



Probus Club – Peterborough and District Newsletter for March, 2011.



President's Message:

Our monthly meeting on February 2 had to be cancelled due to 20 centimeters of snow that fell on our fair city during the early hours of the morning. Unfortunately, all of us missed a rare opportunity to hear Mr. John MacDonald speak about "Recruiting Doctors for Peterborough". We are hopeful that John will be available to attend one of our meetings in the future to update all of us on this timely and somewhat controversial subject.

The purchase of a digital projector for the club has been completed by Ivo Nightingale. Ivo, who has spent many hours mastering this "technological wonder" gave your executive a brief demonstration at our last management meeting held on February 8th.

Your vice-president – Ralph Smith and your membership chair – Ivo Nightingale, have completed an extensive review of our club's constitution, bylaws and membership application form. Your executive will be discussing these proposed changes at our next management meeting on March 14th after which they will be presented to our club membership for your ratification and endorsement.

Your club treasurer – Marjory Hatton has asked me to remind everyone that if they require a cheque for reimbursement of a club expenditure, they should call Marjory in advance of our next monthly meeting so that she can prepare them prior to the meeting.

It was also decided that guests and visitors from other Probus Clubs who attend one of our monthly meetings should not pay the standard \$2.00 fee for coffee.

Best Regards to All,
Bill Davidson.

Welcome New Members

Since our February meeting had to be cancelled due to the storm we have no new members to report.

Sunshine Committee

Our Sunshine lady has been busy for the past two months. Bea reports in January she has sent Get Well Wishes to Meg Durant who was ill and spent some time in hospital, and to Jim Chaplin who is now recovering nicely from a shoulder replacement.

A Thinking of You went out to our member, Ted MacKay.

In February a Thinking of You was also sent to Marjorie Topping.

If anyone knows of a member in need of a drop of sunshine to know we are thinking of them, please call

Bea Eastcott at 705-742-3690

Quote of the Month

Everything I need to know I learned from my dog.

When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.

Never pass up an opportunity to go for a joyride.

Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.

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Restaurant Review

Many members like to extend the social aspect of the monthly meeting by going out to lunch with friends or alone. We recently had lunch at the fairly new Eastern Chinese Buffet on Lansdowne St. across from Lansdowne Place. We were pleasantly surprised to find a decent buffet with a good selection of dishes. The service was quite sufficient and the price was just right.

Every day the lunch is \$5.99 for seniors and \$6.99 for non-seniors, plus the cost of your choice of a drink.

If you have a favorite lunch place, let the rest of us know. We'll put it in the next newsletter.

Do you have good news to share such as a trip, an anniversary, a new grandchild or any other event you would like to share with the club? Please call me at 705-652-1065 or e-mail carolyn davidson@nexicom.net., I will be glad to print it!

Reminder!

Ticket sales for Spring Fling are selling briskly. March 15th is the last day to purchase a ticket. Otherwise you are on a waiting list. Bring your cheque book to the next meeting. All committee members must buy a ticket. Regretfully only members can buy a ticket unless we have some left over in April.

Club Executive

President

Bill Davidson

Vice President

Ralph Smith

Secretary

Ruth Maloney

Treasurer

Marjory Hatton

Membership

Ivo Nightingale

Immediate Past President

Bunny Shaw

Directors at large

Barbara Howard

Earl Belsey

Speakers

Jean Reid

Helen Harnett

Sunshine

Bea Eastcott

Special Events Coordinator

Lyn Chaplin

Theatre/Movies/Tours Conveyors

Pan Lancaster

Newsletter Editor

Carolyn Davidson

Book Shelf

Rob Howard

Door Greeters

Nancy Wigg-Cummiskey

Helen Merrill

Helen Hartnett

Anne Wisenden

Telephone Committee Coordinator

Margaret Gilpin

Bridge Club

Bea Eastcott & Margaret Thomas

Club Archivist

Lynn Johnstone

Upcoming Speakers

April 6th- Larry Doran.

Lily Lake Solar Farm.

May 4th Lynette Norris

Augmentative & Alternative Communication

June 1st Emily Martin

Lily Lake Musicfest

Thanks to Jean Reid and Helen Hartnett for engaging such great speakers. Keep up the good work.

Input from the membership is still needed to make our newsletter as interesting and as informative as possible. Call 705-652-1065.

2011 Spring Fling

Well Spring Fling is beginning to roll! Several committees have been hard at work since last year.

Pan Lancaster and her Ticket committee have sent out mailings to all the clubs and are starting to receive responses. The interest seems high.

Lynn Johnstone and her decorating committee have been hard at work planning and purchasing items to turn the Evinrude Centre into a beautiful setting.

Earl Belsey and his men's committee have been planning and making a platform to raise the stage to enable everyone to see the stage easier.

Jean Reid and her registration committee are at the planning stage however they have to wait for the response from other clubs before continuing with their work

Marg Gilpin, of Share the Wealth, and Nancy Wigg-Cummisky of Greeters and Hosts are in the process of forming their committees.

Carolyn Davidson and her prize committee have gathered some fabulous prizes from local retailers in the Kawarthas. To date there are 3 Grand Prizes including a 2 night package from Elmhurst's Resort. The retail value of prizes so far exceeds \$2,200.00.

There are some committees that will not be formed and/or active until April

The Mayor of Peterborough, Daryl Bennett, and the Reeve of Smith Ennismore Lakefield, Mary Smith, will be extending a welcome to all our attendees

Please contact me if you have any questions
705 740 0284. Lyn Chaplin

Probus Rendezvous Conference September 13 – 15, 2011.

This year's Probus Rendezvous Conference is being held in Vancouver, B.C. at the luxurious Wall Centre Sheraton Hotel located in the heart of Vancouver from September 13 – 15, 2011.

Those who are interested in attending this year's conference can register online at the conference website, www.probusrendezvous.com

I also have in my possession a four-page program brochure, a registration form and the optional tour pamphlet. Please contact me directly if you would like further information on this year's conference.

I would be happy to attend this year's conference on our club's behalf. I know that I can count on all of you for your financial support to cover the cost of registration, airfare, hotel accommodation, fine dining at gourmet restaurants, limousine and driver and of course, any optional tours that you would like me to take on your behalf. Please make your cheque payable to me....just kidding!

Bill Davidson.

For Your Information

Do you have trouble swallowing pills? Try this: As you swallow turn your head either left or right and the pills will go down more easily. I don't know why this works but it does.

Pan Lancaster

If you have three quarters, four dimes, and four pennies you have \$1.19. You also have the largest amount of money in coins without being able to make change for a dollar.

Celery has negative calories! It takes more calories to eat a piece of celery than the celery has in it to begin with. It's the same with apples.