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With the first of May, we begin to think of May flowers, warmer weather, gardening, and changing our wardrobe. I think back to my elementary school years in a country school and remember a yearly trip to walk through the woods seeing trilliums blooming, cowslips along the creeks, and ferns majestically standing in the shaded areas. I often wonder what happened to some of my schoolmates through the years as I remember the fun we shared.

This month I got to visit the classical music group. What a relaxing time! John Cooper put together an interesting selection of music using "colour" as a theme. I also filled in at the euchre 1 group. As always, a great afternoon. I will share some of the things I learned at the May meeting.

We are pleased to have an evening to get to know the new members. During the evening, we will get to know each other better, learn about the social events, and hear about the special interest groups. I look forward to getting to meet the new members at this event. Thanks to the social committee for organizing outings for the membership. Have you signed up for any of the events?



SOCIAL COMMITTEE – Marilyn Thaxter and Nancy Byers

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

- **FIDDLER ON THE ROOF** at Capitol Theatre, 20 Queen St. Port Hope, Wednesday, June 6, 2pm \$33.
- **CABBAGETOWN** - Walking Tour in Toronto . Wednesday June 13 . \$10. Meet at n/e corner of Parliament and Winchester . 9:45 am
- **PICNIC** - Regional Road 57 north of Taunton Road, Hungarian Picnic Grounds, Tuesday, June 26 11:00am BBQ Lunch, Games and Music . \$18.00
- **THE 39 STEPS** at Capitol Theatre 20 Queen St. Port Hope, Thursday, July 12, 2pm. \$33.
- **WESTBEN ARTS FESTIVAL THEATRE**, 6698 County Rd. 30 Campbellford . Wednesday, July 18, 2pm \$36. "Crazy for Gershwin". Lunch at 12 noon \$15. (before the concert) at Christ Church Anglican, 154 Kent St. in Campbellford .. Tickets are still available. Contact Lorraine at: j.veroba@sympatico.ca

- ***New* Same Day BUS TRIPS :**

- **MUSIC MAN** in Stratford - May 14 . \$169.00 . A musical-comedy classic . Lunch included . Joining Ajax Probuss
- **PICTON WINE TOUR WITH PICNIC LUNCH** - June 20th . \$99.00 . Wine tasting at 2 Wineries . Picnic Lunch at local winery. Joining

- **COME FROM AWAY** tickets available for matinee Wednesday, August 22 - Orchestra level - Coach included . \$149.00 . Be dropped off and picked up at the Theatre front door. Joining Ajax Probud.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS Jackie Frank

Suggestions for new groups: If you have a particular hobby or interest and would like to share this interest with other members, contact Jackie Frank at jacqueline.frank@bell.net. She will check to see if other members would like to do the same activity and help organize a new interest group.

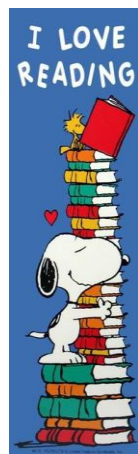


ART GROUP

DATE: Thursday May17

TIME: 1:00 PM HOST: Mary Gibson ADDRESS: 231 Drew St., Oshawa

ACTIVITY: Artists Cards Contact mariska578@gmail.com for more information.



BOOKWORMS - Bernice Burke and Judy Bell

Jacquie Muzik will host the next meeting on Tuesday, May 22 at 10 a.m. The book to be discussed is "Travel with Pomegranates" by Sue Monk.

BOOKIES BOOK CLUB - Mary Medley and Barb Towey

Our next Bookies meeting will be on Thursday, May 3rd at 1 pm. Sylvia Hughes is hosting. Marilyn Peel will lead the discussion of "Late Nights on Air" by Elizabeth Hay.

PROBUS BOOK CLUB - Mary Kelcey

Kathy Brown will host the next meeting on Thursday, May 24th . Mary Kelcey will lead the discussion of "The Postmistress" by Sarah Blake.

BREAKFAST GROUP - Joanne Lynch

The group includes singles and couples and meets the last Thursday of the month at 9:30 at local breakfast venues. New members are welcome. If interested, contact Joanne Lynch at lynchjoanne@hotmail.com



BID EUCHRE - Sandra Hunt

Bid Euchre will meet again on Wednesday, May 23rd at 1:30 p.m. at the Centennial Retirement Residence...This is not a closed group, anyone who would like to play is invited to come and join us.

EUCHRE GROUP #2 - Gerry Henderson

The next meeting of the Probud Euchre Group #2 will be at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 24th , at Centennial Retirement Residence.

CHESS - Ed and Jo Taylor

Ed and Jo Taylor would be delighted to welcome you in their home for a game or two of chess. This group would be suitable for beginners and players who need to practice and improve their skills. The conveners would like to play in the evenings, starting at 7 p.m., and keep the activity enjoyable and informal. Contact Jo Taylor if interested.



CRIBBAGE

If you are interested in playing cribbage, one of the most popular games in North America, sign up at the next Probus meeting or contact Jackie Frank at jacqueline.frank@bell.net



FAMILY HISTORY GROUP - Julia Howells

This session of the Family History Group is over. It has been very interesting and enjoyable, especially meeting so many people interested in researching their family tree. We will resume again in September.

GARDEN/NATURE CLUB

On Saturday, May 26, the group is going to the [Warkworth Lilac Festival](#). Admission is free. There will be lilacs to see and buy, a crafter's market, music on Main Street, a Victorian tea, and bird watching walks. If you would like to go and share a ride with fellow members, contact Jackie Frank or sign up at the next PROBUS meeting.

HAND AND FOOT - Kathy Brown

The next Hand and Foot card game will be held on Wednesday, May 16th at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Marilyn Thaxter . Please call Marilyn if you can attend. 905-434-1424.

HIKING – Dave Fletcher



Our hikes will be held every second Thursday during the Spring and Fall seasons. There will be no hiking in July or August. Car pool vehicles will leave at 9:30 a.m. sharp for the trails. Our listing of tentative locations for 2018 will be updated based on our reviews, requests, and trail conditions. For further information e-mail Dave Fletcher at fletchdq@gmail.com



LUNCH GROUP - Connie Nelson

The lunch group will meet at 12 noon Tuesday, May 15th at A Tavola Bistro, 10 Meadowglen Drive, 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 so she can advise the restaurant of the amended number.

MAHJONG - Come and join this group of players for a fun time. All levels and skills of players welcome. If interested, contact Jackie Frank at jacqueline.frank@bell.net or sign up at the next meeting.



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 always the third Tuesday of the month, at 1 p.m. at the Centennial Retirement Home.



POKER: EVENING GROUP - Allan Anderson

Our next game will be on Wednesday, May 9th 7 p.m. at the home of Kathy Brown, 457 Masson St. Oshawa

SCRABBLE: Judy Bryson

Play scrabble with us on Thursday, May 17th 1 p.m. at 481 Masson St. Oshawa.
RSVP: to Judy 905-576-0492.



THEATRE, CONCERTS, OPERA & DANCE May 2018 Maria DeJong

Contact mariska578@gmail.com to be put on the list to receive a more complete listing.

Gallery: Caravaggio: The Soul and the Blood
Wed May 2, 7:00 PM and Sun May 13, 12:00 PM Oshawa Cineplex

Concert: Community Concert Band of Whitby
Saturday May 12, 7:30 PM Durham Christian Homes, Whitby

Theatre: Oshawa Little Theatre Youth Group production of Bring it On
Various dates starting May 17, Oshawa Little Theatre

Theatre: National Theatre Live production of Shakespeare's Julius Caesar
Saturday May 12, 12:30 PM Oshawa Cineplex



TRAVEL - Connie Nelson

Oshawa Seniors Centre, John Street Branch, has a Travelogue on Thursday, May 10th from 2-3 p.m. The subject is birds of Ecuador. Advanced registration is strongly recommended. Registration is

available online at OSCC website using Code 475141 or contact the Seniors Centre directly.

Northview Library has Armchair Travels on Tuesday, May 22nd from 2 -3 p.m. The subject is Wales. To register, go to events.oshawalibrary.on.ca and click on the May calendar for Northview Library. You will see Armchair Travel underlined on May 22nd. Click there for the registration form. You will need your library card and password. You may also be able to register by contacting the library directly.

The Travel Group will meet May 21st from 2 to 4 p.m. Connie Nelson will host the meeting at 1447 Tremblay St. Oshawa. 905-576-9022. It will be a social time to talk about recent or upcoming trips.

WINE APPRECIATION - Bernice Burke



Bernice Burke will host our next meeting on Tuesday May 1st at 3 p.m.
Contact: Bernice Burke at 905-728-2587.

VINTAGE TASTING - Donna Henderson

(formerly WINE APPRECIATION #2)

Vintage Tastings will have their next meeting on Thursday May 10th at 3 p.m. at the home of David and Margaret Hardy 4615 Garden St. Whitby. RSVP: before May 3, 905-655-4131 or email hardydw@durham.net. Convenor: Donna Henderson.



WINE AND DINE (New Group!) - Catherine Frost

Wine and Dine will meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

In order to participate you must let the contact person know **1 week in advance** of the dinner so a place can be reserved for you. The contact person will be different each month so read the newsletter for information.

May 10 – dinner will be at Wolfgang's, 3100 Brock Street North in Whitby. 5:45 p.m. The contact person is Jacqueline Frank jacqueline.frank@bell.net Please let Jacqueline know by Wednesday, May 2nd if you are planning to come.

This will also be a planning meeting so bring your suggestions of places to meet. Any questions, please contact Catherine Frost c.frost@sympatico.ca **New members are welcome!**



URBAN POLE WALKING - Maria DeJong

All walks will take place as scheduled, weather permitting. Be appropriately dressed for weather and road conditions. Poles are optional.

Mondays: May 7, 14 and 28, 10:00 AM . Meet east end of parking lot , Rossland and Wilson Rds. Harmony Creek south trail
Friday May 4, 10:00 AM, meet Northview for North Oshawa Rail Trail
Friday May 11, 10:00 AM, meet parking area bottom of Gordon St, Whitby for Whitby Shores trail
Friday May 25, 10:00 AM meet Mill Street for Oshawa Creek trail

NOTE: No scheduled walk for Friday May 18 or Monday May 21



YARN DIVAS - Barb Jones

The Yarn Divas will have two meetings in May. Judy Bell will host the first meeting on Wednesday May 2nd, from 9.30 -11.30 and Nora Black will host the second meeting, Wednesday, May 16th, 9.30 - 11.30. Anyone who is interested in knitting or crocheting or who would like to learn is welcome. Do you love to knit and/or crochet but don't have time to come to meetings...but still want to use your skills to help in the community? We're making and collecting handmade washcloths to be given to Whitby Chiropractic and Wellness Clinic. These will be included in toiletry bags (created by staff and clients) and given to Durham homeless shelters for men and women next Christmas. All sizes, colours and patterns are welcome! Questions? Contact Barb at 905-430-0141 or barbandpete@rogers.com.



MEMBERSHIP



A warm welcome to our newest members in April: Carol Shewchuk, Deb Kilburn, and Sandy Pegg. Our current membership is 289.

New Members' Night

All new members who have joined since January 2017, should have received an invitation to a New Members' Night to be held on Tuesday, May 15th at 7 p.m.. It will be at "3 Steps Up" Coffee House, 605 Brock St. N. Whitby. **Don't forget to RSVP** by April 28th email or call: Mary Medley 905-728-4573 marystevemedley@bell.net.

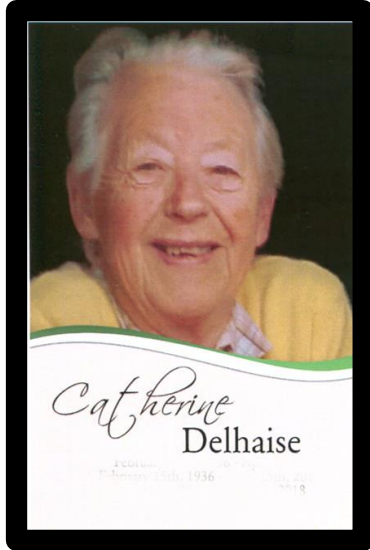


NEXT SPEAKER: Ted Barris – promoting his latest book: "Juno: Canadians at D-Day June 6, 1944.

Ted Barris is a Canadian writer, journalist, professor, and broadcaster. He writes a weekly column, "The Barris Beat", and is a regular contributor to the Globe and Mail and the National Post. His non-fiction works focus on Canada's military heritage.

PROBUS CLOTHING: with the PROBUS logo is still available. If you wish to order items, contact Lorraine at l.veroba@sympatico.ca.

Feb. 15, 1936 – April 15, 2018



Catherine was a Charter Member of the Oshawa Probud Club. She will be missed by her many friends in the club, especially the members of the Art Group. She was very active in in the Group since it began in 2004, taking on convenor duties for many years. She has received many honours and awards for both her art work and her many years of volunteer work in the community. She is survived by Jim, also a Charter Member of our club.



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Every moment of the year has its own beauty -Ralph Waldo Emerson

Brian and Elfrida Jeppesen, Editors for the month