

# PROBUS CLUB OF CLARINGTON



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## Next Meeting & Speakers

Our next General Meeting is on Wednesday, March 7 2018,, 10 am, The Salvation Army Community Church, 75 Liberty Street South, Bowmanville.

Jaki McKinnon, Executive Director of Bethesda House, will address the issue of human trafficking at the March meeting.

Martha Casson will do a presentation on Seniors Alternative Housing at the April 4 meeting.

## Wearing of the Green

Irish or not, St. Patrick's is always a good excuse to wear the green. Show us your brightest at the March meeting!

## President's Message for March

As I started to write my message this month I realized that it would be my penultimate one before I end my role as President. I have been very lucky to have had the opportunity to share with you some of my thoughts each month - whether you were interested or not! I have tried to bring humour rather than address thought provoking issues, mostly because the latter seemed like a lot more work. So let me share my latest experience.

I have always bought in to the whole Valentines Day hype. Why not if it means some flowers and chocolates? I try to reciprocate but to a lesser degree feeling that a card bought from somewhere other than the Dollar store should suffice. This year it all went wrong when I could not find the "safe" hiding place where I had put the very expensive \$8 card. After hunting high and low I told Kevin not to give me his card or any gift. Surprisingly he agreed. My big mistake since guess what I found at 10pm on Valentines Day? Yup, THE card! Meanwhile, I am having to make do with a scented "plug-in" in lieu of the flowers I had refused. Does anyone else have these elusive "safe" hiding places?



Let's all enjoy the knowledge that even if our memory fails us we are likely not the only PROBUS member who suffers from this and we have each other's backs. Maybe just don't sign up for Trivia Night!

Victoria Girling  
President

## Clarington PROBUS Nominations for the Management Committee - April 4, 2018 Annual General Meeting

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### By-law No. 4 - Election of Officers

1. All members of the Management Team are to be nominated annually and approved by the membership regardless of whether being re-elected for another term or a new member being nominated to fill a vacant position.
2. A Nominating Committee consisting of the President and two Past Presidents (if available, otherwise two Club members in good standing) shall present to the Club meeting prior to the Annual General Meeting a slate of candidates for election to the Management Committee.
3. Any further nominations (with nominee's prior consent to stand) shall be conveyed to the Nominating Committee at least 14 days prior to the Annual Meeting.
4. When an election is required voting shall be by secret ballot at the Annual General Meeting

### We present the following candidates for the Management Committee- 2018-19

- President- Paul Halliday
- Vice President- Jim Bamford
- Past President- Victoria Girling
- Secretary- Laurie Allum
- Treasurer- Joan Pumphrey
- House Committee Co-Chairs- Patti Bamford & AnneMarie Halliday
- Interest Group Chair- John Muzik
- Speakers Committee- Karen Cashin
- Membership Committee- Angela Tibbles
- Social Committee Chair- Dawn Aitken
- Website Chair- Nancy Muzik
- Communication Chair- Suzanne Elston

If there are additional contenders, we will have an election for the specific positions.

**Any further nominations for a position on the Management Team must be presented to the Nominations Committee before March 21, 2018.**

### Nominating Committee

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Many thanks to the members of the Nominating Committee: Lorraine Veroba, Victoria Girling and Nancy Muzik

## Interest Groups News

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**Book Club III** is now up and running. Just to clarify, the club meets on the First Thursday of the month at the Bowmanville Library and is open to new members.

If you are interested in joining the **Lunch Meet** group, please sign up in advance. The group meets after the general meeting on the first Wednesday of the month. Paul needs to know the numbers in advance to make a reservation, and ensure everyone has a seat.

## Interest Groups

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### The Following is a list of the current Special 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 III:** 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.

**Fiber 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. **Note: group is currently closed to new members.**

**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 Monday 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.

## Upcoming Social Events

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**March 14 - Canada Blooms - \$ 105**

**March 22 - ACE Facility Tour - \$ 5**

**March 24 - Watertown Shopping Trip - \$55**

**May 27 - 30 - New York City - \$995**

**July 18 - Westben Theatre - \$36  
Lunch (before Theatre) at 12 pm - \$15**

Salads, cold cuts, home-made desserts, tea and coffee prepared by the Church Ladies of Christ Church.



Starring: Caitlin Wood, Marjorie Maltais, Adam Fisher, Clarence Frazer, Brian Finley  
Favourite Gershwin from Summertime to Plenty of Nuthin'!

**Please note: Come from Away and Hotel California are SOLD OUT!**

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

Interest Groups are for PROBUS members only.

## Stay Tuned.....

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Your Social Events Committee is busy finalizing details for the following events:

- Games Night @the Snugg
- Picton Wine Tour
- Muskoka Cruise
- Cranberries
- Quilts and Tea at the Leaksdale Manse
- Oshawa Picnic

For more information contact:

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<http://probusclarington.com/social-events>

## Cheques please!

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**Payments for PROBUS social event are payable by cheque.**

For more information about current events, check out the posters at the March PROBUS meeting and don't forget to bring your chequebook.

## Membership Dues

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If possible, please renew your membership dues at the March meeting.

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 for \$30 are payable to PROBUS Club of Clarington and can be brought to the March meeting or mailed to Joan Pumphrey, 31 Arnold Johnston St. Courtice, L1E 0C6.