



The Beacon



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President's Message



Greetings to all members: spring seems to be on the way and the calendar so confirms. Let us hope for a long warm spring and a pleasant summer. During the last few weeks we have experienced cold, slush, rain and few hours of the sun and warmth giving us a taste of what is to come. But if we compare our "inconvenient weather" to the disasters in other parts of the world such as Haiti, Chile, New Zealand and now Japan, we are indeed fortunate to be among the one in 200 people in the world who are lucky enough to be Canadian. Count your blessings!

We are approaching our 8th anniversary as a Probus Club and will celebrate with a special lunch at our general meeting on the 13th of April to be arranged by Past President Chris. We have come a long way in 8 years, we now have almost 200 members and people are still lining up to join. It is appropriate to say thank you at this time to our founding members Gord King, Bob Briden and Keith Stainton. Thank you for your initiative, Gentlemen.

As you have been informed we will vote on two By-law changes at the 13th of April meeting, the main one being the limit on membership. If you wish to speak for or against the motion during that process please give you name to Secretary Mike or myself.

At the Management Meeting of the 17th of March (several members wore something green) we reviewed the Social Program for the remainder of the year and I want to thank that Committee for a well-balanced plan. Please participate; those who have worked to prepare deserve your support.

I will be away in New York during the next meeting (March 23rd) and Vice President Mary will take my place. Please give her your support.

Have a good week,

SOCIAL EVENTS

Friday, March 25, 2011

Best Western Dinner Theatre, Cobourg – “Looking”, a Norm Foster comedy.
INFORMATION ONLY.

Wednesday April 13, 2011 – Brighton Probus Anniversary Lunch – details to follow. A sign up sheet is available.

Tickets will be handed out in order that we can get an accurate count for the food.
NO TICKET, NO FOOD.

Thursday, April 14, 2011

Elvis – From Memphis to Vegas

Capitol Theatre, Port Hope.
Lunch at noon at the Railside Restaurant followed by a matinee performance.
INFORMATION ONLY

Thursday, May 12, 2011 matinee

The “Glen Miller Orchestra”

The Empire Theatre, Belleville
Cost including Lunch at theatre is \$44.58 for a minimum of 20 people.
Sign up sheet is available

Probus Spring Fling

Wednesday, May 18, 2011

Evinrude Centre, 911 Monaghan Road, Peterborough. Cost \$35 per person.
Doors open at 8:00am. Program 9:00am – 4:00pm. Entertainment by: Comedian Linda Kash, well known as the *Philadelphia Cream Cheese Angel*; The Little Leahy's; The Jubilation Choir, James Rafin, curator of the Canadian Canoe Museum.

Thursday, May 26, 2011

Geritol Follies Variety Show, Hamilton
CANCELLED.

Some events currently being planned:

June 2011 – All day event in Kingston (boat cruise and dinner theatre)

July 2011 – Annual Picnic

July 2011 – Dinner and wine tour

August 2011 – Huff Estate Wine Tour in Prince Edward County.

In the early planning stages for early August 2011 – a 4-night 5-day trip to the Eastern Townships of Quebec and New Hampshire. More information to follow.
September 2011 – St. Jacob's Tour Day
October 2011 – Car Rally
October 2011 – Kitchener Octoberfest
November 2011 – Lunch & Theatre
December 2011 – Christmas Dinner & Dance

PROGRAMME

<p>TODAY - Wednesday, March 23, 2011 Cathie Hewton of the Brighton Y will talk about its programmes.</p>

Wednesday, April 13, 2011

Anniversary Lunch.

Wednesday, April 27, 2011

David Bree, Natural Heritage Education Leader at Presqu'ile Park, will talk about bird watching.

Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Wayne Lain, Head Cheese Maker at Maple Dale Cheese.

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

Drive Wise Programme

INTEREST GROUPS

Bid Euchre

New Members welcome

Every 1st and 3rd Monday 1:30pm

Anglican Church Hall

Linda Barker

613-475-5344

Diane Frye

905-355-2307

Chapter One Book Club

1st Tuesday of the month 10:00am

Lin Barker

613-475-6142

Chapter Two Book Club

1st Thursday of the month 10:00am

Rosemary Kennedy

613-475-1741

Scrabble Club (new members welcome)
**Please note that we are now meeting on
the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in the month
at 2pm.** Call for location.

Celia Miles 613-475-1524

Single Diners (New members welcome.
Must be single and a member of the Probus
Club.)

Please contact *Helen Anthony* 613-475-
1304 or *Marion McIlveen* 613-475-2202 if
you are interested in joining the group for a
social time and a meal.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Ann Knop, Joy McRae, Davina Rice-Jones,
Vic Lenius, Mary Lenius

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Branch 100 Royal Canadian Legion
invites Probus members to attend their
Public Events. Entrance is \$10 at the door
and includes the buffet.
Age 18 and over only.

Friday, March 25 – Country & Western
Pub Night (steak dinner from 6-7pm) with
music by Jeannie Mintz from 7pm.

Sunday, March 27 – Jam Session 1-5pm
includes a buffet supper.

Wednesday Noon Lenten Church Services and luncheons

March 23 - Evangel Pentecostal
March 30 - Smithfield United
April 6 - Fellowship Christian Reform
April 13 - St. Paul's Anglican
April 20 - Holy Angels R. C. Church

NOTICE RE PROBUS MEMBERSHIP

A MOTION has been made and approved by the
Management Committee in regard to Bylaw #2
pertaining to Membership and article #7 in
particular which currently reads as follows:

“The maximum number of members, excluding
Life and Honorary members, is 150”

The MOTION made is to revise this number to
200.

COMMENTS. The 150 number, we believe,
was arrived at because it was the capacity of the
Legion Hall we were using at that time.

The capacity of the Community Centre we are
now using is 190 when it is set up with tables;
this can be increased to 225 if no tables are used.
It is highly unlikely that we would ever exceed
the 190 figure as 25 to 30 of our members rarely
attend the regular meetings.

It was suggested that another club be formed but
due to the difficulty in obtaining volunteers for
the current management positions it was felt to
be impractical.

A MOTION was made and approved by the
Management Committee in April 2010 in regard
to Bylaw #2 pertaining to Membership and
article #1 in particular which currently reads as
follows:

“... and an annual membership of \$35.00 ...”

The second MOTION is made to reduce the
membership fee to \$30.

Voting will take place at the general meeting of
April 13, 2011.

April 2011

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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3	4 Bid Euchre 1:30pm	5 Chapter One Book Club 10:00am	6 Scrabble Club 2:00pm Call for location	7 Chapter Two Book Club 10:00am	8	9
10	11	12	13 Anniversary Lunch	14	15	16
17	18 Bid Euchre 1:30pm	19	20 Scrabble Club 2:00pm Call for location	21 Management Meeting 9:30am	22 Good Friday	23
24 Easter Sunday	25	26	27 Probus General Meeting 10:00am David Bree - birdwatching	28	29	30