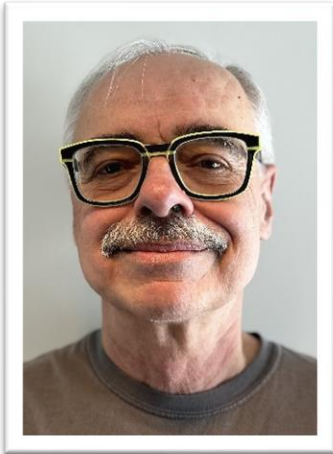




# PROBUS Club of Clarington

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



## From our President

November is probably the ickiest month of the year. It's not really winter, but the days are getting shorter, seemingly by the hour, and to borrow a line from The Mamas and The Papas, "All the leaves are brown" and carted away in those brown paper bags.

As always, there are lots of activities from our social committee and interest groups to keep us busy. November is also a month of remembrance.

We will start the November General Meeting with a short Remembrance Day ceremony. If you plan to attend the November meeting, please make an effort to be in your seats by 10:00. A Bryan Adams Remembrance Day video will be played at the commencement of our meeting.

In 1988, Bryan Adams and Jim Vallance were approached by the Canadian Ministry of National Defence, requesting permission to use "Remembrance Day" in a video production to be played in schools across Canada each November 11th. We will follow this video with some other thoughtful presentations commemorating this solemn occasion. Hope to see you on the 8th.

*John Muzik,  
President*



## PROBUS Management Team

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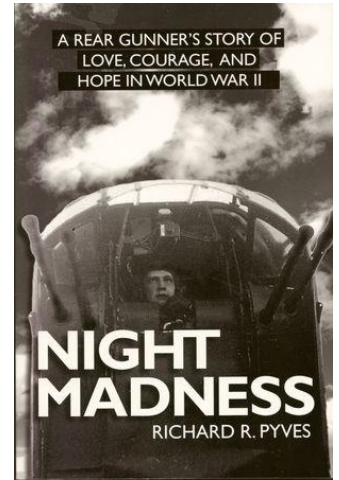
Andrea Shaw  
Social Committee Chair

Alice Chase  
Communications Chair

## Speaker for November



Our November speaker is author and historian Richard Pyves, whose book, *Night Madness*, chronicles the incredible story of his father, Ron Pyves, a teenager who fought as a tail-gunner over the war-torn skies of Europe during the last deadly months of WW II to eliminate Hitler's hold over Europe.



## Member Profile

I was born in London, Ontario and moved to Oshawa when I married in 1975.

My husband Joe and I moved to Scugog Island 43 years ago and still live here. We have 2 children.

I did volunteer work and worked as an Education Assistant until I returned to university to get a Bachelor of Education degree when my children were off to school. I spent 22 years as a teacher in the elementary panel of the Durham Board of Education and retired 4 years ago.

Working in stained glass has been an interest for many years as well as doing more fused glass projects.

The Melody Makers choir is the main reason I joined the Clarington PROBUS group but I am also a member of the Port Perry PROBUS group.

*Penny Kutlik*



## Membership Report

There are currently 205 active members.

Lynette Holloway won the 50/50 draw at October's meeting. Her share of the pot was \$112.50. Congratulations Lynette!

Remember to bring cash for the Share the Wealth Draw. Tickets are \$1 / 1 ticket, \$2 / 3 tickets, \$5 / 8 tickets. Enjoy free coffee and treats with your ticket purchase.

*Nadia Bilyk*



*Photo by Pleun Dorsman*

## News from your Social Committee

The fall car rally on October 3 was greatly enjoyed. The routes were a wonderful way to get to know this beautiful region we live in. In addition, we had lots of fall colours to inspire us. Our thanks to Joan Seaton and Merv Bolton who planned the event. It was a job well done!



Joan and Merv



Car Rally Lunch; Photos by Andrea Shaw

The **Algoma Orchards Processing Facility Tour** on November 21 at 2:00 pm sold out within the first few hours of posting the event. We have a large wait list indicating considerable interest so we will run it again next year.

Fourteen tickets have been purchased for the **Candlelight Concert Holiday Special** on **Dec. 22, 2023** at 6:30 pm at the Biltmore Theatre in Oshawa. Tickets are **\$29.66** per person. This is a multi-sensory musical experience under the gentle glow of candlelight held all over the world and for the first time, coming to Oshawa. Seating within the zone purchased is on a first come first served basis. Doors open 45 minutes prior to show time. Performed by a string quartet, the concert will be a lovely way to begin the Christmas celebrations.



Just a reminder that social event registrations are **not refundable**. If you have to cancel, every effort will be made to replace you with someone on the wait list, but it is not a guarantee.

For people who are looking for a ride to social events or for those willing to carpool, please go to the **Member Forum** page and initiate a new post with a subject such as “Car Pool Ride needed to Algoma”. Other notes, such as people wanting to join other participants for an event, are on there so, please check out the Member Forum frequently.

Registration emails come out one month prior to an event for the most part, so if you are interested in something in particular, please check your emails one month prior and register right away. Remember when paying that you must enter your information the same way that it is listed for your credit card; postal codes are without a space. Registrations will time out and be cancelled after 15 minutes if you haven’t completed it.

We are currently completing the details for our lineup of events for 2024. Your suggestions are always welcome.





## Christmas Luncheon

Friday, December 8th  
Kedron Dells Golf Course  
2400 Ritson Rd N Oshawa  
Noon to 4:00

\$55.50 per person

**80 minimum to 100 maximum Registration  
Deadline is Nov. 24, 2023**

Enjoy a traditional turkey dinner with mini potatoes, sage stuffing, turkey gravy and cranberry sauce, holiday salad and apple-cranberry crumble for dessert. The vegetarian option is stir-fried vegetables on a bed of rice.

Alcoholic beverages are pay-as-you-go with Debit, Visa or Mastercard. No cash payments are permitted.

Our emcee for the day will be Victoria Girling. Listen to the Christmas stylings of the Melody Makers and enjoy trivia, socializing and celebrating the season. For those who wish to participate, please bring a wrapped gift or regift valued at maximum of \$15.

*Andrea Shaw*



## Interest Groups

### Birdwatching



Photo by John Muzik



On a damp, but not too cold morning, the Muziks and the Hollymans met at Lynde Shores Conservation Area for a morning of birding. Despite the wet conditions, the birds did not disappoint. In all, we saw 22 species, which mostly hung out where wild grapes were growing.

The highlights were an Eastern Towhee and about 40 Green-winged Teals on Lynde Creek. The rain held off for most of the morning until about noon, when we were ready to head home anyway. This may be the last outing of the season, unless we get some nice weather in November and we do a last-minute outing.

*John Muzik*



## Bowling

The bowlers struck (pun intended) again in September. It was nice to see a new member, Steve Spracklin, who elevated the quality of the game. The first game, everyone bowled over 100!

*Donna Bright*



## Ukulele Club



Photo by Pleun Dorsman

The ukulele club, led by Susan Wood, not only entertained at the October General Meeting, but also engaged the audience in a joyful sing-along of golden oldies.



## Urban Walking

### Benefits of Walking

1. *Helps with weight management*
2. *It's accessible to everyone*
3. *Doesn't require special equipment*
4. *One of the easiest ways to get more active*
5. *Reduces symptoms of depression and anxiety*
6. *Is a low impact exercise*
7. *Improves balance and coordination*
8. *Reduces stress*
9. *Reduces risk of heart disease*
10. *Helps maintain lean muscle tissue*

*So, what's holding you back from walking?*



Farewell Creek Trail, October 13; Photo submitted by Rietta Pithie

## Ladies Who Lunch



East Side Mario's, Oct. 13; Photos by Shirley Shirley



## Première Crew

A lovely evening was shared by the members of the Première Crew at the home of Gail and Barry Pedwell.

Wines and food from Germany were enjoyed with lively conversation and good friends.

*Kathleen Brear*



Photos by Margaret Woolsey



## World of Flavours



Lunch at Café Lviv, Port Hope, Oct. 10; Photo submitted by Anna Huston

## What's for Dinner I



Photo submitted by Alvina Hare

The Estonian Dinner evening was a huge success. Everyone had done their research for authentic Estonian recipes and the food was delicious. A great evening of food and games!

*Alvina Hare*

What's for Dinner II – Halloween Hijinks at the Home of Linda Bray



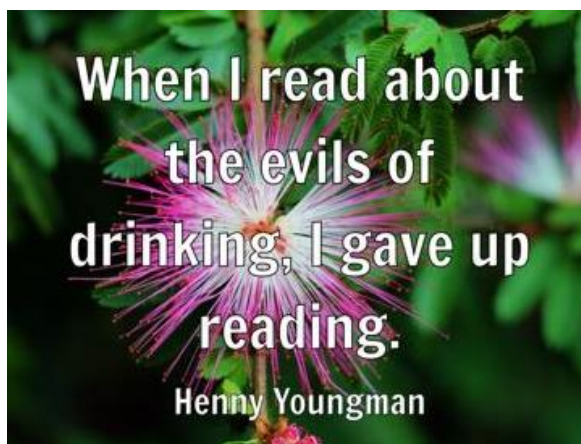
Photo by Nancy Muzik



Remaining photos submitted by Enid Roberts Sadler



**A little bit of laughter...**



Laughing at your mistakes can lengthen your life.  
Laughing at your wife's mistakes can shorten it.

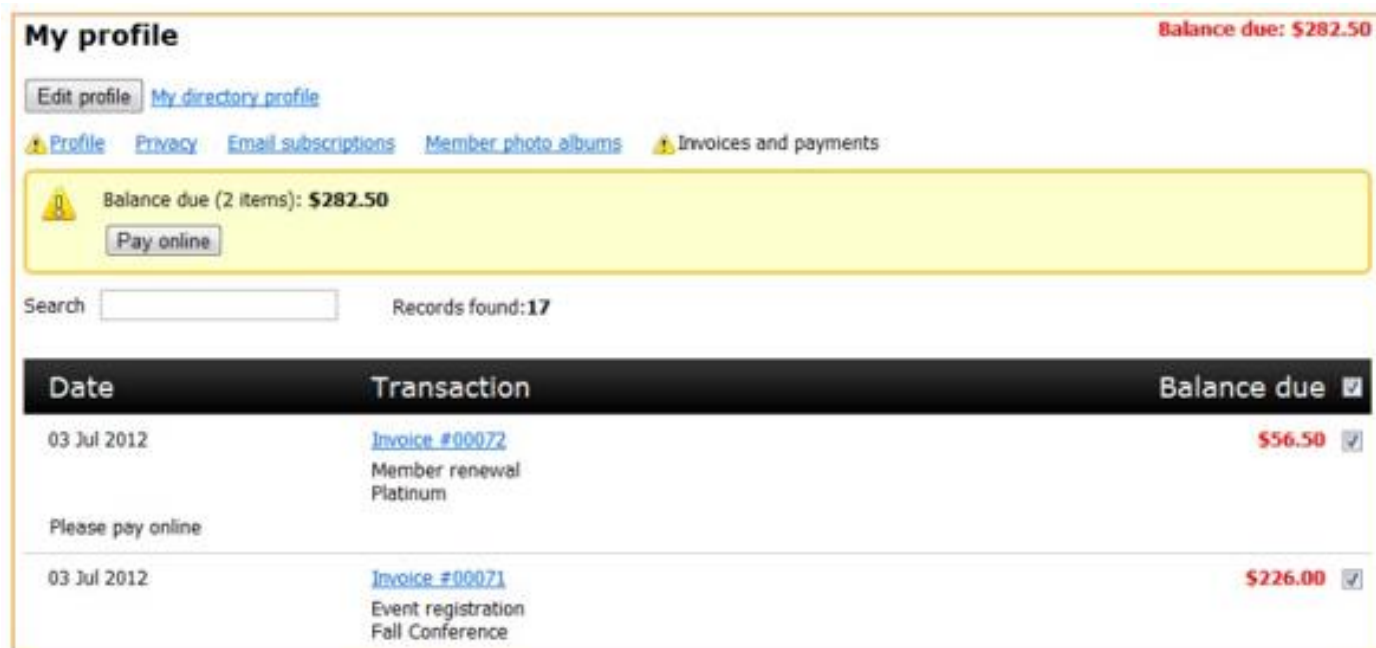
Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race and changes you forever. We call these people cops.



## Website Tip of the Month: Online Payment Tips

Did you know that you have 15 minutes to have your credit card successfully processed while registering for a social event? If it is not processed in this time frame, your registration will be automatically cancelled by the system. Below are some tips to aid your online payments.


1. All fields must match the information the credit card company has on file for the card. You may pay with anyone's credit card, such as a spouse, but all the information entered must match their card, including name.
2. The postal code should be entered without a blank e.g. A1B2C3
3. If you miss entering one of the fields, you will get a red error message under the missing information.
4. If your card is denied, you will receive an error message: e.g., **Card Expired**. Re-enter the information carefully, correcting any errors, or use another credit card.
5. Never try to re-register for the event if you have problems without checking your profile for an unpaid invoice. Go to your profile by clicking on the blue head and then click **View Profile**. Invoices with open balances (unpaid or partially paid) will be shown at the top of the Invoices and payments screen.



**My profile** Balance due: \$282.50

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| 03 Jul 2012       | <a href="#">Invoice #00072</a><br>Member renewal<br>Platinum            | <b>\$56.50</b>  |
| Please pay online |   |                 |
| 03 Jul 2012       | <a href="#">Invoice #00071</a><br>Event registration<br>Fall Conference | <b>\$226.00</b> |

6. From here, click **Please pay online** and enter the credit card information again carefully, or use another credit card.
7. If you do not see an outstanding invoice or balance due information, you should go back to the event registration. Check to see if your registration was cancelled. Check the list of names by clicking on the number of registrants. If 15 minutes has passed and your registration was automatically cancelled, you may register again.

*Nancy Muzik*

When 8 Nov 2023  
10:00 AM  
Location Hope Fellowship Church and  
on Zoom  
Registered [56 registrants](#)

### REGISTRATION

- **In Person Meeting At Hope Fellowship Church**
- **Zoom attend at home**  
The Zoom link will be in the confirmation email.

[REGISTER](#)

[Already registered](#)



I like the fall  
 The mist and all  
 I like the night owl's lonely call  
 And wailing sound  
 Of wind around

I like the gray  
 November day  
 And dead, bare boughs that coldly  
 sway  
 Against my pane  
 I like the rain

I like to sit  
 And laugh at it  
 And tend my cozy fire a bit  
 I like the fall  
 The mist and all

Dixie Willson

*(Editor's Note: I really do like the Fall, even  
 the month of November!)*

# LESSONS *from* Autumn

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THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS  
 PRESENTS

**4 NOVEMBER**  
**A CONCERT**  
 OF  
**REMEMBRANCE**

*Guests:*  
 DURHAM SHORES CHORUS  
 RESOUND CHOIR  
 IAIN LYNCH  
 Piper

**7:00PM** 632 THORNTON RD. N  
 OSHAWA, ON  
 FREE ADMISSION | GENERAL SEATING

DONATIONS WELCOMED FOR:

## Next PROBUS Meeting

Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at 10 am

Remember to bring a mug and money for

Share the Wealth

Deadline for submissions to December Newsletter is

November 27

Send articles, pictures and jokes to

[chase\\_al@hotmail.com](mailto:chase_al@hotmail.com)

