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From the President's Pen

Congratulations to the Probud Club of Cobourg and District, the Keeler Centre and Black Dress Catering for the 4th annual, greater than ever, Spring Fling '2009'. There was a large contingent from our club present and having a wonderful time.

We enjoyed an excellent program filled with good humour, followed by a banquet fit for royalty. Our Past President, Clare Musselman, was recognized for initiating this annual event, which started with over 500 in attendance. Regional representatives stated that it is the largest gathering of club members in Canada.

One of the highlights of the year for the Colborne Probud Club will be held on Wednesday, July 8th at the McKinney "Happy Acres Plantation". Please note that it will be on the 2nd Wednesday in July. Sign-up sheets will be at the June meetings. Come and see Alan's latest invention and enjoy Dorothy's hospitality. Make sure to practice throwing horse shoes – the competition is building each year. See you there,

Doug Galt, President

Speaker's Corner

May 6th – Our guest speaker was Paul McCutcheon, a university friend of Doug Galt, and fellow veterinarian. Dr. McCutcheon opened the East York Animal Clinic in 1962. He, along with Susan Weinstein, has written a book entitled The New Holistic Way for Dogs and Cats. He believes in treating the cause of the problem and not just the end result. He had some very interesting ideas that he shared with us about feeding dogs, and about vaccinations. Clare Musselman thanked him, and presented him with a gift. Paul Ross won the 50/50 prize.

THE PROBUS CLUB OF COLBORNE MEETING SCHEDULE

June 3rd – Our guest speakers will be Roberta and Don Harris who will be speaking about Bedrolls for children.

June 17th – Carl Fletcher will be our guest speaker. He is an audiologist.

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

June 6th – The Shiloh Tea will be held again this year on the lawn of Eden United Church.

June 17 or 18th – Eileen is working on a cards night.

July 8th – Our annual picnic at the McKinney farm.

BOWLING CLUB - No bowling until the fall.

BOOK CLUB REPORTS

What a surprise! Ken Bushell joined the Book Club Meeting. It did not matter that he had not read the book on review because several of the members had not finished it either. The book was 'The Boys in the Trees' by Mary Swan. Her book was short-listed for the 2009 Giller Prize. It was a very difficult book to read despite only having just over 200 pages. Interestingly, the last chapter made the most sense. However, family and neighbour dynamics over decades seemed extremely disjointed!

We do not meet again until September 17 at Shirley Ross' home. At that time we finish our quest of reading the Giller Prize short-list books – Barnacle Love by Anthony DeSa, Cockroach, by Rawi Hage, and Good to a Fault by Maura Endicott. Happy reading over the summer. **Carol McArthur**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

June 6th – The Shiloh Tea will be held again this year on the lawn of Eden United Church.

June 16th - Northumberland's biggest coffee hour will be hosted again this year by Ferne Dobson, Percy St., between the hours of 10 & 12 a.m. Donations appreciated for the Northumberland MRI machine.

THE LAST WORD

The new puppy arrives June 18th. I can hardly wait. I was very impressed that the puppy's breeder had many of the same ideas as our guest speaker, Paul McCutcheon. It made me doubly impressed that I had chosen to buy my new little friend from her.

Wasn't the Spring Fling great! I enjoyed the humourist very much. Whatever you do, don't miss the picnic. It is always a 'blast' (which is what my teenage grandchildren would say). There are games for everyone, and no-one cares if you can't hit the pit with the horseshoes (like me). The food is always amazing, and, of course, the company is the best!! Mark it on your calendar today – July 8th.

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