

PROBUS CLUB OF CLARINGTON

www.probusclarington.com



In this Issue

- P. 2 - Speaker Bio and
Upcoming Speaker Info
- P. 2 to 4 - Interest Groups
- P. 4 & 5 - Social Committee
- P. 6 - This & That

Next Meeting and Upcoming Speakers

Our next meeting is
Wednesday, July 4 at The
Salvation Army Community
Church Hall, 75 Liberty
Street South, Bowmanville.

Our guest speaker will be
John Thistle, Audiologist
and hearing specialist.

For more information about
John's unique perspective,
and upcoming speakers for
the August and September
general meetings, please
see P. 2.

Coffee, Tea or Free?

Double your money and save
money, too.

Proceeds from the Share the
Wealth ticket sales will be used
towards covering the cost of
tea and coffee on a trial basis -
so drink up!

Your refreshments will be free -
at least until further notice!

President's Message for July

Here we are in July. It's summertime, and the living is easy.

There's something magical about summer, whether it's a beautiful sunset off the end of a dock, or the long nights outside, or the way the sun shines through the windows in the early morning.

I hope that each of you is enjoying whatever it is that makes summer special for you.

While many of our members are away, at the cottage or on trips, we still have a lot going on. In June, an astounding 43 of us trekked out to Leaskdale to the Ontario home of Lucy Maud Montgomery where we got a tour of the manse and tea and scones in the basement of the church. In July and August we have outings to the 4th Line Theatre and the Mirvish Theatre to see *Come From Away!*

I hear that our golf group is going strong, and growing, and I can report from personal experience that both our hiking and urban walking groups are out regularly. And that's not to mention the many interest groups which continue to meet (inside) during the summer. If you haven't already tried it, why not join our lunch group right after our meeting on July 4 (contact Liola Limeback for more information or to book). Or join our breakfast group on July 18 (contact Joan Pumphrey).

One of our new interest groups is wine tasting. A big shout-out to Kathleen Brear who is taking the lead as the coordinator of this group.

Tickets will soon be available for a district barbeque on September 26 at the Jubilee Pavilion in Oshawa. This is a first – a collaborative project of all eight PROBUS clubs in Durham. Hopefully the Clarington PROBUS Club will be well represented. See further information on Page 5 of this newsletter.

I hope to see you out at our July 4th meeting.

Paul Halliday

Upcoming Speakers



John Thistle will be our guest speaker at the July 4 meeting.

John has been deaf since a very early age so has first hand experience for those of us who are “hard of hearing.” He offers a solid perspective of what it is like to be deaf and a strong understanding of the challenges for those of us who live with a person who experiences a level of deafness. John is a well trained audiologist with a unique take on hearing issues and life in general. He is an executive member of the Newcastle and District Chamber of Commerce. His outgoing personality and ability to engage people of all levels of understanding- a wide ranging word- will be a treat to the audience. John and his family make Newcastle their home and is where he operates his business, Newcastle Hearing Solutions.

In August we welcome Stephanie MacEwan who founded and operates Soper Creek Wildlife Rescue, the only licensed, recognized wildlife rescue facility in Durham Region. Stephanie has spoken to a few of our neighbouring Probus groups and comes highly recommended. Tales of the wild life!

In September our speaker is Michelle Davis, from Canopy Growth, a company located in Smith Falls Ontario. Michelle will give the low down on the new cannabis laws and regulations.



Michelle will focus on medical cannabis, as well as recreational interests and the implications involved. Not to be missed!

Interest Group News

A new wine special interest group was formed in June. Kathleen Brear is the coordinator. Here is her report:

The first meeting of the #1 Probus Wine Committee was held at the Courtice Public library, chaired by John Muzik, in the great room, and it was a great room because we discussed wine!

The objective of our first gathering was a planning meeting. It was decided we would have a wine tasting evening every six to eight weeks, in one of the member’s homes, depending on schedules. The majority of households can accommodate 8 to 10 people.

Consensus was that half of the members would bring wine and the other half would bring appetizers, or cheese, thus safeguarding the people of Clarington from over-

indulged seniors (we felt people should eat dinner before arriving).

Margaret Woolsey generously offered to have the first tasting and Portugal was chosen as a theme for the wines and possibly food (its up to the “winer”).

Kathleen Brear was “voluntold” to chair the group, so she will be sending out an invite and it is up to the host how many members could be accommodated.



Other News...

During discussions at the wine club meeting, the possibility of forming two new groups came up. One idea was forming a wine making/sharing group. John Windatt has volunteered to coordinate this group. His idea is to meet twice a year and share the fruits of their labours. John will talk about this at our July meeting.

We also discussed forming a craft beer group. I will have sign up sheets available for both of these groups if anyone is interested.



Heather Griffin has come up with an Investing In The Market interest group. We already have two people signed up, so if this interests you, come see me (John Muzik) at the Special Interest Groups table in July.

The Urban Walking Group has changed their meeting times to the first and third Friday of the month.

Interest Groups

The Following is a list of the current Special Interest Groups:

Billiards: October – May. 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 (On hiatus for the summer.)

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 4 to 6 PM.

Golf: May – 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. (On hiatus until September.)

Urban Walking: Meets the third Friday of the month. Members meet at various urban locations throughout Clarington.

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.

Ukulele Group: New group, meeting dates starting in the fall.

Social Committee - Events

The July meeting will be your last chance to sign up for the **4th Line Theatre presentation of SNOW WHITE on August 16**. Tickets are \$38.00 pp



The BATA SHOW MUSEUM Tour is on Saturday September 18 at 11 am. Tickets are \$14 for the tour. Take the GO train into Toronto, and go for lunch after the tour with friends.



PORT PERRY HOUSE TOUR

PORT PERRY House Tour is on Saturday September 22 from 10 am to 4pm. Tickets are \$25 pp which will allow you to see a variety of homes and gardens in Port Perry, Prince Albert and the surrounding area. Included in the admission cost are delicious homemade baked goods and light refreshments.

REGIONAL EXTRAVAGANZA!
Connecting PROBUS Clubs in Durham
All 8 Clubs Participating!

Wednesday, September 26th, 2018
4:00pm - 9:00pm

At the Jubilee Pavilion
55 Lakeview Park Ave., Oshawa

Live Entertainment and DJ
BBQ at 5:00pm - Cash Bar

Western Theme
Wear your jeans
and cowboy hat!

Tickets at the Meeting.
Members \$27, Non-Members \$33

All PROBUS Clubs in Durham are invited to the Western Themed BBQ on Wednesday September 26 from 4 pm to 9pm at the Jubilee Pavilion in Oshawa. Tickets are \$27 for members and \$33 for guests. Live Entertainment, BBQ, and DJ. Wear your jeans and cowboy hat!

October 10, Lakeshore Travel and Tours offer a CRANBERRY CRUISE.

The tour starts in Gravenhurst for a turkey luncheon cruise, then off to Johnstons Cranberry Marsh. The tour is only \$135 pp which includes coach transportation to and from Bowmanville.

October 11, jump onboard for a trip to Lens Mills fabrics, and the creativifestival at the International Centre in Mississauga. Coach and admission- only \$69.

Friends and family are always welcome to join Social Group outings. Interest Groups are for PROBUS members only.



October 23, we are hosting an un-timed CAR RALLY. Starting at the McDonalds parking lot in Bowmanville you will follow directions touring Durham’s scenic countryside, (hopefully!) arriving at a lunch location then returning back home. This will start at 10am and last about 2 hours. Come prepared to have a whole lot of fun and discover some new places. Only \$5 per person to join the fun.



Do you like to sing? Do you play an instrument? Can you tell stories or jokes?

We are looking for entertainment at this year’s Christmas luncheon on December 5.

Please contact Dawn Aitken, dawn.aitken@hotmail.ca or any of the social committee members and let us know if you would like to be part of the festivities.

”Scent”sitive Issue

Perfumes, body sprays and men’s colognes can trigger serious allergic reactions for some of our members.

Please refrain from wearing scented products to General Meetings and ask your guests to do the same. Thank you!

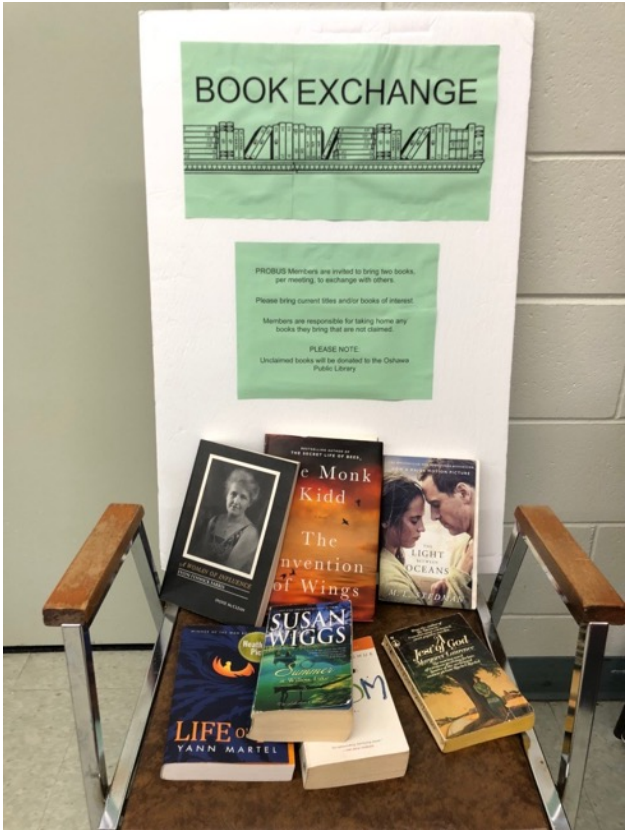
A Special Note of Thanks....

To Angela Tibbles who has been our Membership Coordinator since 2016.

Angela’s hard work and winning smile will be missed by all of us on the PROBUS Management Committee.



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.



For contact information for the PROBUS Management Committee, please visit www.probusclarington.com