

PROBUS Club of Oshawa Newsletter: July, 2019



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President's Message

As we approach Canada Day I was thinking of how little I actually know about Canada and its many inventors. It seems there was more emphasis placed on American accomplishments in my school years. I decided to do a little research and found some facts that I was not aware of:

According to the CBC:

- Paint Roller was invented around 1940 in Toronto by Norman Breakey but he died before he was able to patent it. The first patent was held by an American.
- Garbage Bag was invented by Harry Wasylyk and Larry Hansen in Winnipeg in 1950.
- Pager was invented by Alfred J. Gross, a Toronto based wireless communications pioneer in 1949. He is also credited with the walkie talkie, CB radio and cordless phone.
- Peanut Butter was created in 1884 by Canadian pharmacist Marcellus Gilmore Edson.
- Road Lines – The first road lines were painted on a stretch of highway between Ontario and Quebec in 1930, invented by Ontario Department of Transport engineer John D. Millar.
- 1st Internet Search Engine (Archie) was created by Alan Emtage at McGill University around 1988.
- IMAX was created by three Canadian filmmakers Graeme Ferguson, Roman Kroitor and Robert Kerr in 1967.
- Pacemaker was built in 1949 by Canadian engineer John Hopps based on observations of two Toronto based cardiac surgeons Wilfred Bigelow and John Callaghan.
- Pablum was invented in 1930 by three pediatricians at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, Drs. Frederick Tisdall, Theodore Drake and Alan Brown along with nutrition lab technician Ruth Herbert and chemist Harry Engel.
- 1st Electric Wheelchair was developed by Ontario born inventor George Klein in 1953.

Of course there are many inventions more famously known such as insulin and basketball and we have many reasons to be proud of this great country Canada.

Happy Canada Day Everyone



JULY SPEAKER – John Foster, International Petroleum Economist and Author

John has worked on staff of the World Bank, Inter-American Development Bank and two oil companies (BP and Petro-Canada). His work has taken him to more than thirty countries in Asia, Africa and Latin America. He has been writing and talking across Canada on petroleum geopolitics and recent conflicts. His articles have appeared in the Globe and Mail, Toronto Star, and the online magazine Open Canada (Canadian International Council) and he is the author of *Oil and World Politics*, published in September 2018.

AUGUST SPEAKER – Angelica Ganeau, Singer, Songwriter and Author

Angelica's roots lie in the Blue Danube in Romania. Her stage experience started when she was 6 years old, with music and dance studies as the main focus of her childhood days. At the age of 19 Angelica went on to win first place at a national singing competition and received instant recognition as one of the most talented rising stars in the country. Several years later, Angelica made a bold life-changing decision to make Canada her new home. Her story is about faith, hope, willpower, and liberation. It's also about giving up everything, while holding onto the fact that once you are faithful to your passion and to whom you really are - you have the strength to rise and start all over again.



Our membership remains at 299 as no new members joined us in June.

Volunteers Needed: House Committee

If you enjoy the snacks provided during the break at our monthly PROBUS Club General Meetings remember that we need volunteers to make that happen.

Right now, we need volunteers for the October meeting. If you can help out contact Maria Upton, the House Committee Chair, m.upton@sympatico.ca, or sign up on the sheet at our next meeting.



Don't forget to bring your own coffee mug or teacup to each meeting.

PROBUS Club of Oshawa Website:
www.oshawaprobust.com

PROBUS CANADA Website:
www.probus.org

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Marilyn Thaxter, Jackie Bathe and Janet Good

The social committee would like to thank members for paying for events when they sign up for them.

Please remember to bring your cheque book

UPCOMING OSHAWA PROBUS EVENTS:

***Cheques payable to PROBUS CLUB OF OSHAWA ***

- **WESTBEN CONCERT AT THE BARN**, 6698 County Road 30, Campbellford - ABBA Mia! July 17th, 2 PM.

Tickets for Westben will be available at the July 9th meeting. If you are not able to be there please contact Lorraine at l.veroba@sympatico.ca

There are no tickets for the turkey dinner but there is a list of participants.

See directions below to Westben and Dinner at Christ Church Anglican following the Concert.

Directions to Westben

WESTBEN, JULY 17, 2019 - Abba Mia
Approx. 1 ½ hour drive 6698 County Rd. #30

Take Highway 401 east to Brighton. Go north on County Rd. 30 to Campbellford. At the lights, turn left. (This is a continuation of County Rd. 30.) Westben is 3 km. further on your right, just north of the curve where RD # 30 crosses #35.

Christ Church – 154 Kent St., Campbellford for Turkey Dinner following the concert:

Turn left onto County Rd. #30.

In town, turn left on Canrobert St. N.

Next turn right onto Kent St.

See you there. Have an enjoyable drive.

Call 905-767-2450 if you have a problem.

- **ACE WIND TUNNEL at Ontario Tech University** – Thursday, July 25th, 10 AM (enter west of Simcoe Street and south on Founders Drive from Conlin Road – ACE building faces you) The cost is \$7. (**Sign up with payment at the July meeting**)
- **PICNIC** – Wednesday, August 7th, 11 AM – Hungarian Picnic Grounds [Regional Road 57 (Bowmanville Avenue) Hampton – ½ mile north of Taunton Road, west side]. The cost is \$18. This is our 4th year for a BBQ lunch and games. Bring a lawn chair. (**Sign up with payment at the July meeting**)

- **WALKING TOUR WITH ROM GUIDE** – Tuesday, August 27th, 10:30 AM. The cost is \$10. Meet at Queen’s Quay and Bathurst Street. (**Sign up with payment at the July meeting**)



SAVE THE DATE

Monday, September 16th – Ajax Downs

Wednesday, December 11th – Christmas Dinner at the Oshawa Golf Club

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Conveners – Please submit your information to the newsletter editor by the 25th of each month to be included in the following month’s Newsletter

Suggestions for a new group? Do you have an interest or hobby you would like to share with your fellow club members? Don’t hesitate to pass it along to Jackie Frank. She will try to recruit other members to create a group.

Proposed new groups:

We are trying to set up four new groups. Please feel free to sign up at the next meeting or contact Jackie Frank if you have any questions.

- **Appetizer group:** for people who love to eat appetizers and are interested in tasting new ones and sharing recipes
- **Another book club:** this would be our fourth book club. Three members have signed up, but we need more to make the group more viable and interesting.
- **Bridge for beginners:** this group already has a good number of members signed up, but it will only be set up after the bridge lessons are over. It is aimed at people who don’t play bridge very often or are just learning.
- **Day-tripper group:** this group is for people who enjoy half-day or full-day trips. Members would take turns choosing an outing and sharing rides would be promoted.

Sign-up sheets will be available at the next meeting or contact Jackie Frank if you want more information.

Card-making workshop

The date for the card-making workshop has been changed to Thursday, September 19th at 10 AM. There are still some places available for the workshop. Sign up at the next meeting.



BOOKWORMS - Bernice Burke and Judy Bell

The Bookworms will not be meeting in July or August. The next meeting will be in September.

BOOKIES BOOK CLUB – Jane Havens

The Bookies Book Club will not be meeting in July or August. Our next meeting will be Thursday, September 5th.

PROBUS BOOK CLUB - Mary Kelcey

The PROBUS Book Club will not be meeting in July or August. The next meeting will be in September.



BRAIN GAMES – Jackie Frank

The group will not be meeting in July and August.



BREAKFAST GROUP – Catherine Frost

On July 4th the group will meet at 9:30 AM at The White Apron, 10 Bond Street West, Oshawa. Anyone is welcome to join us. Please notify Jackie Frank by June 27th if you plan to attend.

BID EUCHRE - Sandra Hunt

Bid Euchre will resume in the fall. The group welcomes new members. This Group needs a new Convener.



EUCHRE GROUP #2 - Gerry Henderson

Euchre Group #2 will be taking the summer off, resuming euchre in September.

CHESS - Ed and Jo Taylor

Our Chess club meets every Tuesday evening at 6:30 PM at 51 White Cliffe Drive, Courtice. Phone number: (905) 404-2440.



CRIBBAGE – June McLaren



The cribbage group will meet on Wednesday, July 10th at 1 PM at the home of Anne- Marie Beattie, 1104 Ridgemount Boulevard (Main intersection Taunton Road/Grandview Street). The cost is \$2. Please let Anne-Marie know if you will be attending by e-mailing her at annemariebeattie@sympatico.ca or by telephone at (905) 728-6886.

GARDEN/NATURE CLUB – Jackie Frank



The guided tour of the Second Marsh has been postponed until Monday, September 23rd due to the wet conditions of the marsh.

On Monday, July 15th, the group is going to Laveanne Lavender Fields in Campbellcroft. There is no admission fee but a donation is greatly appreciated. We will be carpooling.

HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME – Kathy Brown

The next Hand and Foot Card game will be held at the home of Tina VanAlebeek on Tuesday, July 16th at 1 PM. Please let Tina know (905) 576-9385 if you plan to attend.



LUNCH GROUP - Connie Nelson

The lunch group will meet at 12 noon Tuesday, July 16th at Tin Mill Restaurant, 53 Toronto Street North, Uxbridge. If you plan to attend please indicate on the sign-up sheet on the special interest table or call Connie Nelson at (905) 576-9022 so she can book a reservation. If you find that you have signed up and subsequently are unable to attend for any reason, even if the same day as the lunch, please let Connie know so she can advise the restaurant of the amended number.



MAH JONGG - Alecia Minosora

The Group is still meeting twice a month, but is not accepting new players at this time until it is determined who will remain part of the group following the introductory learning and playing sessions.

MARATHON BRIDGE – Frank Kelcey

Marathon Bridge sounds a lot more intimidating than it actually is!

So what exactly is Marathon Bridge?



You play 15 games over eight months, starting in September. That's two games a month, usually one game at your home, and one game at your opponent's place. So, you get to meet 30 members of our PROBUS Club, in a relaxed setting. Each game consists of 20 hands of bridge, against a single opposing team. In other words, an afternoon of social bridge with another couple. The year-end banquet in May includes a few hands of bridge with rotating partners.

Our players have a wide variety of skill level, ranging from neophyte to expert, but most of us fit into the social bridge category. My partner, for instance, thinks of herself as a "kitchen bridge" player.

So, if you want to play social bridge, we're a good place to start! If you are still uncertain, call me, or talk to another of our team members. We may love taking your kings with our aces, but we don't bite!

We are accepting new members until the August meeting. No partner? We'll help you find one!

Contact Frank Kelcey (905) 723-5737



MOVIE GROUP - Mary Gibson

Movie group meets Friday mornings at Landmark Theatre. If interested, contact Mary Gibson (905) 435-2441 to find out what movie we are going to that week (new movie listings come out on Wednesday), and what time (the first showing of the day of that movie).

POKER: AFTERNOON GROUP - Vicky and Gerry Paquette



Afternoon poker is cancelled until September. Looking forward to having some new players when we resume in the fall.

POKER: EVENING GROUP - Allan Anderson

PROBUS evening poker resumes in the fall.



SCRABBLE - Judy Bryson

The Scrabble group will not be meeting in July.



THEATRE, CONCERTS, OPERA & DANCE – Mary Kelcey

The following is a small sample of the upcoming cultural events being offered in this region for July:

Location	Event	Date	Note
Memorial Park Oshawa	Concerts in the Park 7 PM	July 4 th	Professors of Funk (Motown, funk)
		July 11 th	Barbara Lynn Doran (Country)
		July 13 th	Bethel Assembly Gospel
		July 18 th	Sticks n Tones (Country)
		July 25 th	Ammoye – reggae
The Music Hall Concert Theatre Oshawa	Cancer Bats w/ Guests	July 26 th	
Music in the Park Whitby		July 4 th 6 – 10 PM	Richard Grainger, John Ward Trio & Patchwork
Canada Day Whitby		July 1 st 1 PM	
Parkwood Estate Oshawa	Yoga	July 4 th 5:30 PM & 6:30 PM	\$15 at the door
	Vintage photo session - come and explore costume clothing and bring your camera 10 AM – 1 PM	July 6 th	Will not take place if it is raining.
	Guided garden tours and tea	July 10 th , 17 th , and 24 th 11 AM to 1 PM	\$20

WINE APPRECIATION - Bernice Burke



The Wine Appreciation Group will not be meeting in July, August or September. The next meeting will be in October. Contact Bernice Burke (905) 728-2587.

VINTAGE TASTING - Donna Henderson

No information on Vintage Wine Tasting was available at the time of publication of the newsletter.



WINE AND DINE - Catherine Frost

On July 11th we will meet at The Brock House, 918 Brock Street North, at 5:45 PM. Please contact Judy O'Neil if you plan to attend. fjdoneil@sympatico.ca. We are welcoming new members to this group. Please contact Catherine Frost if you would like to join us

c.frost@sympatico.ca



URBAN POLE WALKING - Maria de Jong

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Come and join us when you can and get moving! Poles are not required, but are recommended. Walking with poles gives you more stability, helps posture, and exercises your upper body too when you walk. Just be dressed to be safe for the weather and trail conditions. We go for coffee after our walk.

All walks will take place as scheduled, weather permitting.

Mondays: July 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th, 9 AM - Meet at the east end of the parking lot, Rossland Road and Wilson Road for Harmony Creek Trail South

Friday, July 5th, 9 AM - meet at the south end of Thickson Road for Thickson Woods Trail

Friday, July 12th 9 AM – meet at dirt road parking lot, east of GM Headquarters, off Colonel Sam Drive for McLaughlin Bay Wildlife Reserve

Friday, July 19th, 9 AM – meet at Jubilee Pavilion, Lakeview Park

Friday, July 26th, 9 AM – meet at Mill Street, Storie Park for South Oshawa Creek Trail



YARN DIVAS - Barb Jones

The Yarn Divas will be taking a break over the summer. Our next meeting will be at 10 AM on September 11th, after which our meetings will revert to the first Wednesday of the month. We will meet in the third floor lounge (library) at Centennial Retirement Home on the corner of Ritson Road and Hillcroft Street. Have a great summer and happy crafting!

All PROBUS members who love to knit or crochet - or those who want to learn - are welcome!

NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY, JULY 9, 10 AM

Oshawa PROBUS Club Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 <i>Happy Canada Day!</i> 	2	3	4 9:30 AM Breakfast Club	5 9 AM Urban Pole Walking Movie Group	6
7	8 9 AM Urban Pole Walking	9	10 1 PM Cribbage	11 5:45 PM Wine and Dine	12 9 AM Urban Pole Walking Movie Group	13
14	15 9 AM Urban Pole Walking Laveanne Lavender Fields	16 12 PM lunch group 1 PM Hand and Foot Card game	17 2 PM Westben ABBA Mia!	18	19 9 AM Urban Pole Walking Movie Group	20
21	22 9 AM Urban Pole Walking	23	24	25 10 AM Ace Wind Tunnel	26 9 AM Urban Pole Walking Movie Group	27
28	29 9 AM Urban Pole Walking	30	31			