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The Probus Club of South Muskoka Monthly Newsletter

The next meeting of Probust South Muskoka

Wednesday December 3rd

9:30 am for socializing and coffee - Meeting begins at 10:00 am

Greeters: David and Jane Low

Christmas fun and games followed by The Olde Tyme Gospel Band



Memorial Park - September 2012

Please Remember to Wear Your Name Tag!

A word from your president...

As I wrote this I was sitting in front of the fireplace, with a glass of wine while watching the snow paint the scenery with purest white. I am so grateful to be here in Muskoka, in the place I want to be, doing the activities I enjoy and appreciating life to the fullest.

My wish is that you too will be celebrating this beautiful season with love in your home, joy in your world and peace in your heart.

As he says in his song, I share Harry Connick Jr.'s opinion that "It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year" Like Harry, most of us love this season with "parties for hosting" and attending. With seasonal songs galore to listen to, sing, or hum. With everyone telling you "Be of good cheer."

It's a time to connect or reconnect with friends. It is a family time of year and my hope for you is that your "Hearts will be glowing when loved ones are near."

Take time to "share again the tales of the glory of Christmas long, long ago."

Susan Daglish



The Search for the red dot

Have you noticed the small red dot on the badges of some peoples' name tags? These signify new Club members. Probus is a friendship club. We are known as a very welcoming Club. Please help keep our reputation intact by taking time to get acquainted with our red dot members.

Last Month...

Apps for your Mobile device

Many thanks to our tech savvy member Joe Ursano who shared a selection of his favourite apps which have helped him both here and abroad. While some require access to a GPS, all are worth checking out.

As requested, here they are. Any questions, contact Joe at Jursano@vianet.ca:

Endomondo	The score
Viber	Seat guru
TuneIn Radio	First Aid - Red Cross
Sky map	Duolingo
IMDB	Bird Songs
Booking.com	Wordweb - Dictionary
WPS Mobile Office	Smart magnifier
Nearby Place Locator	

Halloween Spooktacular

October 30th members of the Probus Clubs of South Muskoka (host club), Muskoka Lakes and Central Muskoka joined together to celebrate Halloween in style at the Old Station Restaurant. And what a celebration it was! There were wonderful costumes, wonderful food, a nasty music quiz, a nastier Halloween quiz, a Halloween costume contest that morphed into a Conga line around the restaurant and lots and lots of fun!!!

Pictured we have:

- Pat Cranfield (a friend of Jan and Ed up from T.O.), Ed Kapusniak and Jan Sharman,
- Barbara Mortensen,
- Susan and Ted Daglish,
- Cathy and Jim Kerr,
- an unrecognizable skeleton, Cathy Collard, Valda Hoar and Shirley Gates,
- a motley crew of Ghouls and Guys doing the aforementioned Conga line.

So dust off your Halloween costumes...this might just become an annual thing!

We would like to thank John Vellinga for helping with the sign up for this event in our absence.

Jan & Ed.





Archivist Needed!

Donna and Bert Worth moved on in 2013. But they donated their record of our Club's activities dating back to when it was founded. These comprise two binders of the activity's announcement posters plus some photos of the event. It would be a shame to let this record lapse.

What about you? Could you take over?

One of the binders will be on display at the Christmas party. Take a look and see what you think.

PROBUS SOUTH MUSKOKA - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Event	Date & Time	Location	Contact
Probus SM meeting	Wednesday December 3 rd 9:30 for 10:00am	Sportsplex	
Christmas Buffet	Wednesday December 3 rd Noon	South Muskoka Curling and Golf Club	Shirley Gates & Cathy Collard 705-5686 s.k.gates@sympatico.ca
Investment	Monday December 8 th 10:00am	James St. Place	David Low 705-6468798 djlow@vianet.ca
Dine & Unwind	2 nd Wednesday	T.B.D.	Dianne Darrah 705-765-0593 diannedar@aol.com
Executive Meeting/ Pot Luck	Tuesday December 9 th Noon	The Daglish's	Susan Daglish

Crafters Circle	3 rd Tuesday	T.B.D.	Elizabeth Northey 705-645-2057 buscentr@sympaico.ca
Out to Lunch Bunch	3 rd Wednesday	T.B.D. Bracebridge	Don/Nansi Nikiforuk 705-788-9962 Don.nansi@sympatico.ca
Film Buff Group	4 th Tuesday	T.B.D.	Lynda/Kevin McAllindon 705-684-8456 kmcallindon1@cogeco.ca

Probus South Muskoka Interest Groups

Shirley Bartlett 705-385-3674 octobersh@hotmail.com

Art Club:

Art Club is on hold until further notice because our instructor is unavailable. Hopefully, it will continue in the new year. Contact **Shirley Bartlett** 705-385-3674, octobersh@hotmail.com to join the mailing list.

Crafter's Circle:

Crafters Circle meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Please call **Elizabeth Northey** at (705) 645 2057 or email buscentr@sympatico.ca if you would like more information or are planning to attend.

Investment Club:

The Investment club meets on the second Monday of each month at 10:00 am. New members welcome – Contact **David Low** 705-646-8798 djlow@vianet.ca for details of meeting location.

Film Buff Group:

We meet on the fourth Thursday of the month in each other's homes to view and discuss interesting films - some new, some classics, some foreign. The host chooses the movie to watch so it's always a surprise!

We are initiating two guest spots per month, when space allows. To sign up for this rotating guest list, call **Lynda and Kevin McAllindon** at (705) 684-8456 or email kmcallindon1@cogeco.ca.

Cooking/Dining: Each of our dining groups has its own approach to the enjoyment of good food and fellowship.

Dine and Unwind: Our casual dining evenings consist of eight regular diners, but we like to seat ten, so we encourage anyone to call us and join us as our guest. We are a fun group who really enjoy company. We usually dine on the second Wednesday of the month. To join the guest list contact **Dianne Darragh** at (705) 765-0593 or diannedar@aol.com.

Prestige Diners: We are six couples who enjoy eating out. We meet once a month if possible, and we chose a different restaurant in Muskoka or North Simcoe County. Each couple chooses an outing and sets the date. For more information and to join our guest list, contact **Bill and Penny Barker** at (705) 762-5524. pennyb@sympatico.ca

Out-to-Lunch Bunch: The Out to Lunch Bunch is open to all members of the South Muskoka Probus Club. On the third Wednesday of each month we have lunch at an area restaurant. The venue for each lunch is usually chosen by those in attendance the previous month. During the nice weather we venture a bit further afield from Bracebridge; still staying in Muskoka. During the winter months, we select local restaurants. If you think you might like to join us on a regular basis or just now and then, the best thing to do is to have your name added to the Out to Lunch Bunch email list. To do that, simply email **Don and Nansi Nikiforuk** at don.nansi@sympatico.ca or call them at 705-788-9962 and you will be added to the group list. You will then be sent email reminders of upcoming lunches. We hope you will consider joining.



Snowbird Dining Out Group Bill Barker is organizing the Probus Florida Dining Out Group which is open to members and friends who are vacationing on Florida's West Coast. If you want to join them please send the following information to Bill Barker bb8@sympatico.ca

1. names of members
2. email address
3. Date and location of your stay....ie South Fort Myers.. Jan. to Apr.

Upcoming Social Events



Christmas Lunch

Wed. December 3rd after the general meeting
Seasonal Buffet at the South Muskoka Curling and Golf Club
\$35 p.p. including taxes and gratuities

Organizers: Cathy Collard & Shirley Gates.



VALENTINE'S DAY LUNCH

Saturday February 14th at noon

One Fifty Five Restaurant

155 Manitoba St. Bracebridge

Menu

Roasted Butternut Squash Soup with Maple Creme Fraiche OR Caesar Salad

Many Layers Beef and Mixed Vegetable Lasagna with Rustic Garlic Bread

OR

Lemon Parsley Buttered White Fish with Chive Potatoes and Green Beans

OR

??? Chicken ???

Crisp Meringue Nest with Freshly Churned Vanilla Bean Ice Cream, Drizzled with Raspberry Coulis OR Hot Apple Crumble with Vanilla Bean Custard

Coffee / Tea

\$35 (includes taxes & grats)

Cheques made out to "Probus Club of South Muskoka" and don't forget to include your menu choice! Sign up at the Dec. or Jan. Probus meetings or by mail to Nansi Nikiforuk, 361 South Fairy Lake Rd., Huntsville, P1H 1R5 (email: don.nansi@sympatico.ca or tel: 705-788-9962).



2015 events in the planning stages..... PLEASE! organizers are needed
(janet.sharman@gmail.com) Call Jan or Ed on 705-646-1398

Sleigh Ride: We hope to be able to offer this in conjunction with Probus Muskoka Lakes in late January.... stay tuned

Valentine's Day Lunch: Sat. February 14 at noon, *155 Restaurant* – 3 course lunch with choice of menu - sign up at the January meeting

St. Patrick's Day Lunch: Tues. March 17 – tba

"Decades" Show & Buffet Lunch at *Deerhurst Resort*: date tba, organizer Nansi Nikiforuk

"Kinky Boots" (smash hit new musical), Princess of Wales Theatre, Toronto
theatre trip to include return transportation, matinee show and dinner: early Summer date tba, organizer Adele Allan

Georgian Bay Boat Cruise: date tba, organizer Elizabeth Hughes

