



### Next Meeting:

Where	Sportsplex
When	Wednesday Dec 6 2017
Time	9:30AM Socializing and coffee
	10:00AM Meeting Begins

Greeters	Jim Kerr
Attendance	Queenie and Alan Reville
Ticket and Dues Takers	Cathy Kerr

**Our December:** Join us for our Mingle & Jingle December 6th.



The Minnettones and the Grandsons of the Pioneers are a mixed choir of approximately 50 members under the very capable direction of Karen Kunda. They are based in the Peninsula Recreation Centre in Minett and in the winter months they are based in Port Carling in the Community Center. Their beautiful sound of mixed harmony resonates with their true joy of performing. This is a concert not to be missed in this joyous festive season.

**Our Speaker January:** Heroes of Climate History Gunars Balodis



The climate history of the planet Earth has been of interest for me for over five decades. As a teenager, I was intrigued by the apparent 100,000 year cycle of the Ice Ages. More recently the issue of Global Warming, apparently linked to CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere, motivated me to read as much as I could about the topics of climate, climate change and climate history. After reading many books and papers over a period of seven years, I was very surprised to find that there is now a logical explanation for the very warm period 250 million years ago that had been documented by geologists – in those very warm times there was no ice at either the north or the south pole. Another issue that I struggled with as a youth was

"After a very warm period for millions of years, why do we now have a time period that has had a series of ice ages?" Again, I was pleased to find that there is a recently proposed logical explanation. More reading revealed that there is now an explanation for the cause of the recent Roman Warm Period, the cold Dark Ages, the Medieval Warm period, the Little Ice Age and the Modern Warm Period. All of this is exciting new research has been quietly published over the very recent period of 1987 – 2013 and apparently has not been noticed by the news media to date.

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

<u>Event &amp; Place</u>	<u>Date &amp; Time</u>	<u>Contact</u>
Investment Club James St. Retirement Residence	Monday, Dec. 11 10 am. to noon	David Low 705-646-8798 <a href="mailto:djlow@vianet.ca">djlow@vianet.ca</a>
Out to Lunch Bunch	cancelled for Dec.	Chris Wilde 705-646-0387 <a href="mailto:cmrwilde@bell.net">cmrwilde@bell.net</a>
Pen Pals	cancelled for Dec.	Susan Daglish 705-765-0330 <a href="mailto:daglish@muskoka.com">daglish@muskoka.com</a>
Probus Cards	cancelled for Dec.	Cathy Collard 705-646-8848 <a href="mailto:cathy_collard@live.ca">cathy_collard@live.ca</a>
Dynamic Diners	cancelled for Dec.	John Vellinga 705-637-0452 <a href="mailto:jmvellinga@sympatico.ca">jmvellinga@sympatico.ca</a>
Hooked on Books	cancelled for Dec	Diane O'Hara 705-645-9618 <a href="mailto:dandmohara@hotmail.com">dandmohara@hotmail.com</a>
News and Views Nick's Restaurant, B.B.	Mon. Dec. 18 9:30 to 11 am.	Barb Rigby 705-646-2150 <a href="mailto:brigby@outlook.com">brigby@outlook.com</a>
Armchair Travel	cancelled for Dec.	Ted Daglish 705-765-0330 <a href="mailto:daglish@muskoka.com">daglish@muskoka.com</a>
Film Buff Group	cancelled for Dec.	Kevin McAllindon 705-684-8456 <a href="mailto:kmcallindon1@cogeco.ca">kmcallindon1@cogeco.ca</a>
Dine and Unwind TBA.	TBA.	Margaret McLaren 705-645-1015 <a href="mailto:mpmclaren@sympatico.ca">mpmclaren@sympatico.ca</a>
Inter Probus Local Theatre Group	cancelled for Dec.	Cathy Kerr 705-706-3475 <a href="mailto:jimcathykerr@yahoo.com">jimcathykerr@yahoo.com</a>



# Halloween 2017



## Social Events

### February 8th:

The Blue Mountain Probus is again hosting a men's curling bonspiel on Thursday February 8<sup>th</sup> at the Collingwood Curling Club. Cost of entering (\$160.00 per team)

We're hoping for increased attendance from our surrounding out of town Probus groups.

Some clubs have a few curling members but not enough to enter a complete team. We have a number of Probus groups in the Collingwood area and a number of individuals that would be willing to fill out teams if you had two or three members that wanted to participate.

You could also look at the bonspiel as a possible new-member opportunity. If you had part of a team and wanted to complete it with local "potential Probus members", that would work as well.

The event has received excellent reviews, with coffee and donuts to start the day, a full hot lunch between games and prizes for all curlers. We have both an early morning (8:30 am draw) and later morning (11:00 am draw) for the 1<sup>st</sup> 8-end game followed by the 6-end game in the afternoon

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**As you may have noticed**, members are bringing their much loved books to Probus when they have finished reading them and leaving them on the table to share with other members and /or picking up books that they would like to read. This is a great idea and the membership seem to like this sharing very much. If you bring books and they are still on the table when the meeting is over would you please ensure that you take them back home with you? If they are left behind one of the management committee members has to pack them up as they cannot be left in the auditorium.

## For more information look up our web sites

[www.smprobust.ca](http://www.smprobust.ca) for our club and

[www.probus.org/canada.htm](http://www.probus.org/canada.htm) for our national body

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