

# PROBUS Club of Oshawa Newsletter: June, 2017



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I received a letter from an old friend recently. It was a bit of a shock as I hadn't heard from him in 55 years. We were best friends, but he moved away when we were in grade school. (It must have been the neighbourhood!) He reminisced about some of the things we did as kids, and it certainly brought back a flood of memories to me. I wonder if kids still build forts? They probably do, but in computer games, not real life.

But then I reflected on how much the world had changed, and me with it. Gone is the lad who was incredulous when his uncle told him that Japanese ate raw fish, replaced by a lover of sushi. Gone is the lad who would have laughed at the thought of attending an opera. Gone is the veil of secrecy surrounding the LGBT community. Disappearing rapidly is the local factory where a lad could get a job on graduation from school. Those jobs are gone, like the hair on my head, never to return.

Childhood friends stay with you for a lifetime, even if you lose contact. Hopefully, the friends we make at PROBUS will stay with us for a lifetime as well. So, though we honour our old friends, we should take the opportunity PROBUS gives us to make new ones as well.



**REMINDER:** Last chance to order or pay for **PROBUS Clothing** is June 13. If you want a price list or order form, contact Lorraine: [l.veroba@sympatico.ca](mailto:l.veroba@sympatico.ca). Remember your cheque book!

### **SOCIAL COMMITTEE - Doug and Nancy Byers**

- ~ Capital Theatre, Port Hope:
  - June 7 - My Fair Lady (matinee)
  - July 12 - Steel Magnolias (matinee)
  - August 11 - Beauty and the Beast (matinee) - Tickets \$32.00.
- ~ Picnic - June 27 - Hungarian Picnic Grounds - \$17.00. Food, Fun and Fellowship!
- ~ Keewatin Trip - June 20. (second day trip date to be determined)



**SAVE the DATE:** Christmas DINNER-ENTERTAINMENT on Wednesday, December 13 - Oshawa Golf and Curling Club. Details to follow at a later date.

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS

The speaker for June 13th will be our very own member **Jim Craigen** who will talk to us about the brain and how brain research is constantly evolving. Recent discoveries about the brain have given powerful new understandings of how the brain operates. Such understandings have provided us with the opportunity to explore how people receive, process, retain and recall information and the factors that modulate this learning. The focus of this session will be on sharing the latest findings in brain research and how these could affect us personally as we continue to learn and process information, especially for those of us who may feel that our memories are beginning to fail us a bit.

The July 11th speaker will be **Christine Elliott**, the former deputy Progressive Conservative leader and now Ontario's first patient ombudsman.

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS



### ART GROUP - Catherine Delhaise (905-655-3483)

Our next meeting is on Thursday, June 15 at **10:00 a.m.** Ria de Jong will host the group at 801 Fernhill Blvd and the activity will be Botanical Drawing. Please Note: No meetings of the Art Group for July, August or September.



### BOOK CLUBS:

#### BOOKWORMS - Elfrida Jeppesen

A huge "Thank you!" to Elfrida for her outstanding job convening this group for the past several years. She is taking a break for the summer and Judy Bell and Bernice Burke will assume this role in September.

Jackie is hosting the group at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 27. Please let her know (905-404-9613) if you are coming. The book for discussion is "The Piano Maker" by Kurt Palka.

#### BOOKIES BOOK CLUB - Mary Medley and Barb Towey

The Bookies will be holding their last meeting before the summer break on Wednesday, June 7 at 1 pm. We will be meeting at Teresa's place, details to follow. Remember to bring your ideas for next year's reading list. New members are welcome to join us. Email Mary Medley ([medley\\_maria@yahoo.com](mailto:medley_maria@yahoo.com)) or Barb Towey ([b.towey@sympatico.ca](mailto:b.towey@sympatico.ca)) for details.

#### PROBUS BOOK CLUB - Mary Kelcey

Helene Daleman will host the next meeting on June 22nd. Carol Cadan will lead the discussion of "The Nest" by Cynthia D'Aprix Sweeney.



**BREAKFAST GROUP - Joanne Lynch**

We will meet on Thursday, June 1 at 9:30 at The Symposium restaurant at 338 Rossland Road East (NE corner of Rossland and Salem). New members are welcome.



**BID EUCHRE - Sandra Hunt**

There is no Bid Euchre for June, July and August but it will begin again on Wednesday, September 27th at 1:30 p.m. at Centennial Retirement Home.

**EUCHRE GROUP #2 - Karen Tobin**

We will meet at the Centennial Retirement Home the last Thursday of the month (June 30) at 2:00 p.m.



**GARDENING - Jackie Frank**

On Saturday, June 10, the Gardening Club is going to the Oshawa Peony Festival for 10:00 a.m. Admission is free. Lunch will follow. If you are interested, let Jackie Frank know.

On Saturday, July 8, the Club is going to the annual Bobcaygeon Garden Tour, Tea and Market. The tour consists of eight gardens where there will be music, local artists and master gardeners. Admission includes a visit to the Kawartha Settlers Village for tea and treats. There is also a market at the village with various local vendors - plants, art work, crafts, etc. The tour starts at 10:00 a.m. and costs \$15. There will be a sign-up sheet at the June Probus meeting for those interested in sharing a ride.



**PROBUS WEEKLY GOLF - Jack Cadan**

I will once again organize a weekly golf event at various courses throughout the region. The format will follow the previous year's outings. It will be Monday on week 1, then Wednesday on week 2 and Thursday on week 3 with the days then repeating throughout the summer.

I plan to start ASAP and will continue until around Thanksgiving. We will be playing 9 hole courses (i.e., Hawthorne, Lyndbrook and Deer Creek Academy) with a price range of about \$20. I am also willing to consider other courses that the group would like to play. Most of the courses are walkable. All future communication will be via email. This will be a combined activity with Oshawa and Whitby PROBUS clubs. In order to get on my list of participants, please send me an email confirmation at [jackcadan@sympatico.ca](mailto:jackcadan@sympatico.ca)



**HAND AND FOOT - Kathy Brown**

The next Hand and Foot card game will be held at Mary Gibson's house: 231 Drew Street, Oshawa, on Wednesday, June 21st at 1:00 pm. If you can attend, please call Mary at: 905-435-2441.



### **HIKING - Art Veroba**

Next 3 hikes:

Thursday, June 1 - Long Sault Conservation Area - 10 a.m.

Thursday, June 15 - Orono Conservation Area - 10 a.m.

Thursday, June 29 - Samuel Wilmot Trail, Newcastle - 10 a.m.

A new 2017 Hiking List has been made consisting of those who have informed Art that they want to continue with the hiking group. If you are not on the **new hiking list for this year**, please sign up at the Special Interest Group table at the next meeting or contact Art [i.veroba@sympatico.ca](mailto:i.veroba@sympatico.ca)

Please note that all other names have been removed from the list and will not receive new information unless they contact Art directly by email. A new schedule was sent out to the new email list on May 11. Hope to see you on the trails. (An email was sent to the 2016 list but was not deliverable.)



### **LUNCH GROUP - Connie Nelson**

The lunch group will meet at 12 noon on Tuesday, June 20 at Three Steps Up Coffee House, 605 Brock St N., Whitby.

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 email [connienelson@rogers.com](mailto:connienelson@rogers.com) so she can advise the restaurant of the amended number

The lunch group meeting for August will be at the Warkworth Long Lunch from 11:30 to 3:00 PM on Sunday, August 20th (instead of the normal Tuesday). Cost is \$15.00 which must be paid by the June Probus meeting. We will car pool. Sign up sheet will be at the special interest table at the June meeting. Menu consists of barbecued beef or toupie ham, baked beans, tri-coloured pasta, corn on the cob, Warkworth's famous pies and coffee, tea or water. Entertainment is provided by the Long Lunch Rhythm Band.



### **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).



The **PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP** is looking for a new convenor. If interested, please contact Jackie Frank.

### **POKER: AFTERNOON GROUP - Vicky and Gerry Paquette**

Orville has stepped down as Convenor of the Afternoon Probus Poker Group, having looked after the group for approximately 5 years. Thanks, Orville, for doing a great job!



The new convenors are Vicky and Gerry Paquette, 7 MacCarl Crescent, Whitby - 905-404-0818. The group will not be meeting in June, July and August. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 19 at the Centennial Retirement Home, Oshawa.

### **POKER: EVENING GROUP - Allan Anderson**

Peter Belsey will be hosting the group on June 14. There will be no evening poker in July and August.



### **THEATRE, CONCERTS, OPERA & DANCE - Maria DeJong**

Here is a small selection of cultural events offered locally during June. Contact Maria de Jong at [majong@rogers.com](mailto:majong@rogers.com) to be put on the list to receive a fuller listing.

#### **Music: Wave: Summer Music Series**

Thursday, June 8, 7:00 to 10:00 PM, Station Gallery

#### **Gallery: Michealangelo: Love and Death Exhibition on Screen**

Wednesday, June 14, 7:30 PM and Sunday June 18, 12:55 PM, Oshawa Cineplex

#### **Theatre: National Theatre Live production of Obsession with Jude Law**

Saturday, June 24, 12:30 PM, Oshawa Cineplex

#### **Variety: RMG: Strawberry Social**

Saturday, June 25, 2:00 to 4:00PM, Robert McLaughlin Gallery



### **TRAVEL - Connie Nelson**

The travel group will meet Monday, June 19, from 2-4 p.m. Donna Henderson will host the meeting at 1648 Edenwood Drive in Oshawa (905-723-9501). The topic will be Alaska.



### **- Maria DeJong URBAN POLE WALKING**

All walks will take place as scheduled, weather permitting.

**NOTE: Change in start time for scheduled walks.**

Mondays: June 5, 12, 19, 26, **9:00 AM**. Meet east end of parking lot, Rossland and Wilson Roads. Harmony Creek South trail.

Friday, June 2 - Meet at **9:00 AM** at Heydenshore pavilion parking lot for Whitby Waterfront Trail.

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Friday, June 9 - Meet **9:00 AM** at Kinsmen Park, Arena Street parking lot for Peony Gardens and Parkwood Estate.

Friday, June 16 - Meet at **9:00 AM** at Gordon Street south parking for Lakeshore Trail.

Friday, June 23 - Meet at **9:00 AM**, Jubilee Pavilion for Waterfront Trail.

No scheduled walk on Friday, June 30.

### **WINE APPRECIATION - Bernice Burke**

Geri and Jim Craigen will host the group on Tuesday, June 6 at 3 p.m.  
Contact Bernice Burke at 905-728-2587 for more information.



### **YARN DIVAS - Barb Jones**

Our knitting and crochet group will meet only once in June on Wednesday, June 14 at 9:30 at the Centennial Retirement Home. New members are always welcome!



### **INVITATION TO ALL CARD PLAYERS**

If you like to play cards but do not want to commit to a regular monthly card game, consider putting your name on a list of players who could be contacted when some of the Probus card groups are in need of extra players on occasions. These groups include one bid euchre group, two euchre groups, one hand and foot game group and two poker groups. Interested? Contact Jackie Frank at [jacqueline.frank@bell.net](mailto:jacqueline.frank@bell.net)

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Welcome to new members: Tim Cadan and Candy Shanwalt.

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