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PROBUS Club of Oshawa Newsletter: March 2022

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Our PROBUS Club of Oshawa will be having our first in person General Meeting since September 2020 on March 8th at the Oshawa & District Shrine Club.

President's Message

I hope this message finds everyone well.

In my February message I said we are hoping to meet in March. Well it is going to happen. After 24 months, we will be having our first in person General Meeting March 8th at the Oshawa & District Shrine Club. With the Government easing restrictions, and the Management Team setting strict protocols, we all agreed this is the opportune time to get back together.

Those of you who have e-mail would have received information on the established protocols and how to go about registering for our first meeting. I know there are members who do not have e-mail, so I reached out to them by phone to let them know about the meeting. If I missed you, my apologies.

I know there are members that are still uncomfortable with meeting in person currently, and we respect your decision.

I was able to attend the second Trivia games night of "Did You Know". Interesting event and there was a lot I "didn't know". There still may be space available for the March 3rd and 17th events and you can register at socialregisteroshawaprobust@gmail.com. There is no cost to register.

Catherine Rooney has arranged an interesting speaker for our March meeting. Hailey Wright from the City of Oshawa who will be speaking on what's happening around the City. I look forward to Hailey's presentation.

I received a message from Community Care Durham. They are currently recruiting new Board Members to join their Board of Directors. I have attached a recruitment Flyer for your consideration. (See end of newsletter)

Please stay safe, keep happy and I hope you can join us for our March meeting. I look forward to greeting you at the door.

*Garry Christenson
President*

One Joke: Senior Shoplifter

A cranky older woman "in her senior years" was arrested for shoplifting at a grocery store. She gave everyone a hard time, from the store manager to the security guard to the arresting officer who took her away.

She complained and criticized everything and everyone throughout the process.

When she appeared before the judge, the judge asked her what she had stolen from the store.

The lady defiantly replied, "Just a stupid can of peaches you old fool."

The judge then asked why she had done it.

She replied, "I was hungry and forgot to bring any cash to the store."

The judge asked how many peaches were in the can.

She replied in a nasty tone, "Nine! But why do you care about that?"

The judge answered patiently, "Well ma'am, because I'm going to give you nine days in jail -- one day for each peach."

As the judge was about to drop his gavel, the lady's long-suffering husband raised his hand slowly and asked if he might speak.

The judge said, "Yes sir, what do you have to add?"

The husband said meekly, "Your Honor, she also stole two cans of peas".



MARCH SPEAKER – Hailey Wright, Director of Economic Development Services, City of Oshawa

Hailey is an experienced leader with extensive knowledge in areas of management, relationship cultivation and sector development. She will be speaking to our group on recent City developments.

PROBUS CLUB OF OSHAWA'S 18TH ANNIVERSARY

The PROBUS Club of Oshawa was duly accredited and registered with PROBUS Canada in February 2004. 2022 marks our Club's 18th year. Over the years, our members have enjoyed many fun social events, developed new interests and met and formed long-lasting friendships. Here's a look back at some events from our archives.



First Executive — January 13, 2004
Helene Daleman, Al Sawtell, Gery Hoxford, Maida Wheller, Mary Kelcey, Art Veroba, Tilly Hoxford, Lorraine Veroba (President)

First Executive January, 2004
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First Pot Luck Social Event

Celebrating in 2019





One new member has joined – Susan Moss. Our membership number stands at 261. We also have a couple of people expressing interest in joining so I expect that number to increase next month.

If you have changes to your contact information, please email **Connie Nelson** at connienelson@rogers.com or call (905) 576-9022.

PROBUS Clothing:



PROBUS clothing is available online now. See Website link below to Roy's Enterprise. The site is set up for individual orders. No group orders necessary. Prices, colors and club names are on the website.

[Roy's Enterprise](#)



To follow the links within this Newsletter, don't forget to "Ctrl + Click".



The Social Committee has social activities pending, but nothing concrete for inclusion in the March newsletter. Stay Tuned!



Our last two trivia games Who Knew? with Alan Tibbles will be held on Thursday, March 3rd and on Thursday, March 17th, both on ZOOM at 2 PM. There is no cost to participate. If you want to play, register at socialregisteroshawaprobust@gmail.com. The games are fun and entertaining.

The winner of the February 3rd game was Steve Medley, followed very closely by two couples with the same score: Pat and Gerry Henderson and Mary and Frank Kelsey.

The second game on February 17th was also won by Steve Medley, followed again very closely by Pat and Gerry Henderson. Jackie and Jeff Frank came in third.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS



If your group is meeting, don't forget to send photos of your activities to be included in the newsletter. Please send your information/photos to Cindy Fleming by the 25th of each month.



Card Making Group: Mary Gibson

There has been an interest shown by a few people who want to try their hand at making homemade cards. If you are interested in this, as things open up please contact Mary at Marmojl245481@gmail.com.



BOOKIES – Jane Havens and Barbara Towey

The Bookies will meet on Tuesday, March 15th at 1 PM. Marilyn Kellar and Marilyn Peel will co-host. The group will discuss the book “The Ghost Map”.

BOOKWORMS – Maria Upton and Barb Jones

The Bookworms will meet on ZOOM on Tuesday, March 22nd at 10 AM. Bernice will lead a discussion of “Cocktail Hour Under the Tree of Forgetfulness” by Alexandra Fuller.

PROBUS BOOK CLUB - Mary Kelcey

The PROBUS book club will meet on March 24th. Nan will lead the discussion on the book “The Forgotten Daughter” by Joanna Goodman.



BRAIN GAMES – Jackie Frank

The Brain Games will be held on Wednesday, March 16th at 10 AM at the home of Judy Bryson.



LUNCH GROUP - Donna Keller and Marilyn Lannon

The ladies luncheon group met February 15th, at Melanie Pringles, a retro restaurant that has been in Whitby for over thirty years. Special thanks to all the ladies that were able to attend. Lots of stories, laughter and a few glasses of wine made getting together in person most enjoyable. Some ladies were already asking where the March venue will be. The search is on; we'll let you know soon.





(Photos courtesy of Donna Keller)



MOVIE GROUP – Mary Gibson

As of February, our in house movie theatre group has been back seeing movies at the Landmark theatre. Our first one was actually on senior's day Monday Jan.31. 😊

Normal time is Friday, first showing of the day for new movies. It may switch back to morning showings, but for now, due to limited numbers, the first showing is in the afternoon.

Our Landmark Movie group is 21 people now. Excitement is building as we watch all the new trailers for coming movies.

As of March 1st things are opening up more this will probably mean the earliest movie will be in the mornings again. We'll have that confirmed going forward.

ZOOM Movie group for Netflix is still going strong. We pick two things to watch and every second Friday night at 7 pm we get together to discuss the movies/ series/ documentaries we've all seen. March 4th is our next meeting. We will have picked at our Feb 18th ZOOM meeting. Please contact me if you would like to join the group. Mary Gibson. Marmojl245481@gmail.com



SCRABBLE – Judy Bryson

The Scrabble group will be meeting on Thursday, March 10th at 1 PM at 481 Masson Street, Oshawa. All are welcome. Please RSVP Judy (905) 576-0492.

URBAN POLE WALKING – Sharon Smith



For the winter months until further notice, we will be walking the Harmony Creek Trail on Mondays and Fridays starting at 9:30 AM. Meeting at the Rossland/Wilson plaza near the Bollock Pub (previously the Tartan). This trail is the best for winter as it is well maintained, sheltered and safe. Contact information: sharonsmith@sympatico.ca

Some photos courtesy of Sharon Smith taken along the Harmony Creek Trail.



Pileated Woodpecker



Barred Owl



Hawk



Maple Leaf Ice Formation



YARN DIVAS - Barb Jones

In February, we were pleased to donate over 20 knit and crocheted twiddle muffs to the Alzheimer's Society, Durham.

Our March ZOOM meetings will be on Wednesday, March 2nd at 10 AM and Wednesday, March 16th at 1 PM. We look forward to returning to in-person meetings in April.

Any PROBUS member who likes to knit or crochet is welcome to join us. For more information, please contact Barb

at barbandpete@rogers.com.



Arts & Culture

Follow [this link](#) to stream for free the latest offerings from Winnipeg's Prairie Theatre Group.

Places We Go

Created by Hazel Venzon & David Oro | Digital

March 1 - 31, 2022

A live-action animation about one girl's tenacious spirit

Grace lives in Manila, Philippines; her mother works in Winnipeg, Manitoba. *Places We Go* follows a day in Grace's tsinelas (slippers) in an adventurous attempt to bring her Nanay (mother) back to Manila. Vivid illustrations bring to life the separate worlds of mother &

daughter. Inspired by Venzon's cousin who was separated from her family for 10 consecutive years, *Places We Go* shines light on the tenacity of the human spirit. What began as an oral story for children is now a live-action animation for any age, near and far - told in both Tagalog and English.

Stream for FREE

***Places We Go* will be released as a serial!** One three-minute episode will appear here each day from March 1 - 9. The full film will become available on March 10.

*******Get the daily episodes delivered straight to your inbox!**

[Sign up here](#)

(It's easy! Just type in your first name and email address and you're good to go.)

Run Time: 30 minutes

Suitable for ages 4 to 94

Performed in both Tagalog & English

The play runs till March 31.

A Dance to the End of the World by Thomas Morgan

Jones | Digital

March 14 - April 10, 2022

A cautionary tale for modern times

Directed by Soheil Parsa | Illustrations by Josh Murdock

A time of plague, in a time before modern technologies. A horribly contagious and deadly disease is spreading across the country. Quarantining is taking its toll on the populous. There are those who are willing to pay any price for protection from the sickness, and those who will take advantage of that desperation for their own gain. A father is desperate to protect his young daughter but becomes entangled in a priest's plan to use the plague for profit. And the angel of death is witness to it all. But amidst the despair, the girl and the angel strike their own deal -- a deal that will set one of them free.

This gripping play will be presented as an audio drama, accompanied by a stunning digital book of illustrations for each scene by local Indigenous tattoo artist Josh Murdock. Listen to the play, explore the book of art, or enjoy them together!

Run Time: 60 minutes

Suitable for 16+

Play runs from March 14 to April 10.

TidBITS

If any of our members have a favourite recipe, puzzle, photos of previous events, ideas on how interest groups are staying connected or any other information that might be of interest to others in our Club, please submit them to our newsletter editor, Cindy Fleming, (clf0808@yahoo.ca) for inclusion in the newsletter.

The Way We Were and Look Forward to Again

Photos taken at Ice Fest, the Distillery District Tour, Parkwood and Queen's Park Tea and Tour.





Member Care

With a Club such as ours, we need your help to let us know if one of our members is experiencing a serious illness or is hospitalized. Our Club would like to let our ill members and their families know that they are in our thoughts as they deal with their illness with respect to the family's wishes for privacy.

In the same way, we need you to let us know if you become aware that a member, their spouse or close family member has passed on. Often the family does not think to contact our Club, or know who to contact under these difficult circumstances. We would like to respect the wishes of family and give our members the opportunity to express their condolences to the bereaved. Please let us know so we can respond appropriately. Email mariska578@gmail.com or oshawaprobusclub@gmail.com.

PROBUS Club of Oshawa Website:

www.oshawaprobus.com

PROBUS CANADA Website:

www.probus.org

PROBUS GLOBAL

There are over 4,000 clubs worldwide with over 350,000 members. Of those there are over 260 clubs operating in Canada. What you may not know that PROBUS also has a **Global Club.**

PROBUS GLOBAL is open to any member of a PROBUS Club and provides an on-line forum to make connections to PROBUS members around the world.

<https://probusglobal.org>

Volunteer Board of Directors

We invite local leaders to join Community Care Durham's Board of Directors. CCD is a multi-service registered charitable organization, providing a broad range of community support services for adults and their caregivers who have needs related to aging, physical and/or mental health throughout Durham Region.

Skills/Qualifications:

- **Governance, Risk & Compliance**
- **Information Technology/ Digital Skills**
- **Member & Stakeholder Engagement**
- **Financial Performance**
- **Social Responsibility**

Interested candidates, please forward your resumes to:
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