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Probus Club of Colborne

December 2014

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FOUNDED 2003

PROBUS CANADA WEBSITE www.probus.org

Check us out at www.probusnorthumberland.com

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)

2014-15 Executive

President	Martin Blackshaw
Vice President	Anja Guignon
Secretary	Louise Blackshaw
Treasurer	Alan Cullum
Past President	Diane Dycke

Committees

Greeters	Louise & Bob McNutt
Speakers	Judi Eakins
Membership	Shirley Ross Bonnie Hilliard Eileen Milley Pauline Bruce
Coming events	Shirley Ross
Sunshine	Diane Dycke
Bowling	Gord McArthur
Set-up	Al Mackie
Liason	Dorothy McKinney
Christmas, Anniversary Luncheon and Picnic	Martin & Louise Blackshaw
Theater	Carol & Gord McArthur
Car Rally	Anja Guignon Eileen Milley Barry McQuillin
In Touch Editor	Sue McQuillin
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From the President's Perch



Winter came early again this year and gave us a small sample of what is to come. All of us are extremely happy that we were spared the Buffalo, NY slaughter, 6 feet of snow!!!

I am thankful that we now have all our volunteers. We now have 4 volunteers for our membership committee. The executive wishes to thank all who have stepped up and volunteered. We look forward to working with you as we go forward.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year; and also good health for the New Year.

May we all toast and celebrate the festive season; BUT remember DO NOT DRINK AND DRIVE.

Seasonal wishes,
Martin Blackshaw

**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**

September 17th

Having overcome some of our technical difficulties, we can now show you some photos taken during our last September meeting!



Who else than Dorothy and Al McKinney would be the proud parents of such an adorable baby spud?

November 5th



The speaker today was Brandon Abram. Brandon says that Yoga is good for everyone. Yoga develops a state of mind that leads us to accept peace and contentment.

Brandon uses yoga to help people cope with PTSD.

Bonnie Hilliard thanked Brandon and presented him with a small gift of appreciation.

Carol McArthur won the Share the Wealth pot. Her take was \$23.00. Congratulations!



The Lunch Bunch dining out after the meeting. The fun just keeps on happening!

November 19th

Rick Stronks, Chief Naturalist of Algonquin Provincial Park spoke about black bears.
He gave many interesting facts about these animals. All the mothers in the crowd must have been a little envious. Apparently the gestation period of the female is only 3 months!
Many of us would agree with Rick when he mentioned that the black bears' territory is expanding.
David Jones thanked Rick.

Anja Guignon won a hefty \$26.50 for Share the Wealth. Congratulations!

Upcoming Probus Events

December 3rd - Christmas Luncheon - Price to be determined. Please bring a donation for the Food Bank.

January 7 – Jennifer Hardy – podiatrist from Womens’ College Hospital to speak on foot care for seniors.

January 21 – tour of the Ontario Agri-Food Venture Centre on Purdy Road. We will meet there at 9:30 and have refreshments, then have a tour and question period.

February 4 – Rev. Deborah Elliott of Grafton/Castleton United Church will speak on sponsoring a Syrian family, who are living in our community.

February 18 – Visit to Hoselton’s Gallery – tour of the facility with Jan Hoselton, with information about its inception, and question period. Refreshments provided.

Community Events

BOW WOW BALL – in support of the Northumberland Humane Society at the Columbus Community Centre, Cobourg, 6pm, Sat, Nov 29 – dinner, silent auction, raffle, music - \$40/person

Heritage Church – **Salem Lunches** Dec 5. Every other Friday, \$5

- **Percy & Church**, Community Drop In Thursday 9-noon

Breakfast with Santa – Dec 6, Keeler Centre – pancake breakfast \$5/adult - market by local vendors

Check out the Colborne Cramahe **JR A HAWKS** – Home games 7pm at the Keeler Centre Dec 6, 13, 20, Jan 17, 21, 25 (2pm), 31, Feb 7, 15 (2pm), 16 (2pm), 20, 21

Public Skating – Monday 5-6:20pm – Wednesday 4-5:20pm - Parents, Tots & Seniors – Tuesday 4-4:50pm – Wednesday 11-11:50am – Thursday 11-11:50am, 4-4:50pm

Campbellford Resource Centre – 6-8pm – Christmas Make & Take Crafts - \$45 - call Lisa at 705 653 5161

Old St Andrews Presbyterian Church – **Cookie Walk** – Dec 6 – 9am to noon – cookies & squares \$6/lb

Community Family & Friends Christmas Dinner by Black Dress Catering, \$20/person, Saturday, Dec 13, 5-7pm... , Colborne Legion, reservations only 905 355 5479

The Northumberland Orchestra & Choir at the Cobourg United Church– tickets from the Victoria Hall Box Office: \$25 seniors, \$60 family

Christmas in Northumberland – Saturday, December 13, 2014, 7:30-9:30pm

Storytelling – February 28, 2015, 3-5pm

Where the Rainbow Ends – May 2, 2015, 7:30-9:30pm

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Dinners: Friday, Dec 5, 5-6:30pm, **Roast Beef**, \$12/person

Moon-shot Euchre – Dec 7

Check out their NEW YEAR’S EVE PARTY

CRAMAHE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY - 7pm, Rotary Hall at the Keeler Centre, the 3rd Tues of the month. Next meeting will be Jan 20, 2015.

COMMUNITY POLICING – seeks volunteers – call Candace 905-355-2821 x222

To have your event included in this list, please call Shirley Ross at 905-355-2156 or email me at seross118@hotmail.com

Thank you. Sr

Bowling

Our start for the new season had an interesting beginning. We had ten members sign up for the day, however Audrey Shewan fell victim to a flu bug and was unable to participate. Turns out, no one could participate! The new lanes were not ready. Through a series of errors, Presquile Lanes forgot to call Gord and he forgot to confirm with Presquile.

The day was not lost however. It was suggested by Cathy Galt that we head to The Emporium for coffee, which we did. Out of disappointment came a wonderful time of Fellowship. A good time was had by all and I wish to thank all of the participants for their understanding.

Respectfully submitted
Gord McArthur

The Last Word



This is a sign on the wall in a restaurant here in Tampa.

January in Touch Deadline – December 10, 2014

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