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PROBUS Club of Clarington

Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 10:00 AM 1685 Bloor St., Courtice (Hope Fellowship Church)



From our President

On October 21, 2022, the Management Committee appointed a Nominating Committee, as prescribed in the Bylaws, to propose a list of Management Committee candidates for the 2023-2024 year for approval at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) on April 12, 2023.

Members of the Nominating Committee are President Leslie Soltay, Past/Charter President

Victoria Girling, and Secretary Liola Limeback. Interim Past President, Jim Bamford, was also invited to assist the Committee.

The Committee met in person, via Zoom and had a number of telephone discussions. As well, they had numerous in-person and telephone discussions with prospective candidates for the vacant posts on the committee.

We are pleased to present the following slate of candidates for Membership approval at the AGM on April 12, 2023. All the below-named candidates indicated their interest to serve on the committee:

President: John Muzik

Vice President: Marg Allen

Past President: Leslie Soltay

Secretary: Sherry Shrives

Treasurer: George Rickard

Membership Coordinator: Nadia Bilyk

Social Committee Chair: Andrea Shaw

Interest Group Chair: Donna Bright

Communications Chair: Alice Chase

The Bylaws allow for further nominations for these positions up to 21 days prior to the AGM. Any member wishing to put their name forward for any

PROBUS MANAGEMENT TEAM

Leslie Soltay
President

Paul Halliday Vice President

Jim Bamford Past President

Nadia Bilyk Membership Coordinator

Liola Limeback Secretary

George Rickard Treasurer

Susan Hollyman
Social Committee Chair

Donna Bright
Interest Group Chair

Nancy Muzik
Communications Chair

Management position must do so in writing on or before March 21, 2023 and submit their nomination to the Nominating Committee Chair at brasscranes@gmail.com.

If there are any additional nominations for a specific position on the Management Committee, this would initiate an election to be held at the AGM.

Management Committee job descriptions can be found on the PROBUS Club of Clarington website. https://probusclarington.wildapricot.org/page-18748

Leslie Soltay

President / Chair, Nominating Committee

Speakers for February:

Speakers **Faye Langmaid**, former Manger of Special Projects, Municipality of Clarington, and **Amy Burke**, Principal Planner/Project Manager, Municipality of Clarington's Planning and Infrastructure Services Dept., will share the renewed vision for the 34 kilometres of Clarington's waterfront. The strategy will contain an achievable, sustainable, and affordable plan for the lakefront with clear priorities that set out a renewed vision for the next 30 years. Faye will look back at what the 1992 Strategy achieved and set the stage for how new development can enhance the waterfront by supporting sustainable, barrier-free access to the lakefront with high-quality amenities and parks. Amy will provide an outline of where the Municipality is in the process, how to be involved, and what's next.





Project information is available at www.clarington.net/waterfrontstrategy.

Coming up next month:

Rick Pyves, a published author, avid historian and genealogist will present the intriguing story of the rise of Sir John James Taylor, Assistant Under-Secretary for Ireland, who was the de facto ruler of Ireland from 1918 to early 1920 - and Rick's distant relative.

Member Profile:



Hi, my name is Cyndi Barron and we moved to Durham area from downtown Toronto about 4 years ago. We love it out here and are enjoying the many nature trails, farm markets, etc.

I am a retired teaching assistant with the Toronto District School Board, and a retired auxiliary police constable with the Toronto Police Service. My husband is still enjoying working from home.

I am involved in various volunteer projects involving frog and bird counts, including the Ontario Breeding Bird Atlas. It gets me out to many new areas to enjoy the birds and contribute to citizen science.

I have 2 daughters that live in Kitchener and New Liskeard, and I now have 2 granddaughters, one from each daughter.

My favourite hobbies are travel, birding, walks, golf, reading, swimming, and seeing my grandchildren. I am looking forward to meeting everyone and joining in the many activities offered by the group.

Membership Report:

Membership: Active membership stands at 225 members.

A warm welcome to our newest members: Judy Houle, Maureen Tees, Bill Kennedy, Glen Hill, Anne Hill, Leslie Ferguson, Christine Male.

Shawna Kadykalo received her name badge in December. Sally Mullen received her name badge in January.

Try your luck with the Share the Wealth tickets. \$1 / 1 ticket, \$2 / 3 tickets, \$5 / 10 tickets. January's fortuitous 50/50 winner was Sue Tullock. Congratulations on your \$96.50 win, Sue! Please note that if you purchase a Share the Wealth ticket, you do not need to contribute \$1 for the coffee and treats.

Remember to register online for the monthly meetings! Our hard-working Hospitality Subcommittee needs to know our numbers for treats. Thank you!!



Photo by Pleun Dorsman: New Member Sally Mullen

Nadia Bilyk

News from your Social Committee:

1. Games Afternoon, Jan. 10, 2023

Eighteen club members enjoyed lunch at the Bowmanville Family Restaurant before getting down to an afternoon of serious gamesmanship. There were two scrabble competitions as well as CrossCribb, Rummikub, Mexican Train and others. Everyone had an enjoyable time and we thank Madonna Lomas for organizing the event!



Photos by Susan Hollyman



2. A Man Called Otto, Jan.25, 2023

We were delighted with the response to this event. Over 50 people were registered and the theatre offered us a private screening. Unfortunately, Mother Nature threw us a curve ball and the weather was snowy and blowy. Nevertheless, 38 folks came out for the show and Tom Hanks did not disappoint.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

1. Tour of Durham Waste Management Plant, Thurs., Feb. 23, 1-2:30 pm, Durham York Energy Centre, 1835 Energy Dr., Courtice; \$5.20

Garbage is not necessarily an all-consuming subject, however, the quantity of garbage we produce and how we treat it is critical to our health as a community and to the future health of our planet. As this is an industrial site, there will be walking and stairs. The tour is NOT recommended for those with respiratory issues. Protective hard hats & safety glasses will be supplied. Visitors are asked to wear sturdy, flat, close-toed shoes, long sleeves and pants as well as gloves and masks.

Registration was opened on Jan. 23 and the positive response caught us off guard. We apologize that we have had to close to further registrations, but encourage people to add their names to the waiting list. If nothing else, it will help us assess whether a repeat visit is merited.

- 2. 5 Pin Bowling at Neb's Fun World, Tues., March 21, 2:00-3:30 pm; 1300 Wilson Rd. N., Oshawa; \$16.70 Come out for the afternoon. It doesn't matter if it has been years since you bowled a frame, we will enjoy some fun and camaraderie. The cost includes 2 games and shoe rental. There will be prizes for high and low scores. Refreshments, additional games not included. Watch for the registration later in the month.
- 3. Tour Of Ontario Legislature and Tea, Friday, June 16, 2-4 pm; \$47.25

 We are delighted to have been able to arrange a date to tour the Ontario Legislature Buildings and enjoy a delightful English tea. The registration has gone out early in order that we may best be able to anticipate the numbers wishing to attend.

LOOKING AHEAD

We are pleased to confirm the following dates...be sure to mark your calendars. Details will follow in the months ahead, as will individual email registrations.

TUESDAY APRIL 25, LITTLE CANADA

FRIDAY, MAY 12, HOTEL CALIFORNIA, Newcastle Town Hall

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31 CAR RALLY!!!!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Susan Hollyman

Interest Groups:

Premier Crew

On January 18, Premier Crew got together at the home of Leslie and Molly Soltay to enjoy 'Festive Wines' and appetizers. Leslie and Molly were very gracious hosts. Leslie ended the evening with a wonderful display and presentation of the most delicious Crêpes Suzette!!



It's better to look

ahead and prepare,

than to look back

and regret.

Jackie Joyner-Kersee

Photo by Molly Soltay

Ukulele Group

Better late than never...Our Ukulele
Group met on December 14 for a
Christmas sing-a-long and pizza lunch at
my house. We meet monthly on the 3rd
Wednesday at 1 in the afternoon.
Please feel free to join us. No
experience necessary.

Susan Wood



Photo submitted by Susan Wood

What's for Dinner - Soup's On!

The group met for dinner at Linda Bray's house on Jan.

10. The Theme was "Soup Kitchen" and four soups were on offer: Borscht, Thai, Tuscan Kale and Chicken, as well as appetizers and dessert. A great evening of food and fellowship!



Nancy Muzik



Photos by Linda Bray



Photo submitted by Lana Rickard

World of Flavours

Eleven intrepid foodies set out on January 3 to tackle the over 100 pizza offerings at The Tuscan Wolf Restaurant in Whitby. However, "only" 11 different pizzas were selected, then shared — each one of them totally scrumptious, if not a little spicy-hot in one case.

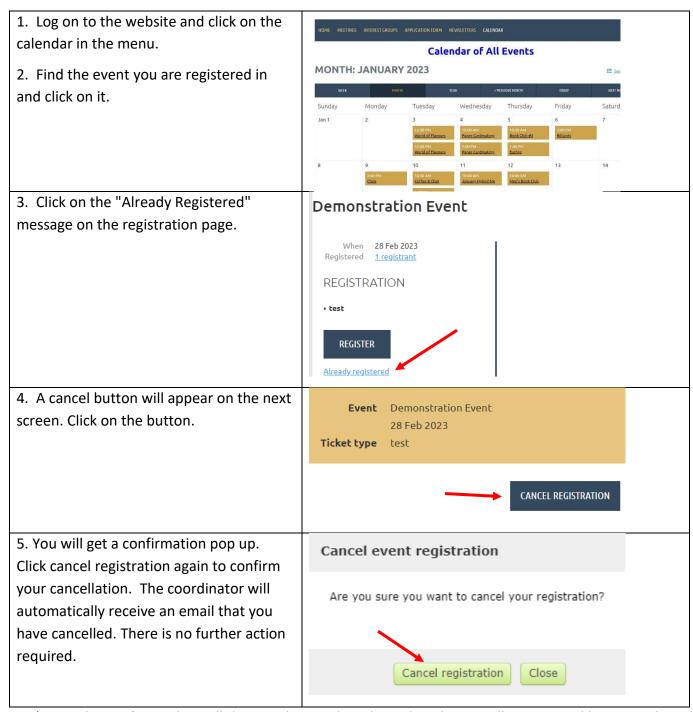
I think the evening was a great success, judging by the smiles.

Alice Chase

Management Team Information:

Website Tip of the Month: How to Cancel Your Registration to an Event

Did you know you can cancel your registration from meetings and interest group events? You can cancel your registration to an event very easily.



Don't see a button? Email or call the coordinator directly. Either the cancellation period has passed, or the coordinator did not set up cancellations for this event.

NOTE: Social Events with fees have their own cancellation policies so always review these prior to registering. If you must cancel, call or email Susan Hollyman.

Nancy Muzik

Accident / Incident Reporting Form



Probus Canada initiated an accident / incident reporting form. The form is available on the website <u>probuscanada.ca</u> in a fillable form. Our Secretary, Liola Limeback, also has copies for you. There have been no claims from any clubs yet, but it is always good to be aware and be prepared.

Message from your Newsletter Editor

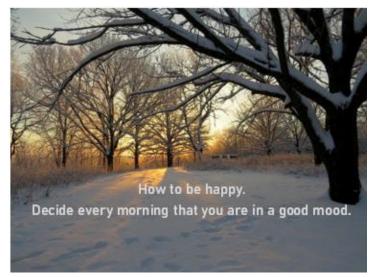
I love it when members send in photos of the various PROBUS events and activities they have engaged in. They really add to the Newsletter! However, can I please ask that you send no more than 2 or 3 of *your best* photos for any given event? It's fine if more than one person submits photos for the same event. I would just ask that each person send only 2 or 3 at the most. Otherwise, I find myself pouring (sometimes enviously and with mouth watering) over the many submissions. It makes my job all the more difficult if I have to choose the photos from a copious number! Also, please indicate the event, date of the event, and who took the photos. Thank you for your cooperation.

Alice Chase









If you get cold this winter, try standing in the corner of a room. It's usually 90 degrees.

I was going to write a long story about winter but it started getting too cold. So, I just wrote a summery instead.

Animals: Winter is here, we need a plan to survive. Goose: Wanna hear migrate idea?

Why did Grandpa stop using his loyalty card to scrape ice from his windshield? He only got 10% off.

REMINDERS

- Next meeting: February 8, 10 am, Hope Fellowship Church, Courtice
- Bring cash for Share the Wealth tickets
- Bring a mug and <u>remember to take it home with you</u> (Please pick up your mug if you left it behind at the last meeting!)
- ❖ Hot drinks & treats are \$1, unless you purchase a Share the Wealth ticket, in which case you don't have to pay for the refreshments
- Submit pictures and articles to chase_al@hotmail.com.
 Deadline for March Newsletter is February 24.

The following event or travel opportunity is offered for your information only and is not being sponsored by PROBUS Club of Clarington. Members should be aware they would be dealing directly with the travel company or sponsoring organization and that it may be offered to other PROBUS clubs and/or the general public.

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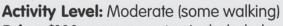
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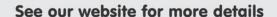
NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE WINE TOUR

Saturday, May 27th, 2023

- Chateau Des Charmes Sweet & Salty Experience
- Floral Clock and Centennial Lilac Garden
- Shopping and lunch (on your own) in the beautiful and historic Niagara-on-the-Lake
- Reif Estate Winery wine tasting
- Konzelmann Estate Winery walking tour of the winery and wine tasting



Price: \$189 per person, tax included, due upon booking



Email cathy@canxplore.com to book

