

Presqu'ile PROBUS Post



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President's Message

I want to thank Dot and the Management Committee (MC) for taking good care of the Club while we were away for 2 weeks. Our plan to enjoy the outdoors at our son's home in Caledon did not work out so well. It was quite cool and damp. We had fun though.

Welcome to Summer FINALLY!

At our July MC meeting we updated our Nomination List. We are still hoping to get 2 secretaries. It would be good to have backup in case of illness or vacation.

There was a question from an Interest Group regarding attendance records for Interest Groups. It is an insurance issue.

No record of attendance - no liability insurance.

Another misunderstanding was a guest who joined an Interest Group without becoming a member of PROBUS first. Hopefully, these dilemmas have been sorted out positively.

A gentle reminder to our Chairpersons is that our fiscal year ends in a couple of weeks and it is time to draw up a new budget. Committee members, please assist your Chair with the task of preparing the new budget.

We have an updated Brochure to introduce prospective new members to our group.

The First Anniversary of our new Club is fast approaching. Mark September 16th on your calendars. We are having a party.

Liz. Riel

VICE PRESIDENT - Dot

I would like to thank the other members of the Nominating Committee, namely Liz Riel and Jean Finkle, for their work in ensuring we have an almost complete Slate of Officers for the coming year. We have one vacancy, and that is for the position of Secretary. In fact, we would like two and possibly share/split duties. If you are interested, please contact one of the above.

Ladies and Gentlemen; drum roll please:

YOUR SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR 2015/16

Executive Body

President	Dot Worobetz
Past President	Liz Riel
Vice-President	David Crouch
Treasurer	Chris Penhall
Secretary	VACANT
*Ex-Officio	Jean Finkle

Committee Chairs

Membership	Fred Smith/Susan Donald
Social	Linda Crouch/Pat Dunn
Programme	Stan McMullin/Bruce Bellefeuille
Newsletter Editor	Nancy Hall
Telephone	Brenda Wyles
House	Carm Riel
Community Liaison	Pat Dunn
Club Historian	Ronda Moran

^{*}Ex-Officio, Non-voting Member



Help!

Secretaries Needed.

Please let one of our Nomination Committee Members know that you'd be interested in helping.

See Jean Finkle, Liz Riel or Dot Worobetz.

SPECIAL INTEREST OR ACTIVITY GROUPS

As the groups have information to pass on, this will be included in the newsletter, i.e. times, dates, places, specifics of all sorts. Thank you to coordinators for keeping our info current.

* ?	Golf - Ladies and Gentlemen		
	July 28th, all welcome.		
o to	Coordinator - David Crouch - djcrouch@hotmail.com		
	This group is OPEN to new members.		
ANGLE	Meet & Eat Dinner Group		
Many Carry	Members advised monthly via email and phone.		
	Coordinators - Jim Kovacs & Sandy Fawcett Kovacs		
	This group is CLOSED to new members.		
2	Lunch Bunch		
	UPCOMING - Wednesday Aug 19 th @Marina Harbourview Cafe		
	Coordinator - Jean Finkle - 613-439-8869		
	This group is OPEN to new members.		
Ž.	Monarchy Group		
	Meets/organizes/attends local events, details as known monthly.		
	Coordinator - Ronda Moran - rondam1959@hotmail.com		
	This group is OPEN to new members.		
	Bridge Group		
BRIDGE	Every other Thursday at 2 p.m.		
FOR ALL	Coordinator - Paul Roth - pcroth131@gmail.com		
~	This group is OPEN to new members.		
	Bowing Club		
47.7°	NO bowling in AUGUST (owner's holiday) First Wednesday of the month @ 1:30 p.m.		
Coordinator - Fred Smith - fred.j.smith@sympatico.ca			
	This group is OPEN to new members.		
international	Themed Potluck - <i>Take Your Tummy Around the World</i>		
(I)	Dines monthly, sign-up and details at PROBUS general meetings.		
	Coordinators - Brenda Wyles bwyles9933@gmail.com & Nancy Hall fancy105@hotmail.com		
U	This group is OPEN to new members.		

SHARE THE WEALTH

The winner of the July draw was Doug Hall. He took home \$33.00. Congratulations Doug!



SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT - Dot/David

Sign up to the August event at Rose Hall Run winery & theatre is now closed, deadline has passed. Congratulations to those who have reserved. Have fun.

Huff Estate winery tour, Wednesday Sept 9th. Tastings, tour, lunch. Prices is \$27, more details will follow as the event is firmed up.

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE REPORT - Stan

Our speaker for the 19^{th} of August will be

Erin Webb who is in charge of the consumer outreach program for Consumer Protection Ontario. This Program is sponsored by the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services.

Consumer Protection Ontario gives presentations designed to help seniors make smart consumer choices, spend wisely and protect their hard-earned money.

In September, we will hear from Rick Conroy, the publisher and editor of the Wellington *Times* newspaper. Rick will discuss the role of the Community Newspaper in today's world.

This is funny - well, I think it is!

Facebook in real life.

This is for those of my older generation who do not really comprehend why Facebook exists.

Presently, I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I go down on the street and tell the passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel, what I have done the night before and what I will do tomorrow night. Then I give them pictures of my family, my dog and me gardening and spending time in my pool. I also listen to their conversations and I tell them I love them.

And it works.

I already have 3 people following me: 2 police officers and a psychiatrist.

MEMBERSHIP – Fred

Birthdays in August

August 1st Bob Burke August 4th Doug Hall



August 15 th Robert Collins	August 8 th	Laetitia de Witt
August 15 th Robert Collins	August 8 th	Daphne Simms
	August 9 th	Vicki LaCrosse
August 18 th Evelyn Turner	August 15 th	Robert Collins
-	August 18 th	Evelyn Turner

FROM THE EDITOR - Nancy

Here I am on my soapbox. Being the Newsletter Editor does have some privilege.

Many of you may already know that I volunteer at Trenton Memorial Hospital (TMH). I suspect some of you do as well. There are a good many volunteers from Brighton. More are needed, but that's a pitch for another day. This editorial is for bigger things.

Because TMH has a spot in my heart and many in the community, I wanted to share with you. I think you will find it interesting. If ever there were a 'time', it is now.

A look at history and the Hospital the people built.

The local branch of the Lions Club came up with the idea in 1943 of building a community hospital in Trenton. The Rotary Club joined the Lions Club in supporting the hospital project and they jointly purchased nine acres of pasture land for \$1,000. The total cost of the hospital project was estimated at \$275,000. \$578,000 was raised within Trenton and the surrounding area between 1943 and 1951.

Then,

In April 1998 the four hospitals of the Quinte region - Belleville, Bancroft, Picton and Trenton - were merged into the single organization known as Quinte Health Care (QHC).

In 1999 a new wing was added to TMH that added an additional 175 beds to our community hospital and 44 patient care rooms.

In 2008 TMH had 14 Physicians, 113 Full time staff, 111 Part time staff, 18 Casual and 8 Temporary staff with over 230 volunteers.

In 2009 TMH lost 30 Acute Care Beds, 4 Special Care beds, and 6 Surgical Care beds. Later in 2009 the QHC Board of Directors was fired and a new board was recruited with no municipal or auxiliary representatives there to ensure full and complete representation from the various communities under the umbrella of QHC.

Since 2009 TMH has consistently, persistently, and continuously seen its services and role whittled down.

WE HAVE A GROUP OF CONCERNED CITIZENS ADVOCATING FOR THE PRESERVATION, PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT OF SERVICES AT TMH. THEY HAVE A PROPOSAL. Please read more at - www.ourtmh.com "Our TMH" - Get involved - Thank you!

COMMUNITY LIAISON - Pat

If you wish to publicize a local not for profit event that might be of interest to fellow PROBUS members please call Pat Dunn at (613) 475-9002, or email the information to padeycakes@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MUSIC IN THE PARK Brighton, Wednesdays: July 29 R&R, Folk/Roots; Aug 5 Cedar Rail, Country/ Rock & Roll; Aug 12 Shout Sisters, Pop/Motown FREE

MUSIC IN THE PARK COLBORNE on Thursdays, free.

CONCERTS BY THE GATES Fridays, July 31 and Aug 21 and Sept 4, near the entrance to Presqu'ile Park, Brighton, 7:30pm, FREE

<u>MEAT DRAWS</u> at Brighton Legion 3pm Saturdays FAMILY FUN DAY Sat July 25 10-2 pm Memorial Park, Brighton. Games, Prizes, Raffles, BBQ, Face painting, etc. <u>Take the grandchildren!</u> All proceeds to Kawasaki Disease Research

HISTORY WEEKEND AT PRESQU'ILE PARK July 31, Aug 1 & 2 Historically based events such as a fashion show, old-fashioned field games, children's boat-building bee, reenactments of a War of 1812 skirmish and a spirit walk.

Civic Holiday in 2015

In 2015 Civic Holiday is on Monday, August 3.

The Civic Holiday is celebrated on the first Monday of August and it's a public holiday in some provinces and territories.

It is known by many names in different provinces and municipalities.

It's called Regatta Day in Newfoundland,
Saskatchewan Day in SK, British Columbia Day
in BC, Natal Day in Nova Scotia and PEI, Simcoe
Day in Toronto, New Brunswick Day in New
Brunswick, Colonel By Day in Ottawa, Heritage
Day in Alberta and Joseph Brant Day in
Burlington, ON. It is called Benjamin Vaughan
day in the City of Vaughan, Ontario.

The Civic Holiday is commonly referred to as the August long weekend. It is probably the busiest day on highways as tens of thousands of families go camping, to cottages etc this weekend.

And now, a little levity!



Followed by some smiling faces:

Tour of Northumberland Waste Facility









And another Smile!

Two elderly ladies were discussing the upcoming dance at the country club. "We're supposed to wear something that matches our husband's hair, so I'm wearing black," said Mrs. Smith. "Oh my," said Mrs. Jones, "I'd better not go."