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Summer Activities



I sincerely hope that everyone is enjoying a great summer. Contrary to last year's wet and cool un-summer of 2004, this year we certainly have beautiful weather to take in all those nice outdoor summer activities and events. The upcoming Probust BBQ at the Roseneath fair grounds on

Thursday, August 11th, will also provide us with another great day of fellowship, entertainment and good food, with over 300 members attending from the 7 Probust clubs in the Northumberland Probust Council.

The first meeting of the Northshore Probust Club was held August 6th, 2003, and we have chosen to hold our 2nd

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No Waiting List

There is no waiting list, at the moment, for persons wishing to become members of the Probust Northshore in Cobourg. If you know of anyone interested in joining invite them as a guest. Then, if they like what they see, ask them to complete a registration form and submit it with the fees. During the summer we meet on July 20 and August 17 and thereafter on the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Lions Centre on Elgin Street East in Cobourg. Refreshments at 0930 and the meeting begins at 1000. For more information contact Dorla Hope, 905-372-3285 or visit www.probusnorthumberland.com.

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June Haynes & Bruce Collins



Congratulations on your forthcoming marriage

August 13, 2005

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anniversary celebrations this year at our September 7th meeting, to close off the last meeting before club elections. Mac Dallman and Chuck Kennedy have booked some great speakers with interesting topics for us for the next few upcoming meetings. There are also lots of club trips, tours, theatre, activities and events to look forward to. You can

see a summary of these and much more in our newsletter or on the web site for all of the Northumberland Probus Clubs at: www.probusnorthumberland.com and clicking on Events.

Patrick (Paddy) McCoy
President

Bulletin Board

Club Meeting Dates

Please remember that our club has only one meeting scheduled for the months of July and August. They are on the third Wednesday of the month, that is July 20th and August 17th. Beginning September 7th, we will be resuming our regular meetings twice per month, on the first and third Wednesday of each month.

Northshore Club Elections

Will be held at our 2nd meeting in September. Please submit your completed Nomination forms and be part of the election process on Sept. 21st to vote for the candidates of your choice to be the next club executive.

Last Notice For Membership Dues

Membership dues are payable August 1st for members who wish to continue their membership in the club. Cheques are to be made payable to: Probus Club of Northshore and dated August 1st, 2005. Dues are \$30.00 for renewing members and \$30.00 + 20.00 Initiation Fees for new members. Cheques should be given to Dorla Hope before August 1st at the door when you check in to the meeting, or you can mail it to:
Membership Committee,
Probus Club of Northshore,
P.O. Box 152,
Cobourg, On. K9A 4K5

There's one thing certain about flattery — it's not done with mirrors.

— Caroline Clark

Not for the Faint of Heart

Writing seems hardly more than the artsy pastime of wastrel diletantes that punctuates with purpose a life more usually spent contemplating the bottoms of empty glasses or the weighty ponderings, set down in hefty tomes by the hoary habitués of the ivory towers of academe. O.K., you get the point! (Pardon the pretentious diction.) Writing hardly seems to be a real job with daily grind of regular hours, a boss on your back, the impatient clock ticking relentlessly in your ears. But Linda Hutshell-Manning's talk on her life as an author contradicts this image, revealing the journeyman side of creativity.

Now Linda is a seasoned, committed author whose published work ranges from poetry to drama, with her best known efforts being a series of children's novels. These stories centre on the adventures of Jason and his friends who with the aid of a magical horn, and a mysterious mist can time travel to exotic locales where they become part of turbulent historical events as these actually unfold. Yet even this recognition as an author hardly means that the actual process of writing becomes any easier.

For Linda, "creativity is spontaneous", its stimulus coming from those things around her. "It is handy to start in your own home." For example Cobourg's twinning with Coburg, Germany inspired a series of adventures for her children in their home town's namesake.



Linda Hutshell-Manning

While her characters are not replicas of living people, the effort required to craft their persona calls for such a degree of intimacy that she confesses, "They have become so real to me...another set of my children". One day when her husband came home he found her crying. She was grieving for a character that had to die to satisfy the dictates of the plot.

This kind of intensity comes at a price: discipline. "A good writer must love revising." Before a book attains its final form it will undergo "12 to 13 rewrites" requiring months of effort, yielding to years of time. She is constantly reading her book aloud to get a sense of its flow and pace. She even had to abandon her "wandering" approach to writing, to satisfy an editor's demand for a plot outline before a word hit the page, her claims of past success and pleas of imitating "W.O. Mitchell as a writing model" going unheeded. She has even come to wonder about, "Her talent for writing fiction (and) think of being sensible."

Yet that too would not be an easy task. The poet Federico Garcia Lorca wrote that, "Imagination hovers over reason the way fragrance hovers over a flower, wafted on the breeze...transforms things, giving them their purest meaning, as it defines relationships no one had suspected." Having once surrendered to its temptations, how can anyone not indulge the need to share it with others?

Submitted by: Julius Varga

Up-Coming Tours



SIGN UP FOR:

Saturday, August 6 Blue Jays vs New York Yankees
Game time 4 pm. Sign up and pay on July 20
Cheques made out to Goliger's Travel \$80.00

Saturday, July 30, 2:00 pm
Friday, August 5, 8:00 pm
Wednesday, August 10, 8:00 pm } Summer Production, 'Dames at Sea'
Victoria Hall. Group rate \$20.00
See sign up table.

Tuesday, September 20 Prince Edward County Tour \$55.00
Sign up sheet for 'Waiting List'
Cheques to 'Northshore Probus Club; PEC Tour'

Wednesday, November 23 Shaw Festival 'Bus Stop'
Lunch at the Oban Inn \$105.00
Sign up sheet. More info to follow.

Please remember to bring your calendar and cheque book with you to be sure your 'space' is reserved.

We would like ideas for trips you would be interested in having us plan.

**June Haynes
Coordinator: Trips, Tours and Theatre**

Take a Break

A woman walked into the kitchen to find her husband stalking around with a fly swatter.

What are you doing?" She asked.
"Hunting Flies" He responded.
"Oh. Killing any?" She asked.
"Yep, 3 males, 2 Females," he replied.
Intrigued, she asked. "How can you tell them apart?"
He responded, "3 were on a beer can, 2 were on the phone."

Speaker's Corner

- July 20 Mike Vilneff : The Horizon Plastics fire and what was learned
- August 17 Roy Bangs: The Northumberland Games
- September 7 Our 2nd Anniversary Celebration
- September 21 Paddy Kamen: Would you like a Happier Brain?
- October 5 Kelsey Prince: Travels to the Arctic and Antarctic



An umbrella: A shelter for one and a showerbath for two.

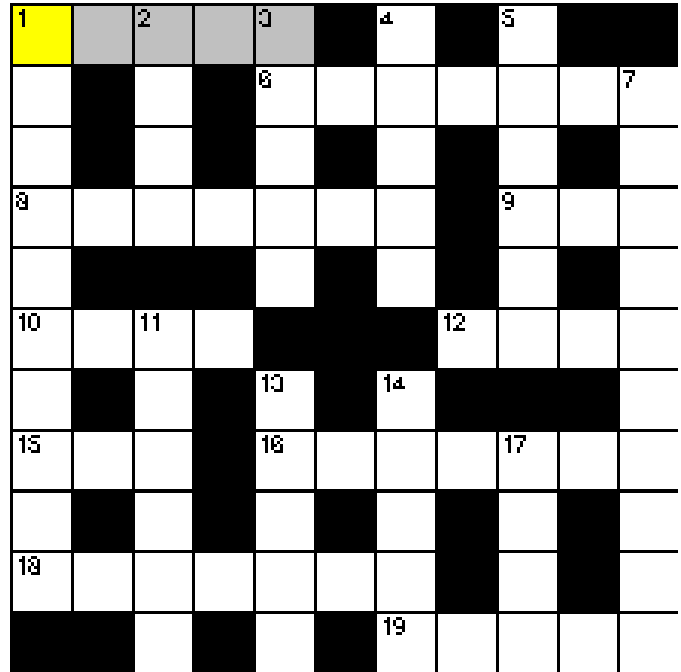
— W. Hitchcock

Across

- 1. Central point
- 6. Wife of a peer
- 8. Bright red colour
- 9. Rotational speed
- 10. Burden
- 12. Underground mammal
- 15. Obtained
- 16. Performer of gymnastic feats
- 18. Large ships
- 19. Scorch

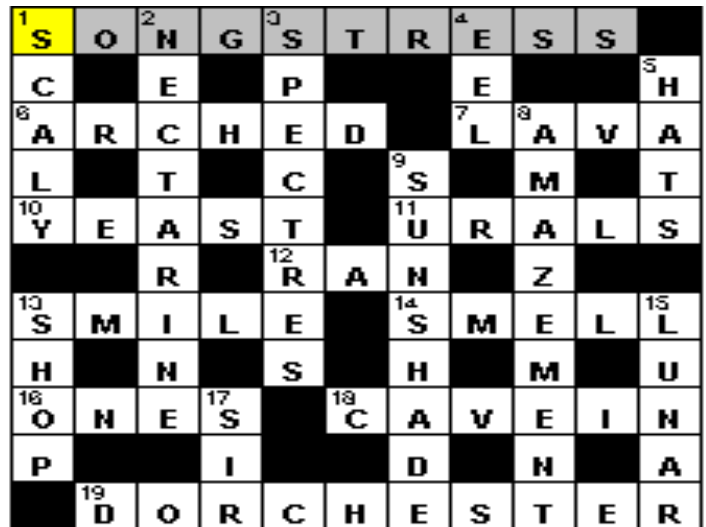
Down

- 1. Torch
- 2. Prolonged unconsciousness
- 3. Express words by letters
- 4. Bird homes
- 5. Eccentric person
- 7. Summer season
- 11. Be present at
- 13. Speed contests
- 14. Squeeze
- 17. Brought forth by birth



The solution will appear next month.
The solution to last month's puzzle appears below

The June Solution



Where in the World???

Can you identify where this shot was taken ?



Answer next month

Last Month's Picture
Table Mountain, South Africa



Please submit contributions for the next newsletter by August 12
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The easiest way to get your wife's attention is by looking comfortable.

— Franklin P. Jones

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A Final Thought

London Pride

You come to place your bags of hate,
 On bus and train, you made us late.
 Yet we'll be back again tomorrow,
 We'll carry on despite our sorrow.
 Your bags of hate caused some to die,
 Yet we stride out strong with heads held high.
 You'll never win, we will not bow,
 You can't defeat us, you don't know how.
 This London which we love with pride,
 Is a town where scum like you can't hide.
 Don't worry we will hunt you down,
 Then lock you up in name of Crown.
 We're London and we're many races,
 Just look you'll see our stoic faces.
 We all condemn your heinous act,
 You will not win and that's a fact.
 We'll mourn our dead and shed a tear,
 But we will not bow to acts of fear.
 You're out there somewhere all alone,
 There's nowhere now you can call home.
 Olympics ours we've won the race,
 Your timing then a real disgrace.
 Our strength you'll find remains unbowed,
 We're London and we're very proud.

**JUST
the
FACTS**

Many years ago in Scotland, a new game was invented. It was ruled "Gentlemen Only...Ladies Forbidden"
 ...and thus the word GOLF entered into the English language.

The first couple to be shown in bed together on prime time TV were:
 Fred and Wilma Flintstone.

Pedestrian: A husband who didn't think the family needed two cars.