

Monthly Newsletter of the **Probus Club of South Muskoka**

July 2010



Club No.119,
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This Month's Meeting: July 13, 2010

Come early for extra social time & coffee. The doors are open at 9:30

Greeters: Barb & Stan Hiseler
Attendance: TBA
Tickets: Lynda Doig
10:00 - 10:20 President's Remarks and announcements
10:20 Heinz Puertsen – Probus Canada
11:05 Speaker: Rebecca Francis – Muskoka Heritage Foundation
12:00 Adjourn

🌳 Followed by the optional summer picnic at Kerr Park. See "Events" for details 🌳

Next Month: August 10, 2010 @ 10:00 A.M.

Greeters: Barb & Stan Hiseler
Speaker: Eva Olsson

Did you know...?

Our membership currently numbers about 185 ... we have room for 15 more. Do you have friends you think would enjoy Probus? Perhaps someone new to the area? Why not invite them to attend a meeting as your guest?

Words of Wit and Wisdom

"When all is said and done, there is usually more said than done."
- Anon

"The only person who is with us our entire life is ourselves. Be ALIVE while you are alive."
- George Carlin (Comedian, 1937 – 2008)



Care Bear:

If you know of anyone who is ill or has suffered bereavement, please call Bob Doig
645-0391

Has your address or e-mail changed?...?

The only way we can stay in touch with each other, send out newsletters and event announcements, etc., is if we know how to reach you. If you're feeling left out, did you happen to move, or get a new e-mail address? Please be sure to let the Membership Chair, Don Nikiforuk, know if anything has changed --- 646-1452 or don.nansi@sympatico.ca.

The newsletter is distributed in advance of each month's meeting to all members by e-mail or post. Please print a copy and bring to the meeting if you wish to take notes, as no extra copies will be available there. Be sure to let the Membership Director know if your address (or any other contact information) has changed or is incorrect.

Send ideas, corrections, complaints, or praise to your Newsletter Editor at pbowker@sympatico.ca or 765-0242
(Your pictures are also welcome ... full-res jpegs please)

At our last meeting...

Annual General Meeting:

About 100 Probus members gathered at Kirrie Glen Golf Club on June 8th to socialize and enjoy coffee and treats before the Annual General Meeting.

President Bob Doig called the meeting to order at 11 AM. Minutes of the 2009 AGM were approved. Bonnie Blain delivered a verbal Treasurer's report. She indicated the club is in good shape and that records have been sent to Jim King who will perform a financial review. Jim was also appointed to perform the same task next year.



Probus members gathering and enjoying the sunny day



Lining up for coffee

Nominations for the 2010-2011 Management Committee were presented to the meeting and the nominees were elected (see below). Incoming President Ron Dyer thanked the outgoing management team for its hard work in the past year, and made a few remarks about some of the changes and improvements to our program in the past year. He also noted the lack of a Vice-President for the current term, and asked members to seriously consider coming forward. The meeting was adjourned at 11:30, and an excellent lunch was enjoyed afterwards.

YOUR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE 2010 – 2011

President:	Ron Dyer	645-0004	the.dyers@sympatico.ca
Vice-President:	- open -		
Secretary:	Carol Ursano	645-8381	cursano@nianet.on.ca
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Member-at-Large:	Beverly Hall	646-9521	revbev@vianet.ca
Past President:	Bob Doig	645-0391	past.tense@sympatico.ca

Speakers Wanted !!

Donna Worth, your new Speakers Chair, asks that if you have any ideas or leads for speakers you pass them along to her. Include some information about name, subject, and contact information. 646-0050 or donbur94@muskoka.com

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

These groups meet more or less regularly to pursue a common interest. While some may be full due to physical constraints, most welcome guests to fill in when regular members are absent. If you are interested in forming an interest group (or if you just wish to share your ideas), please call DIANNE DARRAGH at 765- 0593 or email her at diannedarragh@aol.com

Armchair Travel: Contact ADELE ALLAN at 767-3728 or email her at adelalla@yahoo.com It will resume in October.

Book Club: Contact MARILYN CROFT at 764-0099 or email her at cro55@on.aibn.com We meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 1:30. The book club is taking a summer break and will resume in the fall.

Bowling Club: Contact LYNDA DOIG at 645 0391 or email her at past.tense@sympatico.ca . Bowling will resume in the fall.

Bridge: This group plays with The Bracebridge Probus Club on the last Tuesday of the month. PETER McLAREN at 645 1015 is our contact. PAT DAVIDSON (645-8483), and ELIZABETH McMILLAN (764-1979), are the contacts for the Bracebridge Club. Bridge will resume in the fall.

Bucket List Club: So far 26 members have joined. The first event is being held in August - the Forest Tree Top Walk in Halliburton. This exciting event is already full. Ballooning is planned for September, and upcoming excursions will be announced soon. For more information please call MARGARET McLAREN at 645-1015 .

Cooking/Dining: Please contact:

GRETCHEN WARREN at 687-7765 for the Silver Bullets

ELLEN KING at 645-2305 for the Red Dragons. Please join the guest list.

BETH & DOUG WILSON at 765-0398 for the Decadent Dining Out. Please join the guest list.

DIANNE DARRAGH at 765- 0593 for Dine and Unwind. Please join the guest list.

BILL/PENNY BARKER at 762-5524 for the Prestige Diners. Please join the guest list.

RENA AND ARNO LIEBSTER at 646-8909 for Easy Dining. The Easy Diners meet on the 3rd Thursday of alternate months. Our next dinner is on September 16th at the Liebsters.

THELMA MARRIN at 645 9760 for The Out To Lunch group. Our next luncheon will be on Wed. July 21st at 11:30 at the Regatta in Gravenhurst. Enjoy the market first. Please contact Thelma for more information. Everyone is welcome.

Computers: FREE WORKSHOPS at the Bracebridge Library. Call COLIN BARCLAY at 684 8221 or email cbarclay1@cogeco.ca. Admission is first-come first-served. Please call Cathy Ashby at 645 4171 to register. Seminars will resume in the fall.

Crafter's Circle: Contact ELIZABETH NORTHEY at 645 2057 or email buscentr@sympatico.ca We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 9:30 a.m. Our meeting on Tuesday July 20th will be held at Elizabeth's. New members welcome. Bring a project you are already working on or dig out a half completed one and start working on it again!! Please call ahead.

Hiking and Walking Club: Contact HERWIG and LYNNE SCHROTH at 765-7394 or e-mail herlyn@muskoka.com. Our next hike is on Tuesday August 3rd on the Rose Point Trail in Parry Sound. Meet at the Island Queen dock/parking lot at 9:45 and we will drive together to the trail.

Investment Club: Contact FRED GREEN AT 385-2241. Meetings are on the 2nd Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m. at the Edward Jones Office, 81 Manitoba Street, Bracebridge. New members welcome - no money involved.

Movie Buffs: Contact LYNDA and KEVIN McALLINDON at 684-8456 or email kmcallindon1@cogeco.com We meet on the 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Our group is full at this time, but contact us if you wish to go on the waiting list.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES / EVENTS

Annual Summer Picnic

On July 13th, after the regular meeting at the Rotary Centre, we are heading to Kerr Park for a picnic luncheon presented by Morandin Catering. Of course this is an optional event, but it's not to be missed! Don't worry if the weather is bad ... there is a covered pavilion at Kerr Park. But do bring a folding chair.

There is still lots of room for more to attend, but we do need a count of attendees in advance. Please contact any of Adele Allan, Cathy Collard, or Beth Wilson - or get a cheque to Bonnie Christie ASAP. The cost is \$25 per person.

The Mariposa School of Figure Skating's Annual Charity Gala - Thursday, August 5

There is still space for another 10 people. Sign up soon, or the seats will be released to our partners, the Gravenhurst Probus Club. \$90 includes your bus transportation to Barrie, dinner at the Keg, and the Gala at the Molson Arena, featuring top Canadian and international figure skaters. To reserve your spot, call ADELE ALLAN at 767-3728 or adella@yahoo.com.

Social / Events, continued

Showcase Muskoka Theatre 2010

JAN SHARMAN and ED KAPUSNIAK have arranged a special price for summer theatre in Muskoka. Contact them at ed.kapusniak@gmail.com, and/or get cheques to Bonnie Christie please (include names that you want to sit with at the dinner). Tickets can be picked up at the July 13th Probus meeting. (All prices include HST)

July 23 - *"Married Alive"* - 7:30 PM at the Gravenhurst Op. - \$27.12

August 4 - *"Pool's Paradise"* - sit-down dinner at 6:00 PM catered by Riverwalk - at the Gravenhurst Op - \$47.91

August 15 - The Famous People Players present *"Shake Rattle and Roll"* - 2:00 PM at Algonquin Theatre - \$28.00

August 19 - *"Grace and Glory"* - 7:30 PM at the Gravenhurst Op - \$19.21

Opera at the Rene Caisse

Tuesday August 24th, @ 7:00 p.m. - An evening of Opera excerpts, live on stage, with the Highland Opera Theatre from Haliburton and singers from COC and New York City. Tickets \$35.00

Friday August 27th, @ 7:00 p.m. - An evening of Musical Delights from Broadway, Operetta and Opera, featuring our rising stars of tomorrow from Muskoka. Tickets \$25.00.

Call the theatre for tickets (645-8400) - say you are with the Probus group with Cathy, or call CATHY COLLARD 646-8848.



Your Month At A Glance

July 6	Hike - Arrowhead Provincial Park - meet at 9:45 AM in the parking lot
July 12	Investment Club - 10:00 AM. - Edward Jones Office
July 13	Monthly Probus Meeting - Picnic at Kerr Park afterwards
July 20	Crafter's Circle meets at Elizabeth Northey's at 9:30 AM. Everyone is welcome. Please call ahead. 645 2057
July 21	Out To Lunch - 11:30 AM at The Regatta in Gravenhurst
July 23	<i>"Married Alive"</i> - Gravenhurst Opera at 7:30 PM
August 3	Hiking - Rose Point Trail, Parry Sound. Meet at 9:45 at Island Queen dock
August 4	<i>"Pools Paradise"</i> - Trillium Court at the Opera House at 6:00 PM
August 5	Mariposa School of Figure Skating Gala - Molson Arena, Barrie
August 10	Monthly Probus Meeting - Social time 9:30 AM, Meeting starts at 10:00
August 15	<i>"Shake, Rattle and Roll"</i> - Algonquin Theatre at 2:00 PM
August 19	<i>"Grace and Glory"</i> - Gravenhurst Opera at 7:30 PM
August 24	Opera Gala at the Rene Caisse - 7:00 PM
August 27	Upcoming Opera Stars at the Rene Caisse - 7:00 PM

