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### THE PRESIDENT'S PERCH

Spring/summer has finally arrived and we are emerging from our cocoons, thank goodness! We had a very informative meeting with guest speaker Amy Collins, a genuinely lovely young Lady. Pauline Carrick, from Port Hope Probud, visited to pick up a cheque for Spring Fling, and stayed to enjoy our speaker and lunch. Our anniversary luncheon was well attended, with over forty members. The food was delicious with carrot cake topping off the meal. Two of our new members Jillian Seggie and Loretta Mitchell, shared short stories about their first job. We enjoyed getting to know thme better. At the August meeting we will be responsible for making our own coffee. The details have yet to be decided, but two people will be responsible per month. This will not be a hardship for anyone, we are sure.

For all you new members I would like to introduce you to our past presidents of Porbus, all of whom are still with the club with the exception of Ken Bushell, who is now living in England. The first president was Paul Ross, followed by Clare Musselman, then Cathy Galt, then Ken Bushell, and now Eileen Milley. Our five years have gone by quickly and we have had changes, but, I feel, all for the betterment of the club. I have had some response to our June 18<sup>th</sup> silent auction. Please continue to call in your item description to me. It should be a fun time for all. See you in May. Regards, **Eileen Milley**, Pres.

### Speaker's Corner

May 7<sup>th</sup> – Eric Wright is a local author living at Salem, ON. His latest book entitled “The Lightning File” centers around the theme of ‘terrorism in Northumberland County’

May 21<sup>st</sup> – Mary Lee, our own Probud Mary Lee, speaking on water levels in the great lakes.

### THE PROBUS CLUB OF COLBORNE MEETING SCHEDULE

May 7	Eric Wright	Author
May 21	Mary Lee	water levels in the Great Lakes
June 4	Steven Lloyd	Wooden decoys – bring any old ones you have
June 18	No speaker.	This is the silent auction. Don't forget to call Eileen.
July 17	Picnic	

### CLUB EVENTS (Watch the notice board!!!!!!)

May 28<sup>th</sup> – The Port Hope Probud Club is hosting the fourth annual “Spring Fling”, a morning filled with excitement and entertainment from 9:00a.m. to 1:00p.m. The Keynote speaker is Marina Nemat, author of, “Prisoner of Tehran”. There will be door prizes, musical entertain-

ment, a delicious lunch and more. This event will be held at the Jack Burger Sports Complex in Port Hope. Tickets are \$25.

**Probus Picnic** – Please note **Date change. July 17<sup>th</sup>**, 9am until after lunch. McKinney’s Farm. More information to follow.

**September 24<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>** – National Probus event called **Rendezvous 2008**, to be held in Saint John, NB. Information can be found on the sheet posted on the bulletin Board. You can download the Rendezvous 2008 brochure and Registration form from the Probus website: [www.probus.org/Canada.htm](http://www.probus.org/Canada.htm)

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Friday April 25<sup>th</sup>** – Soup and dessert lunches at Salem United Church 11:30 1:00. Cost \$5.

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### **BOOK CLUB REPORTS**

Our April gathering was cancelled. Gayle Jones is hosting May 15<sup>th</sup>. She has chosen ‘A Thousand Splendid Suns’ by Khaled Hosseini. Colborne Library is bringing in extra copies for our members. This novel about Afghanistan is a follow-up to his novel, ‘The Kite Runner’ Note: this book choice is a change. Ken Bushell is participating in absentia! Again, **NEW MEMBERS ARE WELCOME.**

### **CHESS, ANYONE?**

If you are a chess player (past or present, good or bad) then you may want to get together with other Probus members for some fun, informal chess. Lessons, tournaments, and forming a Northumberland Chess Club may be future possibilities but for now friendly chess, probably in the Port Hope/Cobourg area, will be the focus.

Please contact Dave Broughton, 905-885-1870, [david.broughton@sympatico.ca](mailto:david.broughton@sympatico.ca) if you are interested.

### **THE LAST WORD**

We had two very interesting speakers this month. Our April 2<sup>nd</sup> speaker was Stuart Grainger, the Headmaster of Trinity College School in Port Hope. He was a very dynamic speaker with many interesting ideas on education and young people today.

Our April 16<sup>th</sup> speaker was Amy Collins, a former Queen’s University student and her mother, Holly. Amy has traveled to Kenya, near the border of Uganda, to participate in the Matebabu Project as a volunteer. She gave us interesting information about the area: 1 in 6 have HIV, or approximately 2.2 million people; 65% of the people live on \$1 a day. This project involved deworming children and distributing malaria nets. Paul Ross thanked her for coming.

It was good to hear that Clare Musselman is doing very well since his by-pass surgery, and is walking daily. Also we learned that Karen Moore is having chemo and has good days and bad. We wish her good health. Doug and Eileen entertained us with jokes and Jillian told about her first job, as a 17-year-old at the stock exchange in Sydney, Australia. Clara O’Brien won the Name The Baby contest and was presented with a gift. The luncheon was great and I learned through Thelma that ‘Olives are good for sex’. See you in May. **Editor: Judi Eakins**