

PROBUS CLUB OF CLARINGTON



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Next Meeting

A reminder that our next General Meeting is on Wednesday, January 3, 10 am, The Salvation Army Community Church, 75 Liberty Street South, Bowmanville.

Guest speaker Emily Rose will talk about the art of beekeeping.

Lost Badges

Anyone who has lost their name badge or requires a second one should contact Angela Tibbles, Membership.

There is a fee for the replacement.

President's Message for December

We had such a great turnout for the Christmas Lunch on December 6th and it was a wonderful event. Thank you to the Social Committee for all their hard work in organizing this. It was a huge success.

Everyone will be busy this month but hopefully will still find time to get together with PROBUS friends. We had some new members join us over the last few months and the club welcomes you all.

The venue the Management Team was investigating for next year has not materialized so we are not moving anywhere yet. We will continue to explore some other options but we are really thankful that we are able to renew our license with the Salvation Army. They have been so kind to accommodate us in the Sanctuary over the past few months and they have confirmed that this will continue.

Since my last message my husband, Kevin, and I enjoyed a brief trip to the UK. The main purpose of the visit was to celebrate my bridesmaid's 60th birthday. She threw a black tie party for 80 guests in a pub in Sussex which dates back to 1430. What an occasion! I dusted off my one and only long cocktail dress and Kevin squeezed into his tuxedo (probably last worn 10 years ago!!). My friend certainly embraced retirement and reaching 60. Now she can begin to really have fun – just like our group.

I take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and I look forward to seeing you in the New Year. Do not forget that our first meeting is on January 3rd.

Victoria Girling

Upcoming Speakers

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

January 3

Emily Rose
Aparist

February 7

Melanie Whitfield
Lucy Maude Montgomery House

March 7

Jake McKinnon
Bethesda House

April 4

March Casson
Seniors Alternative Housing

If you are interested in introducing or thanking a speaker, please contact Karin Cashin.

A "Scent-sitive" Issue



Out of respect to our "scent-sitive" members, please refrain from wearing perfumes and colognes to PROBUS events.

Thank you!

Additional Parking

On street parking is available on Nelson Street, southeast of the Salvation Army building.

Nominations Committee Report

*Nominations for the Management Committee for 2018-19 term.
Positions begin in April 2018.*

We have the following positions open for the coming term:

President, Vice President, Secretary, and House Committee Chair

Fortunately, we have volunteers for President and the House Chair. However, we still need someone for Vice President and Secretary. If you have an interest or know someone that you would recommend, please contact a member of the Nominations Committee and we will send you a job description.

Also, anyone else who might be interested in all positions, is welcome to contact us.

There will be an election at the April A.G.M.

Thank you to the Nominations Committee members Lorraine Veroba, Nancy Muzik and Victoria Girling.



A reminder to everyone to turn off cell phones during the speaker portion of our meetings

Probus Profile: Angela Tibbles



Angela was born in London England, and came to Canada when her husband Alan was recruited by the Bank of Nova Scotia. They came with very little; bedding, dishes and three dogs. Only the English emigrate with dogs in tow!

Because of the dogs, an apartment was out of the question. So, following the advice of a salesman in the Pickering Sears store, they headed to Bowmanville in search of inexpensive, dog-friendly housing. Although the dogs are long gone, the Tibbles's are still in the century home that seemed like such a 'deal' back then.

Angela has worn a variety of professional "hats" over the years, including Executive Director of the Durham Region Lung Association, Team Leader with Partylite Canada, and co-owner (with Alan) of The Cat's Whiskers' Antiques. She is proud of her contribution toward conserving Clarington's built heritage (four-year member of the Municipal Heritage Committee and Chair for three.)

Angela currently enjoys genealogy, singing in choirs, and volunteering for the Bowmanville Museum and Bethesda House Thrift Shop.

Nowadays, Angela spends most of her time working on Book Three of her "Little Yarmouth Mystery" series.

Interest Groups

Interest Group News

"It's the most wonderful time of the year!" Okay, certainly the busiest time of the year. Before we know it, January 2018 will be upon us. There's a variety of interest groups to join to help get you through the winter months.

A **new book club** has been formed. It will be co-coordinated by Susan Wood and Susan Hollyman. The first meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2018, 10:00 AM, at the Bowmanville Library. The first meeting will be to choose books, determine how the club will run and find a creative name for the club. If you are interested in joining this club contact Susan Wood or Susan Hollyman. Sign up sheets will also be available at the next general meeting on January 3rd.

Plans are in the works for starting a joint **Durham Probus Chess club**. I currently have one member signed up. If you are interested in joining you can sign up at the next meeting. I will keep you posted.

The **genealogy club** will be starting up again in January. Lorraine Veroba has graciously agreed to take over the running of this club. We will continue to meet on the third Monday of the month, from 3-5 PM at the Courtice Library.

Interest Groups

Billiards: Meets on the first Thursday of the month at Shooters in Bowmanville.

Bird Watching: Meet monthly to visit bird hot spots to find migrating and resident birds. Monthly meeting date TBD.

Book Club II: Meets on the first Thursday of the month at the Bowmanville Library.

Breakfast Meet: Time: 9:00-11:00 AM Third Wednesday of every month. Location to be determined on a monthly basis.



Euchre: Third Thursday of the month from 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Games will be hosted in each other's homes on a rotating basis.

Fibre Arts: Meets on the fourth Monday of the month. If you are interested in needlework of any kind sign up for this group

Garden Chat: Fourth Thursday of the month. Meet over a cup of coffee and talk about gardening, tour local gardens and share ideas and experiences.

Genealogy: Bring your laptops/ tablets to the Courtice library with free access to ancestry.com. Meet on the third day Monday of the month to share tips and help each other with their searches and socialize.

Global Destinations: Members share their experiences of travel destinations around the globe. Fourth Friday of the month at 6:30 PM.

Golf: April – October. Meet every Tuesday at Stonehenge Golf club for a friendly round of golf. Lunch afterwards for those interested.

Hiking: April – October, Time: 10:00 AM Meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month to hike approximately 2 hours or 5 km at a slow pace. Dogs on leash welcome.

Lunch Meet: First Wednesday of the month after the Probus meeting.

Men's Book Club -Meets the second Thursday of the month.

Movie Club: Third Tuesday of the month. Meet for a matinee movie with a discussion to follow at a local restaurant. Movies will be chosen by members.

Scrapbooking: Meet monthly at members homes.



What's For Dinner: Gourmet Potluck Dinner Club to be held monthly at members homes.

Women's Book Club: Meets the second Thursday of the month.

Social Committee

Upcoming Social Events

**New!!! CLARINGTON PROBUS CLUB
PRESENTS**



COME FROM AWAY

It's been called the "edge of the world." The weather is wild, but the locals never lack for warmth. And it's here, in Newfoundland, where a remote town became the epicentre of a remarkable true story filled with unusual characters, unexpected camaraderie and uncommon generosity.

Date: Wednesday, August 22, 2018

Time: 1:30 pm

Cost: \$149

Includes:

- Return transportation by motor coach to Royal Alexandra Theatre, orchestra level seats and driver tip.

Contact the Social Committee to purchase tickets - on or before January 3, 2018.

For more information, send an email to dawn.aitken@hotmail.ca or visit <http://probusclarington.com/social-events>

Variety Trivia

A very different kind of Trivia

Thursday, January 11th, 2018

- Come to compete or just enjoy the show
- Featuring tons of trivia from the 50's thru 80's
- Music, Film, Sports & Lots More!

4 members per team-
Make up your own or take pot luck on the night!

Copperworks Brew Pub Restaurant
7 Division St, Bowmanville
(private back room)

- Trivia show starts at 7:00 p.m. sharp.
- Food service 5:30 -7:00 p.m.
- No food service in the private room after the show starts

\$3 MEMBER - \$5 GUEST

An Evening of Fun at the Panic Factory, Wednesday, January 24,

1413 King Street East (Hwy. 2), Unit 5, Courtice
6:00 pm,

Cost \$ 25 (dinner extra)
Dinner following at The Bittmore Tap & Grill
1656 Nash Road, Courtice
7:00 pm



5 Paddles Brewing Co. Brewery Tour and Tasting

1390 Hopkins Street, Unit #3, Whitby
Wednesday, February 21
5:30 to 7:00 pm,
Cost \$ 5.00

Social Committee Photo Gallery

Naughty or nice, everyone had a good time at the Christmas luncheon, thanks to the hard work of our Social Committee!



Jean Clemson, Mary Novak and Joan Pumphrey at the Christmas Market, Distillery District Toronto on a very cold day.



Friends and family are always welcome to join Social Group outings.

Interest Groups are for PROBUS members only.



Games night is serious business....

Every pictures tells a story!

Send your photos of PROBUS outings and events to Suzanne Elston for inclusion in the next newsletter.

Book Exchange

PROBUS members are invited to bring current titles that they would like to share, or to pick up a book that looks interesting. Members are not required to bring a book in order to pick one up

Please note: Unclaimed books will be donated to Clarington Public Library.



CHEQUES, PLEASE!

Payment for social events sponsored by Clarington PROBUS are payable by cheque.

Remember to bring a cheque with you if you are planning to register for an event.

LUG-A-MUG!

Please remember to bring your own coffee mug to the General Meetings. This helps cut down on clean-up time, and helps to do our part to reduce waste.