



**South Muskoka  
Club No 119  
Chartered June 12 2001**



## **May Monthly Newsletter**

<b>Next Meeting:</b>	<b>Where When Time</b>	<b>to be advised to be advised</b>
		9:30AM Socializing and coffee
		10:00AM Meeting starts

### **Meeting Cancelled!**

Following COVID-19 precautionary guidelines.

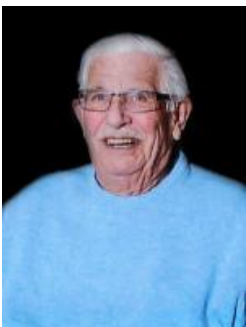
#### **Bios and Passions: Gentle Body Movements using Qi Gong**

**Lee Holden has a video on You Tube. Here is a link**

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/10IFjCuwV-\\_4pQWMY3bpIH6j6RWpeOwjR/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/10IFjCuwV-_4pQWMY3bpIH6j6RWpeOwjR/view?usp=sharing)

If the link does not work go to YouTube and query Lee Holden

#### **Care Bear:**



It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of Bill Barker (Barrie, Ontario), born in Toronto, Ontario, who passed away on April 13, 2020, at the age of 82 . He was loved and cherished by many people including : his parents, Doris Barker and Dr. Harry E. Barker; his wife Penny; his children, Stacey (Franchetto) and Bruce; his grandsons, Christopher, Nicholas, Jackson and Alec; his sister-in-law Susie; and his children-in-law, Dean and Lesley (Marks).

He strongly supported the masonic foundation of improving character and strengthening communities.

He was also a long time member, and strongly supported, Probud of South Muskoka for many years. He will be greatly missed .

Our deepest condolences to his wife Penny and her family.

<https://www.adamsfuneralhome.ca/obituaries/bill-barker/29904/>

Please remember that if you know of a member who might appreciate a word of encouragement, get well wishes, or a condolence message, contact

Cathy Collard 705 646-8848 or [cathy\\_collard@live.ca](mailto:cathy_collard@live.ca)

## **Our President's Message**

Hello Fellow PROBUS Members,

I hope you and your families are well and continuing to follow the guidelines of the health experts and various levels of government. Our family has been in isolation since March 13<sup>th</sup>, apart from needed trips for prescriptions, food, etc.. We have found, as I hope you have as well, ways to communicate which were previously seldom used. As I mentioned in an earlier communication, our Management Committee had its first ZOOM meeting on April 7<sup>th</sup>. It was quite a success. Other online video communications include: GOOGLE Hangouts, Skype, FaceTime (APPLE), FaceBook as well as others.

When we do start back up again, we will concentrate on celebrating that occurrence and use it as a "PROBUS Month" celebration as well. We will likely include the AGM as well, with the new Management Committee taking the reins. I remember at the last AGM, I stated that I was looking forward to my term as President, not knowing just how interesting it was going to be. I have been disappointed to have missed two meetings before COVID-19 and now missing meetings with COVID-19. Feels like I have not done my part, but as some of you know, a lot goes on behind the scenes. It has been a busy and rewarding time so far.

As we continue to be confined to our homes, we may begin to feel the stressors related to loneliness or lack of personal contact. There are many options to deal with such stress and simply searching on the web may provide some resources to help. That said, please remember your fellow PROBUS members are only a phone call away and I am sure, they would love to hear from you. We all need to make ourselves available for each other, so if you get a call, I hope you will stop what you are doing and answer the call with devoted attention.

Another option in dealing with stress is recognizing the "Silver Lining" in any crisis. One such silver lining is the reduced pollution the world is experiencing. It is unprecedented! Residents of Los Angeles can actually see the mountains not far away and the same for those in Nepal. The waters in Venice's canals are clear. And even on the health side, those with respiratory illnesses can breathe somewhat easier. One more would be our Club membership renewal costing \$0 this coming year. Can you see others? Share them if you do.

Well, I have rambled on enough and need to sign off. Take care and Best Wishes,

Paul Kuebler, President  
PROBUS of South Muskoka



## **The Probus Club of South Muskoka's Management Committee Needs You!!**

We are looking for volunteers to join the management committee for 2020-2021. Your participation would be gratefully accepted!!

Positions to be filled include: Vice President, Newsletter, Social Outings Committee, Social Interests Chair. Meetings are usually held the second Tuesday each month beginning at 10:00 a.m. at James Street Place.

Please let Jan Davidson know if you can lend your club 'a year or two' of your input, talents and participation!! You can reach Jan at [davdsn@xplornet.ca](mailto:davdsn@xplornet.ca) or 705-385-8774.

## **Membership**

Good news fellow members. Our executive has agreed that the money we are saving by not being able to run monthly meetings should cover our other expenses for this year. As a result, you will not be getting a friendly call from me asking for your renewal money! There is still a \$30 initiation fee for any new member during this interval. Enjoy!!!



**Petie Thickett  
Membership Chair**

## **Social Outings**

Our treasurer has mailed a refund cheque to each member who paid for an event and or events which have or will not take place.

Ghislaine Laferriere  
Social Outings Chair

Please wear your name badge at all events. Thank you for participating!!!! Ghislaine

## **Special Interest Groups**

A Message from your Special Interests Chairperson

I have been offered a few suggestions that Special Interest Groups could use to connect with each other. Trickster Cards is a way to be able to play card games with other Probus members or your family. Zoom meetings are another good way to get together for a social time, happy hour, or to discuss a movie, a book or a trip. The Investment Club had a very successful Zoom meeting and will continue to meet this way for the next few months. If you can think of ways that members of your Special Interest Group could communicate, please bring your ideas to your Chairperson. The list is included here in the newsletter.

Also remember that even though we are not meeting right now, things will get back to normal or semi normal in the future and we are looking for someone to take over the position of Chairperson for Special Interest Groups. If you are interested, please contact Jan Davidson.

Thanks and stay safe.

Pat Kuebler

## Special Interest Groups

Event & Place	Date & Time	Coordinator
Armchair Travel James St Retirement Residence	<b>Due to the COVID 19 Virus all Special Interest Groups are cancelled for May, June, July and Aug. Hopefully we can start up again in Sept.</b>	Ted Daglish 705-765-0330 <a href="mailto:daglish@muskoka.com">daglish@muskoka.com</a>
Computer Group 503 - 10A Kimberley Ave		Ralph Webbe 705-788-1254 <a href="mailto:ralphwebbe@gmail.com">ralphwebbe@gmail.com</a>
Crafters Circle 34 Meadow Heights Dr		Shirley Stafford 705 646-8949 <a href="mailto:sisathome@outlook.com">sisathome@outlook.com</a>
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Film Buff Group		Kevin McAllindon 705-684-8456 <a href="mailto:kmcallindon1@cogeco.ca">kmcallindon1@cogeco.ca</a>
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History and Current Affairs Nicks Restaurant		Paul Kuebler 416 560-1802 <a href="mailto:paulkueber@icloud.com">paulkueber@icloud.com</a>
Hooked on Books - Nick's Restaurant		Diane O'Hara 705 645-9618 <a href="mailto:dandmohara@hotmail.com">dandmohara@hotmail.com</a>
Investment Club James St. Retirement Residence		David Low 705-646-8798 <a href="mailto:djlow@vianet.ca">djlow@vianet.ca</a>
Movie Night - Norwood Theatre <a href="#">Your Movie Choice</a>		Jan Sharman 705 646-1398 <a href="mailto:janet.sharman@gmail.com">janet.sharman@gmail.com</a>
New & Views Nick's Restaurant		Barb Rigby 705-646-2150 <a href="mailto:brigby@outlook.com">brigby@outlook.com</a>
Probus Games South Muskoka Curling Club		Don & Mildred Edwards 705-646-0013 <a href="mailto:donmil@sympatico.ca">donmil@sympatico.ca</a>
Strolling Club	<b>On Hiatus for the winter</b>	<b>This group needs a co- ordinator</b>



**For more information look up our web sites**  
<https://sites.google.com/site/smprobus/> for our club and  
[www.probus.org](http://www.probus.org) for our national body

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