



# Probus Patter

*Port Hope and District Probus Club, since 1998*

## Regular Meetings

Officers for 2016/2017

President	Marguerite Doritty
Past President	Barbara Struthers
Secretary	Fiona Maarhuis Allan Butler
Treasurer	Dan Kuzmich
Membership	Dorothy Gilmer Doreen Rossi
Program	Jeanne Keiser Lois Hueston
Special Events	Joan McIntosh Shirley Robinson Shirley Kane
Newsletter Chair	Murray Munro

## Speaker

John Geale of the Northumberland Land Trust

## Greeters

## President's Message



Mid-summer! And we look forward to hearing more about the Northumberland Land Trust from John Geale.

Mid-summer! And we hope to see you at the annual corn roast on August 29<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$10 per person, You can sign on at the August 1 meeting. I have been watching the corn growing in the local fields—in

anticipation of delicious things to come!

And speaking of things to come, we have heard from Jamie Doolittle that Robert Boone, the Vice President of the National Probus committee will be in town on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Keith Pickett and I are delighted to welcome them as distinguished visitors to our regular meeting. Please join us in welcoming them.

And the fall season begins in September. We are all invited by Probus Northumberland to attend their meeting on Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Lion's Center in Cobourg on Elgin Street. Their guest speaker will be Bill Sexsmith, the President of the National Probus Committee. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10:00am and should end about 11:45. A luncheon follows and it is thought that the cost will be under \$25.00. Because they need to plan for guests, we will be asking for people to sign up for this exceptional opportunity. You can sign on for the meeting, or for the meeting with luncheon. We hope that many of you will want to be supportive of this effort. It will be good to meet the Northumberland members. AND, our Annual General Meeting will be held the third Tuesday in September – the 19<sup>th</sup> –when we will elect our officers for the 2017-2018 year. We will be counting our blessings – the people who have served our club so well in the past – and welcoming the newly elected to carry on the tradition of wonderful meetings in company with good friends.

## Recent Events

### **Probians Afloat** *by Ken Scott*

On July 14<sup>th</sup> a group of intrepid Probians set forth from Port Hope in pooled cars for Trenton.

On arrival at dockside with Joan and Shirley as our leaders we boarded a triple decker would be paddle wheeler vessel.

Settling in forward on the middle deck at well arranged tables with good views much chatter and story telling ensued as we cruise over the calm waters of the Bay of Quinte under threatening skies.

There was no commentary from a PA system so we did not learn much about the area history. Crew members were not able to answer questions. We cruised over the Bay, out under a large road traffic bridge admiring shore line cottages and expensive boats of various shapes and sizes. our group hungry and thirsty enjoyed snacks and

nibbles and shock treatment at the price of bar drinks, Ask Doreen what she paid for a spritzer! There were many other tourists on board this nameless vessel and all were enjoying the outing with us.

After 3 hours of cruising we docked and disembarked having shared a great afternoon in good Probus spirit and friendship.

We then arranged to gather at the Golden Valley restaurant for dinner just west of Trenton. Arriving en masse without reservations we were very well received and looked after and accommodated in a private room where we enjoyed a super dinner from an extensive menu choice. Old sailor Ken on the eve of his 93rd was treated to a large slice of black forest cake with a token candle. Home by nineteen thirty having driven through a tremendous rain storm we all agreed it had been another good Probus event and hope new members will step up and organise more such outings. Thanks Joan and Shirley and the car drivers.

## **Membership Dues**

Please pay your annual dues (\$40 per person) if you haven't already done so. The only August meeting is on the 1<sup>st</sup>. If possible, cheques are preferred.

## **Motions for the General Meeting**

This is to remind you that our 2017 General Meeting will be held on September 19th. If anyone has a motion that would like to raise at the AGM, according to our By-Laws I must have copy of it before our August 1st meeting, so it can be read out at that time.

The proposed motion wording can be sent to me by e-mail ([fionamaarhuis@gmail.com](mailto:fionamaarhuis@gmail.com)) or by surface mail:

### **GOOD NEWS ABOUT “COME FROM AWAY” MUSICAL**

A call from Marilyn at Lakeshore Tours confirmed the following:

#### Come from Away Musical

Date: Wednesday, April 25, 2018. Time: 1:30 pm

Theatre: Royal Alexander Theatre, Toronto, Ontario

Lunch: Hot Lunch at Hot House Café (included) prior to show

Bus: Pick Up “Gilmer Home Hardware” – Time to follow

PRICE: 178.00 each - \$4.00 extra for cancellation insurance if needed. payment due at sign up

Ticket sales are expected to go quickly, so you must sign up now if you want to insure you are on the list. They are giving us only ten days, so if you want to be sure call them asap at 1 800 387-5914 or 905 623-1511

## **Tickets on sale for the Corn Roast at the August 1st meeting.**

Date: Tuesday, August 29th to be held at the Legion Hall & Patio.

Time 4.00 pm to 7.00.

\$10 per person.

This year, in addition to corn, we will be offering both hot dogs and hamburgers.

To help us in purchasing supplies, if you plan on attending, please drop by our desk and let us know whether you would prefer having a hamburger, hot dog (or both).

## **Some thoughts on how to protect your computer**

This will only be available for the email version of the Patter.

Only for the Microsoft Windows operating system, version 7 and later. I would recommend that you update to Windows 10.

I will talk about anti virus software 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are using Window 7 you need a third party anti virus software as Microsoft no longer supports this operating system. Do a google search for Avast or AVG, either one will fill the bill. Do make sure automatic update is turned on.

For Window 8, 8.1 and Windows 10 a third party anti virus is not needed. Microsoft supplies its own anti virus called Windows Defender. I have used this without issue since Windows 8. It's free, effective and part of the Window operating system.

One thing to remember about anti virus software is that there should be only one of these programs active on your computer at once. If you are using a 3<sup>rd</sup> party anti virus you must uninstall it before using another.

Next month, a free program to make sure your programs are up to date.