



**South Muskoka
Club No 119
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February Monthly Newsletter

***Next General Meeting
Feb 2nd, 2022***

10:15 AM Social time

10:30 AM Meeting starts

12:00 PM Social time

This is a Zoom meeting, following COVID-19 precautionary guidelines.



Bio's and Passions February

"Musing of an Airline Pilot's Wife"

by Maggie Vellinga

Come fly with us as Maggie Vellinga takes us around the world as she joins her husband John, an Air Canada pilot, on some of his flights. Together they were

able to see and explore some interesting parts of the world. Maggie will share and entertain us with some of her memories.

February Speaker presented by **Susan Dixon – Partnering Horses with Humans**



Sue Dixon's passion is People and Horses. Many of Sue's clients are private individuals who are attempting to make positive change in their life with the help of the horse. Sue has worked with clients from local services and health associations, assisting clients to set boundaries in their lives and feel empowered. She also works with adult learning programs and does team building and corporate workshops. Her company,

Partnering Horses with Humans, donates sessions to the Season's Centre for grieving children in Simcoe County. Their locations are Sugarfoot Farm in Utterson and Maple Haven Farm in Orillia. Her website is www.equinetherapymuskoka.com.

January's speaker - Linda Acton-Riddle informed our group that she always donates a third of the honorarium to a local animal shelter. She donated money to Aspen Valley Wildlife Sanctuary in the fall after speaking to another Probus group and this time she will donate a cheque to Woodlands Sanctuary near Minden.



UPCOMING SPEAKERS

MARCH - Robotics and AI presented by Don Phillip.

APRIL – Electric Cars by Oliver Kimek

UPCOMING BIO'S

MARCH – TO BE ANNOUNCED

APRIL – TO BE ANNOUNCED

Please join us on Zoom for these very informative and interesting talks.



President's Message

Never in the history of our club has outreach and friendship been more meaningful as we navigate yet another month in the throes of the pandemic. As we anxiously await for the endemic your faithful management team continues to amaze even me with their engaging newsletters, interesting bios and speakers, a website that is continually updated, and although our social engagements have been put on 'pause' once again, they will resume as soon as we are allowed to do so!

February is the month we celebrate 'love'! On any given day we engage in a variety of relationships. From coordinating our day with our spouse, keeping in touch with our children, collaborating with fellow members on committees, even saying hello to our favourite grocery store cashier. Loving relationships sustain us, define us, and keep us healthy. I challenge each of you to join me in letting someone know how much you love them and appreciate them every day this month.

Jan Davidson



Membership News February 2022

Are you tired of staring at your 4 walls and missing Probus comradeship? Join us on Zoom the first Wednesday morning of the month to chat with “real live people” and listen to a bio by one of our members together with an interesting presentation by the speaker of the month. If you’re reluctant to try out zoom on your own, drop in on a friend who is planning on attending and share their screen. If you are already planning on joining us and you know someone who would enjoy listening to our speaker, you can send them our link and they can attend as a guest.

Our membership fee remains still at the bargain price of \$30 to cover our initiation cost. Contact me for an application form. New members are welcome!

We were delighted to have our longstanding member, Bob Kinsman, join us at our January meeting. Bob had moved recently from Manotick near Ottawa to Wawa where his son lives. His son also has a cottage in our area so Bob hopes to be able drop in on us in the summer. I will post his new address for you once I receive it.

Cheers,

**Petie Thickett
Membership Chair
mzpt2th@gmail.com
705-637-0606**



BIO'S AND PASSIONS

What's your bio or passion? What did you do before you retired? Maybe a favourite vacation! A craft or hobby you like to do. Which celebrity did you meet? You get the idea! If you can give us 10 to 15 minutes of your time at the general meetings, please contact our vice president John Mitchell at 705-645-7434 or email John at john.barb40@yahoo.com. He would love to hear from you!



PLEASE NOTE THAT 'SPECIAL INTEREST' REQUIRES A NEW CHAIR!



For information look up our websites

FOR OUR CLUB

<https://drdougie.ca/probus/probus.htm>

<https://sites.google.com/site/smprobus/>

FOR OUR NATIONAL BODY

<https://www.probus.org>

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Special Interest Groups

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL: **ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS** - We meet on the fourth Wednesday of the month from 10:00 to 11:30 am in the Theatre Room at James Street Place. Armchair Travel is for those who are looking for their next destination, reliving a place they have seen or just enjoying seeing other places from the comfort of their armchair. You do not need to be a member of Armchair Travel. If a particular destination interests you or you have a trip you'd like to present, come on out.

Contact Ted Daglish daglish@muskoka.com or 705-765-0330

COMPUTER CLASS: **NEED HELP?** with Email, Microsoft Word, Excel, Photos, Internet or Zoom? Bring your questions February 16th at 11 am (every third Wed), to Ralph Webbe's Computer Question and Answer Class. The class is held over Zoom, so Contact Ralph for a link to the Class. ralphwebbe@gmail.com

DINE AND UNWIND: **ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS** - We are a group of eight who have been meeting to dine (and unwind) for over 10 years. It is an organized potluck with each person assigned a part of the meal and hosting rotated among the members. We usually meet the second Wednesday.

Contact Margaret McLaren @ 705-645-1015 or mpmclaren@sympatico.ca

DYNAMIC DINERS: **ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS** – We are interested in dining and socializing the third Thursday evening of every month at a nice restaurant we agree on.

Contact John Vellinga @ 705-637-0452 or jmvellinga@sympatico.ca

Special Interest Groups (con't)

FILM BUFF GROUP: ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS – Maximum of 10 people meet on the 4th Thursday of the month to share a movie watching experience. Host provides light refreshments and a film.
Contact Kevin McAllindon @ 705-684-8456 or kmcallindon1@cogeco.ca

FRIENDLY FOODIES: ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS – We meet for lunch on the fourth Thursday of the month at 12 noon at a nice restaurant agreed on the previous month.
Contact John Vellinga @ 705-637-0452 or jmvellinga@sympatico.ca

HIKING CLUB: NEW, STARTING SOON - For those who like to hike.
Contact Paul Kuebler @ 416-560-1802 or paulkuebler@icloud.com

HOOKED ON BOOKS: ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS - We tentatively meet on the 3rd Friday of the month at Nick's Restaurant at 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm.
Contact **VACANT, New Coordinator Needed**

INVESTMENT CLUB: Need something to do while at Home? Want to understand more about your Investments? Coordinators Dave Low and Joe Ursano welcome you to join the Investment Club on February 14th at 10 am over ZOOM. Contact Dave Low for more information djlow@vianet.ca

Special Interest Groups (con't)

MOVIE NIGHT: ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS - On the 4th Wednesday of the month. Movie starts at 7:15 p.m. We meet 15 mins. prior to start time. Join Jan Davidson at the Box Office of the Norwood Cinema at 7:00 p.m. to choose your movie & purchase your ticket. Note: We usually go to dinner at a local restaurant before the movie so please rsvp if you'd like to join us.

Contact Jan Davidson @ 705-385-8774 or davdsn@xplornet.ca

NEWS AND VIEWS: ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS – We meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at 9:30 am at Nick's Restaurant.

Contact Barb Rigby @ 705-646-2150 or brigby@outlook.com

PROBUS GAMES: ON HOLD UNTIL COVID 19 ENDS – For people who like to play cards, we meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at South Muskoka Golf and Curling Club from noon to 3:00 pm.

Contact Don & Mildred Edwards @ 705-646-0013 or donmil@sympatico.ca

PLEASE NOTE THAT 'HOOKED ON BOOKS' REQUIRES A NEW CHAIR!



The Social Corner Upcoming Events

With regrets we announce that all 'Social Events' have been cancelled due to COVID 19/OMICRON



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Please note that members, and guests, wishing to attend any 'in person' indoor or outdoor meetings, events or activities, must have received both doses of the Covid vaccine. If by circumstance, or choice, you are not fully vaccinated, you are asked not to attend any of the above noted occasions.

You are to bring a mask to all Probus events, as they are required in certain circumstances.

♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥

CHUCKLES

An older, tired-looking dog wandered into my yard. I could tell from his collar and well-fed belly that he had a home and was well taken care of.. He calmly came over to me, I gave him a few pats on his head; he then followed me into my house, slowly walked down the hall, curled up in the corner and fell asleep.



An hour later, he went to the door, and I let him out. The next day he was back, greeted me in my yard, walked inside and resumed his spot in the hall and again slept for about an hour. This continued off and on for several weeks. Curious I pinned a note to his collar:
I would like to find out who the owner of this wonderful, sweet dog is and ask if you are aware that almost every afternoon your dog comes to my house for a nap.'
The next day he arrived for his nap, with a different note pinned to his collar:

*'He lives in a home with 6 children, 2 under the age of 3 - he's trying to catch up on his sleep.
Can I come with him tomorrow?'*



ABBA Revisited

Thursday, February 10th 7:30 p.m.

**SORRY DUE TO OMICRON THE ABBA REVISITED
SHOW HAS BEEN CANCELLED.**



How to interact e-transfer

1. go to your online banking account and sign in
2. go to interact e-transfer
 - 2.1 add to contacts
Name: probus club of south muskoka
Email: probusclubofsouthmuskoka7@gmail.com
please note the 7 after the club's name
3. go to interact e-transfer
 - 3.1 select contact to send to probus club of south muskoka
 - 3.2 enter amount
 - 3.3 enter security question: the colour of grass
 - 3.4 enter answer: green
 - 3.5 enter message: "reason you are sending money"
 - 3.6 then confirm
4. you will receive an email confirming the receipt of your transaction.

METHOD OF PAYMENT BY CHEQUE OR E-TRANSFER.

CHUCKLES



CARE BEAR



Please remember that if you know of a member who might appreciate a kind word of encouragement, get well wishes, or a condolence message, please let me know. I will send out a card from our Probus Club of South Muskoka that might just help lift the spirit of our fellow member. Please contact me if you know of a member who could use a special 'hug' from all of us.

GINNY MEDLAND 705-385-8774 or
vamedland@hotmail.com



In these isolating times we need more than ever to look out for one another!



Care Bear News

During the month of January a card of 'Congratulations' was sent to fellow member Eva Olsson on her appointment to the Order of Canada.

OKAY!
Light The
candles!



THE BIRTHDAY CORNER

To all those celebrating a birthday in
February,

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND HAVE AN AWESOME
DAY!!**

CHUCKLES



Old age is golden, or so I've heard it said,
But sometimes I wonder, as I crawl into bed,
With my ears in a drawer, my teeth in a cup,
My glasses on the table until I get up.
As sleep dims my vision, I say to myself:
Is there anything else I should lay on the shelf ?
The reason I know my youth is all spent?
Is my get-up-and-go has got up and went!
But, in spite of it all, I'm able to grin
And think of the places my getup has been!

CHUCKLES



Offering ZOOM to all members of South Muskoka

Our Probus Club has a ZOOM account that allows an unlimited number of meetings with no time limit. Only one meeting at a time can occur, but you can have multiple meetings within a day.

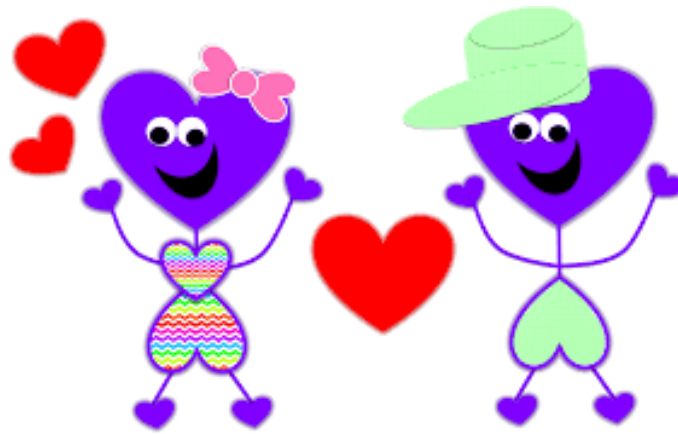
The account is currently used for the General Meetings, Management Committee meetings, the Special Interest Groups (Investment Club, etc.) and the Computer Club.

The Management Committee would like to offer to all members the ability to use our ZOOM account for PROBUS members to gather as they wish. Date and time are flexible, as long as that timing does not conflict with the above-mentioned activities or other previously booked gatherings.

For more information, please contact Paul Kuebler paulkuebler@icloud.com or Ralph Webbe ralphwebbe@gmail.com.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING JAN. 5th

OOPS



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING JAN. 5th



INVESTMENT CLUB JAN. 10TH



COMPUTER CLUB JAN. 19th



CHUCKLES

Canadian shoes



Editor's Report



Thank you, everyone for supplying the jokes. It is so nice to have many helping hands.

I hope you enjoyed this month's newsletter. I would like to hear from you with innovative ideas for our newsletter. If you have a story, a joke, a picture from an outing or your Special Interest Group you would like to share for next month's newsletter please send it to me at chmp49@gmail.com
Colleen

THE BACK TABLE

THE BACK TABLE contains information of upcoming events happening in and around Bracebridge and Muskoka. These events are **Non Probus** that may be of interest to our members. Please send me your notices or flyers.

BRACEBRIDGE EVENT LIST

January 27, 2022 - February 23, 2022

JAN

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Employment Support Workshops

Thursday, January 27, 2022 - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Location: [Online, Bracebridge, Ontario](#)

JAN

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Seniors Let's Get Digital

Wednesday, February 2, 2022 - 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Location: [Online, Bracebridge, Ontario](#)

FEB

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Seniors Let's Get Digital

Wednesday, February 9, 2022 - 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Location: [Online, Bracebridge, Ontario](#)

FEB

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Location, Location, Location: Place as a Character in Your writing with writer, social historian, and true crime expert Joan Renner

Wednesday, February 9, 2022 - 6:50 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Location: [ONLINE EVENT, Bracebridge, Ontario](#)

FEB

16

Seniors Let's Get Digital

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 - 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Location: [Online, Bracebridge, Ontario](#)

FEB

23

Seniors Let's Get Digital

Wednesday, February 23, 2022 - 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Location: [Online, Bracebridge, Ontario](#)

For more detail go to: <https://calendar.bracebridge.ca/>

