

Probus Peterborough Papyrus

Probus Club of Peterborough and District

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**Next Club Meeting - 10:.00 a.m.
Wednesday 4th October 2006.**

Jean and I are off to the land of “the little people” in search of the elusive leprechaun who has hidden that mysterious “pot of gold.”

Ruggles Pritchard is our new President and he is joined by Bill Durrant as our Vice President.

The 2005-06 Probus year was busy and exciting. Many of us attended the “Spring Mixer” in Colborne. The barbecue and picnic were a great success and the Christmas dinner with its music and fellowship was fantastic.

Throughout the year there was theatre, bridge, the car rally, shopping trips, some interesting speakers and good conversation. And if you missed a meeting Probus Peterborough Papyrus kept us up to date.

You know it is going to be a good meeting when you arrive at the Naval Club by the warm welcome we all receive at the registration desk. There are always smiles and laughter as we pay our room rental, refreshment fee and buy that share the wealth ticket.

Jean and I will see you in October. We leave you with this Irish blessing
“May the luck of the Irish possess you,
May the devil fly off with your worries,
May God bless you for ever and ever.”

Charles

MEMBERSHIP

Membership dues for 2006/07 are due.

If you have not already renewed, please see Treasurer Bob Fanning **today with your \$25** per member or mail him your cheque this week.

Currently eleven people have submitted applications forms and are on a waiting list to join this club.

Should a current member decide not to renew his or her membership, let Ivo Nightingale or Bob Fanning know so the Management Committee can activate some or all of these new membership applications

Annual General Meeting

The Nomination Committee presents the following slate of candidates for election to the Executive Committee for 2006/07

President - Ruggles Pritchard
Vice President - Bill Durrant
Pat President - Charles Burge
Treasurer – Bob Fanning
Secretary – Vacant

Barb Howard has kindly agreed to take the minutes for today's meeting.

Probus Centre-Canada Inc.

Beth Hickerson from the **Ancaster Probus Club** is the current **President of Probus Centre Canada Inc.** In her June Newsletter she sends greetings to all 23,000 Probus members in the 178 Probus Clubs across Canada. Her goal is to top 200 clubs by the end of 2006.

As our club's waiting list is likely to continue to grow, perhaps this club should consider sponsoring a second Probus Club in this area.

Any volunteers willing to undertake such a project should contact a member of the incoming club executive.

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

Once again the main summer activities were the July club BBQ and August pot luck picnic in the park at the zoo.

The weather cooperated and both events were well attended and a tremendous success primarily due to **Mae Smith's** superb coordination. Thank you Mae for your hard work, numerous phone calls and the time you give to the club organizing these culinary extravaganzas. Christmas lunch is not far off!

Check out the club website www.probuspeterborough.org for pictures taken at the BBQ and picnic. You may appear in them!



Enjoying the fellowship at the BBQ
L-R Margaret Thomas, Ivo Nightingale, Marjory Hatton, Nancy Wigg-Cummisky, Jean Pierce, Catherine Allen

UP-COMING ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

Toyota Plant Tour

Tuesday 26th September Includes coach, motorized tram around the plant , smorgasbord lunch

If you booked and paid your money to **Cardinal Coach Tours** (1-877-343-7773) you should have received confirmation and a brochure with details. Coach departs Memorial Centre, west parking lot behind the Gymnastics building at 8:00 a.m. Please try to be there at 7:45 for boarding. The coach should return around 8:45 p.m. Reminder - Visitors must wear shoes, not sandals, and trousers not skirts for the ladies. You will be issued a lab coat to wear during the tour. No cameras will be permitted during the plant tour.

Car Rally Wednesday 11th October –

There are a few more people wanting to participate on the rally than can be accommodated at the lunch destination. These names are on a waiting list pending someone who had signed up dropping out, or replacing a member who has not paid up by the end of today's meeting. If you have not already paid Alex, cash or a cheque (made payable to Alex Lawrason) must be received at this morning's meeting as Alex picks up the tab for lunch at the surprise destination and he does not want to be out of pocket.

This year, to facilitate the large number of participants, there will be two starting locations. Check the posted lists for your car number, occupants, starting place and time.

RENDEZVOUS 2008

Probus Canada Inc along with the **Probus Clubs of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island** will be hosting the 2nd Rendezvous in the Fundy City of St John, New Brunswick September 25th to 27th 2008. If you have never visited the Maritimes this would be an excellent opportunity to enjoy the fun and fellowship of Probus members from across Canada.

The Rendezvous organizing committee has prepared a survey to ascertain preferences for a wide variety of activities and to obtain an indication of numbers likely to attend.

Ivo Nightingale has offered to be the clubs liaison with the Rendezvous Committee. If you think you might be interested in attending, ask Ivo for a copy of the survey.



GUEST SPEAKERS .

September 6th Terry Hawkins on topic of milk bottles.

October 4th Peter Mavelosky Professor at Fleming College

November 1st To be confirmed

December 6th Christmas Lunch

THE BOOKSHELF



No submissions received by editor this month

BRIDGE GROUP

Marg Flemming has distributed the schedule to members signed up for this activity and play is underway. Have a great season.

TELEPHONE COMMITTEE

While there has not been a big call for phoning, in the event of inclement weather or important information the management committee wishes to communicate to members between meetings, the following have offered to serve on this committee.

Audrey Thornton (coordinator)
Elaine Correll
Margaret Gilpin
Muriel McEwen
Betty Pritchard
Betty Sheehan
Marjorie Topping

With the number of new members who have joined the club over the past year this committee could use an additional two members to keep the number of calls for each committee member down to around 10 homes.

Contact Audrey Thornton or Ivo Nightingale to volunteer to serve on this committee.

Club Constitution and Bylaws

The revised Constitution and Bylaws approved by the club members at the June meeting will be distributed to all members along with the 2006/07 **club membership list** (if ready for printing) at the October meeting.

This is an advance notice that, also being distributed with this package, will be a **Website Information Consent Form**. With the privacy legislation/laws it behooves the club to safe guard member's personal information or at least obtain their consent to include certain information on the web site.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Two Doilies

As a new bride, Aunt Edna moved into the small home on her husband's ranch. She put a shoebox on a shelf in her closet and asked her husband never to touch it.

For 50 years Uncle Jack left the box alone, until Aunt Edna was old and dying.

One day when he was putting their affairs in order, he found the box again and though it might hold something important.

Opening it, he found two doilies and \$82,500 in cash. He took the box to her and asked about the contents. "My mother gave me that box the day we were married," she explained. "She told me to make a doily to help ease my frustrations every time I got mad at you."

Uncle Jack was very touched that in 50 years she'd only been mad at him twice. "What's the \$82,500 for?" he asked.

"Oh, well that's the money I've made selling the doilies."