the history in your browser.

FACEBOOK PAGE

It's official – PROBUS Clarington has its very own Facebook page. To join this private group, please send a request to Suzanne Elston to her Facebook account or email her at selston@gmail.com.

Please note: You must already be a member of Facebook to join the PROBUS Clarington group.

BOOK EXCHANGE

Starting in February, there will be a book exchange at the monthly PROBUS meetings. Members are invited to bring maximum of two books, per meeting, to exchange with others. Please bring current titles of interest. Members are responsible for taking home any books they bring that are not claimed.

PROBUS Club of Clarington AGM- Nominations for Management Committee Positions for 2017-18

There will be some Executive positions that will be open for nominations before the Annual General Meeting (April 5th). If anyone is interested in volunteering please monitor the website for more information over the coming weeks. There will be an announcement at the February General Meeting.

Nominations Chair - Lorraine Veroba

Annual General Meeting (AGM) – Wednesday April 5, 2017/ Membership Dues

It would be extremely helpful to both the Treasurer and the Membership Chair if members would be able to pay their \$30 annual membership as early as possible and not wait until the April General Meeting when they are due. We have a great speaker in April and we do not want to take up too much of the meeting time with administrative issues. Cheques are payable to PROBUS Club of Clarington and can be brought to the February and March meetings or mailed to Joan Pumphrey, 31 Arnold Johnston St. Courtice, L1E 0C6. Many thanks.

Notice of Motion

The following motion to amend the Club By-Laws will be made at the March 1st, 2017 General Meeting:

The second paragraph of By-Law No.4-Election of Officers be amended to remove the term “President-Elect” and replace with the term “President”.

Moved by John Muzik and seconded by Lorraine Veroba.

Any amendment requires a 2/3 majority of members present and voting at the March General Meeting.

Look forward to hearing these Speakers in the months to come:

March Westben Entertainment

April Our AGM. Speaker Christine Elliott, Ontario's first patient ombudsman

May Authors panel

June Trevor from Morris and Newcastle Funeral Homes- Pre-planning and options.

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