

# The Beacon



### Newsletter of the Brighton PROBUS Club

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"Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home."

**Edith Sitwell** 

As I begin to pen this issue of The Beacon, I have calculated that there are 64 days left this winter and Groundhog Day is just 17 days away. Will Wiarton Willie see his shadow which means we are in for 6 more weeks of winter or will we get an early spring? Any bets?

Have you visited the PROBUS Canada web site yet? www.probus.org/canada.htm

Look for the PROBUS survey toward the end of January.

It was nice to see so many of our members out at our last general meeting. We may be fewer in number during the winter months, but as I looked around the room I was warmed by the fellowship that was taking place.

The social committee is in the process of organizing a number of activities for our members this year. Some events will occur outside of our regular meetings, such as the theatre trip to Port Hope for 'Sister Act' on February 25th and others will take place in house. Join us for the Robbie Burns/Scottish celebration on January 24th and then on February 14th for our Valentine celebration. Come and enjoy!

Stay warm - Bob

#### **PROBUS SOCIAL NEWS**

Wednesday, February 14, 2018 – Valentine's Theme.

**Sunday, February 25, 2018** – Musical Comedy *Sister Act*, Cameco Theatre, Port Hope. Performance at 2pm. Tickets \$40 per person include bus. More details to follow.

**Wednesday, March 21, 2018** – Trip to the Casino in Belleville, and dinner. More details to follow.

**April, 2018** – Our 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**May, 2018** – proposed visit to Medieval Times, Toronto.

June, 2018 – Mystery Bus Tour

#### **PROGRAM**

#### **TODAY**

Wednesday, January 24, 2018 – Jody Dexter, Medical Geographer.

Wednesday, February 14, 2018 – R&R

Wednesday, February 28, 2018 – Brock Godfrey talks on fraud in the area.

### BRIGHTON PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS

#### **Bid Euchre**

Sylvia & Doug Gerber 613-475-1266 Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 12:30pm Community Care, Prince Edward Square New Members welcome.

Please note that Bid Euchre will be on 5th and 12th February, 2018. Back to regular dates in March!

#### The Golden Girls

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month at 1:30-3:30pm Downstairs at the Legion Betty McGill-Down 613-475-0999 No meeting in January – next meeting is Wednesday, February 7, 2018. Note change in time. Scrabble Club (New members welcome)

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month at 2:00pm

Betty Edmunds 613-475-0525

Please note that scrabble will be on Tuesday,

January 23<sup>rd</sup> – back to normal in March!

#### **Bridge Group**

Shirley Coveney 613-475-9219 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday each month at 1:00pm Downstairs at the Legion.

**Single Diners\*** (New members welcome. Must be single and a member of the Brighton 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.

Please note that if you do not attend at least one outing in six months we will no longer call you. Exception: sickness or extended vacation.

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**

Ann Sutton Maureen Thom

We remember former member Doreen Drewett who passed away peacefully on December 30, 2017 at Simcoe Manor in Beeton. Doreen was President of Brighton PROBUS for the year 2008-2009.



#### AN INVITATION TO STRATFOFD FROM BELLEVILLE PROBUS

We have been invited to join all clubs between Belleville and Port Hope to travel to Stratford to see *The Music Man* on Tuesday, September 18, and *An Ideal Husband* on Wednesday, September 19. Travel will be in a 48-seater coach with one night's accommodation at the Festival Inn (shared room), 2 dinners and breakfast included – Cost \$375-\$400.

Pick up will be early on Tuesday morning somewhere on the 401 corridor, a stop in Whitby for coffee, lunch in St. Jacob's (you pay), with buffet dinner at the hotel. The bus will take you to the Festival Theatre for the evening performance.

After breakfast on Wednesday the bus will leave at 9am and 11am for downtown. Time for shopping or an opportunity to "Meet the Festival" at the Avon Theatre from 9:30-10:30am (actors from the *Ideal Husband* which you will see at 2pm. This is free. There may also be an opportunity to take a "Warehouse Tour" (around 11am – details not yet available). You are on your own for lunch and to be at the Avon Theatre downtown for the 2pm performance. You will be picked up after the show.

After the show on Wednesday there will be a sit down dinner in KW, or a Tim Horton's/McDonalds/Wendy's type dinner instead – this will be put to the vote when you book. This would help reduce the cost to \$325-\$350.

If you are interested, please contact Clare Westhauser at 613-968-3172 as soon as possible. She has been able to purchase some excellent seats by buying them on the first day and these will go fast.

#### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

If you have a community event that you wish to be announced at PROBUS meetings, please contact Rose ahead of time at 475-2665.

Note that this year ENSS are performing "Aida". Performances will be held on the evenings of April 26, 27, 28 & May 3, 4, 5, 2018.

## **Robbie Burns Dinner**

Saturday, January 27, 2018



Brighton Legion
Saturday, January 27 at 6pm – 11pm
Music by Bert Shutler
\$20 per ticket

February, 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Bid Euchre 12:30pm	6 Scrabble 2:00pm	7 Golden Girls 1:30pm	8	9	10
11	12 Bid Euchre 12:30pm (this month only)	13	14 PROBUS General Meeting 10:00 R&R	15	16	17
18	Family Day	20 Scrabble 2:00pm	21	22 Management Meeting 9:30am	23	24
25	26	27	28 PROBUS General Meeting 10:00 Brock Godfrey on fraud in the area			