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Newsletter - *September 2007*

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THE PRESIDENT'S PERCH

A sincere thank you to past executive and management committee, they did an excellent job. Our new team for 2007/2008 is now in place and will do the best job possible. The McArthur's have slated a card night on November 14 for all to enjoy. Also remember that on November 21st. we are hosting a mini antique road show with David Simmons, two (2) items per household for David's expert appraisal would be acceptable.

Our car rally was very successful; all participants "thankfully" arrived at designated finish line for lunch at Dougal's. Bill, Mary Jane, David and Gayle did a great job of finding a scenic tour through Northumberland Hills, had a list of very interesting questions, and a good time was had by all. The results of questionnaire will be given at our October 3 meeting. Hope to see you all there.

Speaker's Corner

October 3: Our speaker will be Paul Shaughnessy from Crime Stoppers. Paul will tell us how "Crime Stoppers" works to obtain information from anonymous sources.

October 17: Our speaker will be Ted Rafaf, Historian, Ted will tell us a fascinating tale about the railway that use to run across Rice Lake and what happened to it.

Members, please come out to hear these speakers, I am sure we shall all be "the wiser" after their talks.

Executive for 2007/2008

President: Eileen Milley

Vice President: Doug Galt,

Secretary: Diane Dycke

Treasurer: Bill Doherty

Management Committee Members:

Speaker Chair: Gayle Jones/Doug Galt

Events Chair: Carol and Gord McArthur

50/50 draw: Mary Jane Doherty

Well Wisher: Barbara Reid

Equipment Set-up: Adrian Dubois

Newsletter: Judi Eakins –

Current Events: Joan Musselman –

Greeter: Joyce Gamble –

Historian: Eric Milley –

Please note, Joan Musselman is now our current events person, please call or tell her about any upcoming event you wish to make others aware of before the meeting or during coffee break, other wise you will have missed your opportunity.

Pres. Eileen

THE PROBUS CLUB OF COLBORNE MEETING SCHEDULE

October 3	Paul Shaughnessy	Crime Stoppers
October 17	Ted Rafaf	Railway Across Rice Lake
November 7	Erik Norenus	Aviation History
November 21	David Simmons	Waddington's Antiques
December 12	Christmas Party	
January 2	Janice Buck	Seniors Access Info
January 16	Katherine Barber	Word Lady, Editor in Chief, Canadian Oxford Dictionary
February 6	Colin Caldwell	Cobourg Area History
February 20	Gordon Sherwin	War Experiences
March 5		
March 19		
April 2	Stuart Grainger	Head Master, Trinity College
April 16	Amy Collins	African Discovery

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

Nov 14 Card Night mark your calendars – more info to follow

COMMUNITY EVENTS

-2nd and 4th Wednesday mornings at the Drop In Centre, rug hooking, needle work, quilting, beading or whatever hand work you do come to work with others – donation only –see Thelma

-every Wednesday afternoon 1:30pm – Gentle Fitness with June Cransten at the Legion - \$2/- Ferne

Oct 2 - Harvest Lunch, VBJ, 11:30, Ernie Stoneman entertaining, \$10

Oct 3 - Eden lunch in Dundonald – see Dorothy - Anglican supper – see Carol

Oct 3 - 12 noon start at the north end of Victoria Square for the 1km walk for a World Guinness Record – see Carol

Oct 6,7,8 - Dry Stone Wall Festival – Garden Hill www.dswac.ca

Oct 10 Provincial Election GET OUT AND VOTE!!!!

Oct 11 11:30-1pm - Big Sisters and Big Brothers ANNUAL HARVEST STEW OFF at the Legion (in support of the Northumberland United Way)

BOOK CLUB REPORTS

The club meets the 3rd Thursday evening of each month. For September we read Shirley Desroches suggestion, “The Innocent Man” by John Grisham. It is a must read to realize how easy it is to get caught in the system. Our next book is Vincent Lam’s “Bloodletting and Miraculous Cures”, last years Scotiabank GILLER PRIZE Winner. It is organized by Carol McArthur for our October meeting.

BOWLING CLUB REPORTS...we will report on the new schedule next month... *Cecil & Diane*

CLASSICAL MUSIC CLUB REPORTS

WE CARE - Please notify Barbara Reid at 905 355 1823 (you may leave a message)

SEPTEMBER IN REVIEW:

- 9/5 - Pres Eileen began the meeting with the introduction of Harold Harnden's guest Al Mackie.
- Gayle introduced speaker Brian Read of Horizon Plastics, a multi nozzle structural foam manufacturer in Cobourg. Brian, a native of Cobourg, graduated as an Engineer from RMC in Kingston and returned to Cobourg to work at Horizon, a company started by Clay Eliot and now led by Brian. He answered many questions about the technical differences in plastic and how some can be recycled. Brian explained the computerized modeling processes used to design his line of products including fencing and containers that are shipped to customers around the world.
 - Doug thanked Brian who drew Pauline's winning \$\$\$ ticket and Cecil's ticket won the plastic composter donated by Horizon Plastics
 - Pres Eileen reported that she sent a letter to Vi on the passing of founding member Ernie Morrison; the Club sent a card of condolence and made a charitable donation in his memory.
 - Clare then led confirmation of the new Executive: President Eileen Milley, Vice President Doug Galt, Secretary Diane Dycke, and Treasurer Bill Doherty.
 - A card from Judy Bigwood noted her wins at Buckhorn and her thanks to Adrian who shared a painting that inspired her creative juices to do a relief carving
 - Bill announced the Car Rally was set to go with 13 cars
 - Bill reminded members that DUES ARE DUE
 - Eileen advised everyone that Jean was still in hospital and suggested we send her our get well wishes
 - Doreen invited everyone to check out www.willsride.ca or send a donation for MS to the MS Society, Kingston Chapter, 1080 Gardiners Rd, Unit 3, K7P 1R7
 - Al McKinney reminded everyone to attend the Open House at the St Lawrence Cement Plant
 - Clare and Joan then invited everyone to stay for their 50th Anniversary cake & coffee & punch. *It was a treat! Congrats Clare and Joan!*

9/19 - Pres Eileen welcomed members and visitor Al Mackie and introduced our speaker Dave Hoskins of Elections Ontario. Dave made a presentation to explain the Referendum Ontario 2007 when we will vote Oct 10 for our present voting system of First Past the Post (one vote electing a member for 107 ridings and therefore 107 sitting in the Legislature) or a new system of Mixed Member Proportional (one vote electing a member for 90 ridings plus a vote for a party that will then select a representative from 39 list members and therefore 129 sitting in the Legislature) Many questions and comments were presented.

- Dave drew Berk's winning ticket
- Paul installed the new Executive and on behalf of all members expressed appreciation of their willingness to serve
- Bill submitted his year end Financial Report and reminded members that DUES ARE DUE.
- Pres Eileen asked the members to consider the position of Probus District Director to replace Tim Hasteman who has had to resign due to extraordinary complications from an extreme dog bite.
- Pres Eileen has heard from Past Pres Ken who is settling in to life in Buckton and will share his email address, caseybeesmb@google.com. Ken plans to drop in when he visits his family in Cobourg.

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