

PROBUS Club of Oshawa Newsletter: November, 2017



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During the month of November may we all take time to remember the men and women who, through the years, have paid the ultimate sacrifice so we may all live in the lifestyles to which we have become accustomed. Also, let us remember those who have returned with physical disabilities and with emotional turmoil. If possible, we should try to attend a Remembrance

Day Service to show our support and respect.

The members of the Oshawa Probus Club continue to engage in the events and the special interest groups. I had the opportunity to take part in the Euchre 1 group evening. It is evident that these members have become well connected. Friendships have developed. If you have not joined a group, seriously think about doing so. I look forward to visiting other groups. Thanks to those who lead the groups and a special thanks to Jackie Frank and Moida Wheller who are the co-chairs of the Special Interest Groups.

Thanks also to the 11 members who attended the regional meeting in Port Perry. The Oshawa Probus Club was well represented.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS:

Tuesday, November 14 - Tinie Evans. She is chairperson of the "G-Moms of Port Perry", which is part of the Stephen Lewis Foundation's Grandmothers to Grandmothers Campaign (launched in 2006).

Tuesday, December 12 - Thanh Campbell: Book - Orphan 32. Thanh was the 32nd orphan loaded onto a Canadian Forces plane on April 12, 1975, possibly the last group of infants flown from Vietnam as part of Operation Babylift, a frantic effort to save lives before Saigon fell.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Do you have suggestions for a new special interest group?

If you have a hobby or interest that you would like to share with other PROBUS members, contact Jackie Frank. She will check if other members might be interested in the same activity and help organize a new group.

NEW! - FAMILY HISTORY GROUP - Julia Howells

The first family history group meeting will be Tuesday, November 7th from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the home of Julia Howells. Future meeting dates will be determined by the group.

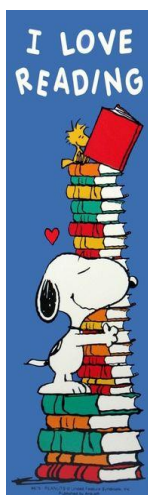
If interested, please call or email Julia of your intent to join. If more space is needed, a larger venue will be found. Please bring an iPad or tablet with you if possible, also pencil and paper. "Looking forward to our first meeting!" - Julia



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

The next meeting will be hosted by Debbie Waker (581 Brentwood Avenue) on Thursday November 16 at 1 p.m.

The activity is "folded box."



BOOKWORMS - Bernice Burke and Judy Bell

The next meeting will be hosted by Pat Howell on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 10 a.m. at Centennial Retirement Residence. Our book for discussion is The Round House by Louise Erdich.

BOOKIES BOOK CLUB - Mary Medley and Barb Towey

The next Bookies meeting will be held on Thursday, November 2 at 1 pm. The book under discussion is "The Wonder" by Emma Donoghue. Mary Medley will be hosting and Barb Towey will be the discussion leader. Please remember to bring your copy of the book so the Book Bag can be returned.

PROBUS BOOK CLUB - Mary Kelcey

Michelle McKittrick will host on Thursday, November 23. Nan McKenzie will lead the discussion of The Women in the Castle by Jessica Shattuck.

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 on Wednesday, November 25 at 1:30 p.m. at Centennial Retirement Residence.



EUCHRE GROUP #2

The next get-together is on Thursday, November 23 at Centennial Retirement Residence at 2:00 p.m. Please remember to bring \$2 and a small mug and wear your Probus name tag. New members are welcome.



CHESS

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 practise and improve their skills. The convenors would like to play in the evenings, starting at 7 p.m., and keep the activity enjoyable and informal.

Contact Jo Taylor if interested.

HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME - Kathy Brown

The next Hand and Foot Card group will be held on the 4th Wednesday of November instead of the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Mary Gibson will be hosting Hand and Foot on Wednesday, November 22nd at 1:00 p.m. If you are able to attend, please call Mary at: 905-435-2441.



LUNCH GROUP - Connie Nelson

The lunch group will meet at 12 noon on Tuesday, November 21, at The Lake Grill, 1628 Brock St. S., 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.



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

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 21 at the Centennial Retirement Residence, Oshawa.



POKER: EVENING GROUP - Allan Anderson

We will be playing at Lloyd Murray's house on November 8. Please note that, because the Probus Christmas dinner is scheduled for Wednesday, December 13, Probus evening poker in December will be on Thursday, December 14 (instead of Dec. 13) at Gerry and Vicky Paquette's home in Whitby.

SCRABBLE

Interested in playing scrabble? We are trying to get a group going. So if you love word games, sign up for scrabble at the next Probus meeting or contact Jackie Frank.



THEATRE, CONCERTS, OPERA & DANCE - Maria DeJong

Sampling of Events offered locally during November 2017. For a more complete listing, get your name on the email list for the TCOD Special Interest Group by contacting majong@rogers.com (continued on page 4)

Theatre: National Theatre - Live performance of **Present Laughter** with Kevin Kline
Thursday, November 2, 7:00 PM ,Oshawa Cineplex

Theatre: Oshawa Little Theatre production of **Anne of Green Gables**
Various dates starting November 16, Oshawa Little Theatre

Ballet: Bolshoi Ballet production of **Taming of the Shrew**
Sunday, November 19, 12:55 PM Oshawa Cineplex and Landmark Whitby

Opera: Oshawa Opera presents **La Voix Perdue**
Friday, November 24, 7:30 PM Kingsview United Church, Oshawa

Concert: Durham Youth Orchestra Fall Concert
Saturday, November 25, 7:30 PM , Hebron Church , Whitby



TRAVEL - Connie Nelson

The travel group will meet at the Northview Public Library, Nonquon Room, at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, November 21st instead of the usual Monday.

The Armchair Travel subject is New York City and is for one hour ending at 3 p.m. To register, go to events.oshawalibrary.on.ca and click on the November

calendar. You will see Armchair Travel underlined on November 21st. Click there for the registration form. You will need your library card and password. Any questions or for registration assistance, please call Connie at 905-576-9022.

WEEKDAY DINNER

This group is open to anyone wishing to go out for dinner from time to time in various restaurants around the region. There will be a sign-up sheet at the next PROBUS meeting and we will see if there is enough interest to organize an outing.

WINE APPRECIATION - Bernice Burke

Reg and Marlene Gutsale will host our next meeting on Tuesday, November 7.

Contact Bernice Burke, 905-728-2587, for additional information.



WINE APPRECIATION #2

This time we have a brewery tour!

[Thursday, November 16, 2 p.m.](#) (** note time **) - Tour and Tasting at "The Old Flame Brewery" [135 Perry Street, Port Perry](#). The tour will be 40 minutes, followed by three lager or ale tastings for \$5.35. For additional drinks, their beers vary from \$5.10-5.65. After our tour and tasting, you are invited to have dinner at The Pickles & Olives Bistro, 110 Water Street, Port Perry, with our group.

Please confirm with Donna Henderson (905-723-9501) before November 10 so that tour and restaurant numbers can be confirmed. Newcomers are welcome.



URBAN POLE WALKING **- Maria DeJong**

All walks will take place as scheduled, weather permitting.

Mondays: November 6, 13, 20 and 27, 10:00 AM . Meet east end of parking lot, Rossland and Wilson Rds for Harmony Creek south trail

Friday November 3, 10:00 AM , meet bottom of Gordon Street, Whitby for Waterfront trail

Friday November 10, 10:00 AM, meet Jubilee Pavilion for Lakeview Park

Friday November 17, 10:00 AM , meet Mill Street for Oshawa Creek Trail

Friday November 24, 10:00 AM, dirt road east of GM Headquarters for Darlington

YARN DIVAS - Barb Jones

There will be two meetings in November: Wednesday, November 1 and Wednesday, November 8. Both meetings will begin at 10 a.m. and be held at the Centennial Retirement Residence. All PROBUS members who love to knit and/or crochet – or who want to learn – are welcome.



Membership

Thank you to the 244 members (as of October 21) who have paid their 2017-18 membership dues. Membership dues are \$30 per member. If you haven't paid, please mail me a cheque or bring it to the November meeting. If you are not renewing your membership, please let me know by calling (905-728-4573) or email (medley_maria@yahoo.com).

Also, please send me any changes to your contact information for the updated Membership List which will be sent out in December.

Mail your cheque to:

Mary Medley
114 Elizabeth Street
Oshawa, Ontario L1J 8L9.

NOVEMBER 30 IS THE DEADLINE FOR RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP.

We welcome two new members to PROBUS Oshawa: Ian and Nancy Golding.

Please remember:

"The Membership List, in whole or in part, is not to be used for commercial or other purposes, or provided to any other party without the prior written permission of the Membership Chairperson or the PROBUS Club of Oshawa."

SOCIAL COMMITTEE - Nancy Byers and Marilyn Thaxter

The social committee would like to remind members that they should pay for the event when they sign up. This will guarantee a spot in the event. We would like to thank members in advance for following this practice.

1. Distillery District Christmas Market - Wednesday **November 29th**. Sign up and paid by the November 14th meeting. (Many members are taking the GO and then meeting at Balzac Coffee in the Distillery District.)

2. Capital Theatre Port Hope. Friday, December 1 at 8 p.m. This is the Naughty Version of Robin Hood. Sold out! Tickets should be available at the November meeting.



3. Christmas dinner and entertainment at the Oshawa Golf and Curling Club. Wednesday, December 13. Cost is \$55.00. Sign up and pay at the November meeting.

4. Bowling followed by dinner at McCools. November 16 - details at the meeting.

5. John McDermott concert on Sunday, December 17 at 2 p.m. at the Regent theatre. Cost is \$45.00 or \$54.00.

6. Million Dollar Quartet @ Panasonic Theatre - Sunday, January 7, 2018.

7. Path Walking Tour - Toronto - Monday, January 15 and Friday, January 19. Details at the November meeting.

8. Trivia Night - Wednesday, January 24.

9. Axe Throwing in Pickering - Wednesday, February 7 at 12 noon.

Other events are being investigated for the fall/winter so stay tuned for details!

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