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Probuss Club of Colborne

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Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month from September through June at the Keeler Centre in Colborne (unless otherwise designated by the current executive)

2012-13

Executive

President	Barry McQuillin
Vice President	Diane Dycke
Secretary	Shirley Ross
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Committees

Speakers	Eileen Milley
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Coming events	Mary Lee
Sunshine	Heather McElroy
Welcome	MJ/Bill Doherty
Bowling	Gord McArthur
Coffee	Carol McArthur Heather McElroy
Quartermaster	Al Mackie
Car Rally 2013	Doug Galt
In Touch Editor	Sue McQuillin

From the President's Perch



Hi everyone,

Start planning now for what you will wear for the Valentine "Love In" at the Feb 6th meeting. Anything pink, hearts, love words etc are in vogue. Each person coming is to bring a valentine, signed, for the draw, and a small bag of your favourite valentine candies for the exchange plus the opportunity to steal from someone else if theirs looks better. We will be swapping stories about proposals, weddings etc. just to get to know each other better.

The second meeting on Feb 20th will give another look at the history of Cramahe when our speaker presents her research on "How Firm a Foundation" so pretty soon we should know about 10% of what Harold Harden carries around in his head all the time.

The two meetings in March will feature your Vice President Diane Dycke in the President's Chair as Sue and I will be taking off for a month (non paid vacation). Diane has been working with the committees for over a month so is more than ready to take the plunge. We will be available via email and phone messages so are not out of touch.

The meeting on April 3rd is a little different twist again in that it will be a hobby demonstration combined with a buy, sell, swap occasion. Your chance to show off and brag about your talents and what you do in your spare time.

April 17th will be our Anniversary Luncheon, and can you imagine? This is our tenth anniversary since starting Colborne Probuss. What a great bunch of memories!

Keep on smiling.

Barry

**HAPPY
VALENTINE'S
DAY**

Probus in Review

Jan. 9 Speaker - Robin Young accompanied by Lenna Broatch. Topic - Preserving our Heritage. Robin took us on a tour of Cramahe, highlighting some of the many heritage homes in the area. Her presentation has made us all more aware of the rich legacy to be found right here "at home."

Share the Wealth winner - Bonnie Hilliard \$34.50

Jan. 23 Speaker - Peggy Dymond Leavy. Topic - Laura Secord. The Hero of the 1812 War. Peggy certainly set to rest many of our mythical beliefs about Laura Secord and her trek to inform the British Commander about the movement of the American troops.

Share the Wealth winner - Barry McQuillin \$24.00

Shen Yun Theatre Trip

On Saturday, Jan. 19th, twenty-nine Colborne Probians boarded the bus for a day in Toronto. Several of us dined at The Old Spaghetti Factory or The Keg. Many others toured the St. Lawrence Market. Then we assembled at the Sony Theatre to view the Shen Yun performance. It was an energetic dance performance as well as showcasing three vocalists. There was also a demonstration of an ancient musical instrument, the erhu (a Chinese two-stringed violin.) It certainly was a Saturday afternoon well spent.



A bus full of excited Probians on our way to the Shen Yun performance!

Bowling

From the Bowling Lanes

We welcomed newcomers Velma and Wilf Robinson and Past Pres.'s Bonnie Hilliard and Eileen Milley to our ranks this morning. There were 18 bowlers, most of whom have signed up for the Probus Tournament to be held Monday, February 11 in Cobourg. Our Club will be well represented with three teams signed up and ready to go. We had a "Family Theme" this morning as Barry McQuillin was top bowler overall -478 pts. and his bride, Sue, top Lady bowler -424. The top ladies were Sue-424, Eileen-398, Muriel-380. The top Men were, Barry-478, Bob Lee-425, Gord-411. Thanks to all who participated this morning. The weather cooperated as well too. Our next Bowling will be Wednesday, February 27. See you then.

The Probus Club of Colborne has three teams entered in a Tournament, to be played at the Northumberland Mall in Cobourg. The date is Monday, February 11, 2013 beginning at 10:00am. There will be six clubs represented; Colborne, Brighton, Ganaraska, Northumberland, Northshore and Cobourg. I believe this will be the first time that we have participated. We are looking forward to meeting members of the other five clubs. Details of the results will be posted in the March issue of In Touch.

Respectfully submitted,
Gord McArthur



It's all about concentration!



But there's lots of fun too!

Community Events

Feb. 2 - New exhibit starts (on Trees) - Colborne Art Gallery

Community Care Best Ball Scramble June 6th @ Timber Ridge. \$125.00 ea. lunch, dinner etc. Shotgun start @ 1:00 pm. Contact Dan Pearson @ 905-344-7244 for details and sign up.

Upcoming Probus Events

February 6 - Valentine's "Love-In"

February 20 - How Firm a Foundation

March 6 - Jim Deviney - "How Its Made - Food Safety and Quality Control"

March 20 - Vicky Catton - "Ukranium Easter Eggs"

PROBUS COFFEE TEAM

We would like to thank Diane Dycke, Eileen Milley and Sue McQuillin for making coffee and tea in November and January. It is appreciated by our members. There are openings for volunteers in June, August and September so feel free to 'sign up'. Help is available to novices.

Heather McElroy and Carol McArthur

THE LAST WORD

The last word this month comes to us from Linda MacPhee who said, "What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us."

March in Touch Deadline – February 27, 2013

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