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Keeping in Touch -----

"PROBUS Spring MIXER"

Mark this date on your calendar . . . Wednesday, May 17th, 2006.

The Probud Club of Colborne invites you, along with all of the other clubs* in the Northumberland area, to "The Probud Spring MIXER" at the Keeler Centre at 80 Division Street in Colborne on Wednesday, May 17th 2006.

Registration, coffee, entertainment, socializing and book signing gets under way at 9:00 am. The "Keynote" speaker will be Steve Paikin, broadcaster, author, and journalist. Host of two programs on TVOntario, the largest educational television network in the world. He is co-host of Studio 2, a nightly current affairs program in its 12th season & Diplomatic Immunity, a weekly program specializing in foreign affairs. Steve's newest book is "PUBLIC TRIUMPH PRIVATE TRAGEDY" The double life of John P. Robarts.

There will be special entertainment, door prizes, a buffet lunch, cash bar & much more. You'll have the opportunity to purchase, and have Steve sign, his books. There will also be items and merchandise showing the Probud logo on display and available for sale.

Tickets are \$20.00 (all inclusive) and may be purchased until April 30th from Joan Musselman (905-355-2776).

"Come and have an enjoyable morning the Probud way!"

- 8 clubs with over 1,100 members

There has been a great deal of interest shown in our Spring Mixer; quite a large crowd is expected so do get your tickets right away.

For the March 1st, 2006 meeting Sheila Burns was our guest speaker. The founder and proprietor (though definitely not in charge) of the Prim Rose Donkey Sanctuary in Roseneath Sheila rehabilitates unwanted, abused and neglected donkeys that she has rescued. Currently the sanctuary is home to 16 donkeys, 3 sheep, 2 pot bellied pigs, a million cats, Just-in-credible the dog and Sheila their maid. Her mission is obviously a passion with Sheila which her discourse affirmed in a direct and jocosé fashion that both informed and entertained; eg. what else would you call a donkey but "Donkey-ote"! (Don Quixote) except maybe LucyMay, DaisyJune and the Roses, Prim, Charlotte, Margaret, Pamela and Patricia...

Visitors to the sanctuary are always welcome (as are donations) but Sheila asks that you please call first...905-352-2772. Delightful.

Introduced by Doreen, Sheila was thanked by Thelma Ouelette and presented with a token of appreciation on behalf of the Club.

In a continuation of the previous week's program re adages and sayings, Shirley Ross explained the "Baby and the Bathtub" theory and Mary Lee the source of the "Cloud 9" expression.

Diane G. spoke of Red Hats and Muriel H. read the warning about micro-waves and plastic; they don't go together.

Jody Townsend, Community Care coordinator for Colborne made a plea for benevolent drivers. Any help you can give would be much appreciated.

Pres. Cathy presented Thelma with her official name badge, so now, Thelma is official and no longer a "guest". Welcome, Thelma! Two welcome guests were Fern Dobson and Barbara Reid.

Guest speaker for the March 15th, 2006 meeting was Jim Benham. You could, indeed, have "heard a pin drop" so intent were the Probus members while they listened to Jim as he took them step by precarious step through the many challenges that had to be overcome in the rescuing of the only authentic Halifax Bomber (of all the 4000 constructed) left in the world.

Jim drew a distinctive word picture of the plane's recovery from its 50 year entombment in Norway's largest fresh water lake, Lake Mjosa; it's perilous transport across the North Atlantic and on to its rehabilitative home in CFB Trenton. Now 65% restored, primarily by "the Magicians", volunteers such as Jim, it remains as a "living memorial" to our past. If you haven't been to visit NA377...do so...

Cicely, in lieu of Doug G., reported on the exploits of the bowlers of March 8th: "We're improving" remarked Cicely, "everyone broke 100." However, how about these virtuosi! Diane D. tallied 417; Doris N., 423; Doug G., 431; Muriel T., 438; Shirley D., 444; Joan, 446; Cicely, 495; Eric, 520; Ken Y., 531. Fast learners.

Bowling Tournament

Monday April 10th, 2006, in Lakefield, associated with the Peterborough District Probus, \$25.00 for 3 games, shoes, prizes and lunch. Five gamesters have signed up, but we need one more. Contact Doug or Cathy if interested.

Fashion Show, April 23rd, 2006

Fashion Show beginning at 2:00 p.m. at the Keeler Centre. Proceeds to Lakeshore Hospice. Styles from the Clan Shoppe in Brighton. Local models

<u>Upcoming Speakers</u>		
April 5 th , 2006	Richard Honey	Bird Flu
April 19 th , 2006	Mary Lee	Oriana Choir (Toronto)
	and, as April 19 th is the 3 rd Anniversary of our club, light refreshments will be served in a celebratory manner.	
May 3, 2006	Shelly Wickabrod	Fashion Design
May 17, 2006	Spring Mixer, - Steve Paiken	(see above)

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June 7, 2006	Cheryl Richeson	Teaching the Blind
June 21, 2006	Gayle Gromaz-Brown	Travels through Life
July, 2006	Colborne Probus Picnic	
August, 2006	to be determined	
September 6, 2006	Wayne Herrick	Min of the Environment, -, Dioxins in the Trent R.

In our previous newsletter we asked our members to let us know if they were not receiving mail. I'm not sure how they could do that! What we meant to say was; if you know of anyone who is not receiving the newsletter please let us know.

Cheers,

Nancy