



The Beacon



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It is indeed great to be back. I saw and spoke with so many friends at our meeting on 8th April that I forgot about the weather, and simply enjoyed the warmth of your welcome home greetings. I would thank Ken Birch and the remainder of our executive who filled in for those of us who “snow birded” it, and allowed me to return with a good idea of where we are, and where we are going.

Congratulations to Sheila who arranged for our guest speaker of 7th April, Jeremy Bertrand of the Ministry of finance. Jeremy gave us some great thoughts and tips on how to claim that to which we are entitled by the different tax acts. We are certainly looking forward to our Anniversary meeting of 22nd April that will see us “parade” our spring bonnets and hats. All shapes and sizes, let your imagination run wild, prizes for both ladies and gents. I am informed that as of 16th April we already have 128 signed up, so this augers well for a large and boisterous gathering.

Our recent management committee (MC) meeting discussed a number of issues, not the least of which is the retirement of some members of the executive. Now is the time to start thinking about how you might get more involved next year. Our past president Doreen should be contacted as the head of the executive recruiting committee. So, get involved to make new good friends on the different committees and put your ideas into action.

Our telephone member Sylvia, showed the management committee the new greeting, condolence and get well cards that she has arranged for through Willow publishing. Remember we cannot send out cards if we do not know the situation. If you hear of any member for whom a card might be appropriate, please let someone on the MC know

You are reminded that the major business item on 27th May will be the By Laws. It is essential that member input has been received and reviewed by then. Indeed discussion on the 27th will be restricted to changes accepted by the MC, and to questions of clarification. It is stressed that past president, Doreen, has managed the project through a number of drafts over the past year and a half with expert, and other advice from the executive. (*By laws attached, see page 3.*)

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PROBUS SOCIAL NEWS

Tuesday, June 2, 2015. Spring Extravaganza at the Keeler Centre in Colbourne with Lieutenant-General, The Honourable Romeo Dallaire". Cost of \$35 per person includes a full lunch. Almost 90 sold! We currently have a waiting list.

June 23/24, 2015. We have been invited by the PROBUS Club of Belleville to join them on a bus trip to Stratford to see *Carousel* and *The Diary of Ann Frank*. Cost is \$350 per person. For more information and/or to book please call Clare Westhauser at 613-968-3172.

Wednesday, July 8, 2015. Picnic & Golf Day at Pine Ridge.

Thursday, July 17, 2015. 3-hour paddle boat cruise on the Bay of Quinte out of Trenton. 40 tickets available at \$35 per person. Snack and cash bar. *Today is the last day to purchase tickets.*

Sunday, August 9, 2015. *Singing in the Rain* at the Capitol Theatre in Port Hope with lunch at the Railside Restaurant. Lunch and Show \$55.

August 1/2, 2015. Highland Games in Maxville – sign up sheet available to determine interest.

August or September. Investigating lunch at the Devonshire Inn and tour of the County.

September. Applefest Parade – a chance to wear your newly purchased Probus shirt! Also possible cruise from Peterborough.

Friday, September 25, 2015. Car Rally.

Wednesday, October 7, 2015. Oktoberfest.

November. Loyalist lunches – dates and cost to be determined.

Friday, December 4, 2015. Christmas Party at Timber Ridge Golf & Country Club with the *Reasons*.

Wednesday, December 10, 2015. Christmas Social.

PROGRAM

TODAY – Wednesday, April 22, 2015 - 12th Anniversary Luncheon with a judged Spring Hat Parade. There will be a prize for each of the best man's and woman's hat!

Wednesday, May 13, 2015. Peter Alker will talk about the Friends of Presqu'ile.

Wednesday, May 27, 2015. Mary Linnett will talk about Dragon Boating, its history and current activities.

BRIGHTON PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS

Bid Euchre

New Members welcome

Every 1st and 3rd Monday 1:30pm

Anglican Church Hall

Diane Frye 905-355-2307

The Golden Girls

1st Wednesday each month at 1:00-3:00pm

Downstairs at the Legion

Betty McGill-Down 613-475-0999

Single Diners* (New members welcome. Must be single and a member of the Brighton PROBUS Club.)

Please contact *Helen Anthony* 613-475-1304 or *Marion McIlveen* 613-475-2202 if you are interested in joining the group for a social time and a meal.

PROBUS GOLF

Finally we can talk "Golf"! Our golf schedule for the first three months is attached with this newsletter. We would like to invite new golfers to our group as well as those who are rusty – just try us out!

Dave and Lee will be manning the golf table at the April 22nd general meeting with several sign up sheets available.

At our golf games we are usually able to give away gently used balls. So if you have a few found balls and are willing to donate them to us, then we'd be happy to accept them.

See you on the golf course!

Dave & Lee Farmes (613-475-3165)

DRAFT BYLAWS ATTACHED

Over the past year, the Club's bylaws have been discussed resulting in the Management Committee (MC) deciding to rewrite these bylaws. A new set has now been drafted, discussed and passed by the MC. They are included as an attachment to this issue of the Beacon.

At the May 27th meeting, these bylaws will be on the business agenda prior to our guest speaker. Those members that wish something clarified should submit questions to any member of the MC in writing prior to the May 21st management meeting. This will allow the MC to review any concerns and provide a clear answer May 27th.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

A few more volunteers are need to help out membership at the front desk. Here is an excellent opportunity to meet and greet all our members. Please contact Mary Lou.

A GENTLE REMINDER!

Please help to avoid line ups at the front desk by wearing your name tag and identifying yourself to the volunteer. Thank you!

PROBUS CLOTHING

Just in time for the golf season Probus clothing will again be on sale at the first meeting in May (13th) – there are golf shirts, denim shirts, caps and hats, and more!

ONTARIO SENIOR GAMES 2015

The Ontario Senior Games for our region take place between May 20 and June 19. For further information go to their web site at: <http://www.ontarioseniorgames.ca/12> You can print out registration forms from the web site or contact PROBUS member Anne Knop at 613-439-8778 or e-mail her at anneknop@cogeco.ca and she will get a registration form to you. She will also answer any questions you may have.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

If you have a community event that you wish to be announced at PROBUS meetings, please contact Rose ahead of time at 475-2665.

BRIGHTON BARN THEATRE

Farce of Nature

Written by **Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope and Jamie Wooten**

Directed by **Doug Phelan**

Evening Performances at 8:00 pm

April 23, 24, 25, 30 □ May 2

Matinee Performances at 2:00 pm

April 19, 26 May 3

Laughter increases by the minute in this Southern-fried farce. Spend an outrageously funny day with the Wilburn family of Mayhew Arkansas as they try to save their fishing lodge from the likes of gangsters, love-starved females, jealous husbands, ruthless corporate executives, and a cranky senior citizen packing heat. In the crazy romp that ensues, they all hide, lie and chase one another throughout the lodge. By the chaotic climax of this one remarkable day everyone changes in surprising ways. This is a laugh-'til-your-sides-ache' Jones Hope Wooten Comedy!

For tickets call 613-475-2144

90th YEARS OF LAWN BOWLING!

The Brighton Lawn Bowling and Croquet Club is celebrating its 90th anniversary on Saturday 30th May from 1 to 4 pm.

They are having a yard sale on Saturday, May 16 from 8:00am to 2:00pm. This is a fund raiser for their 90th anniversary event. If you have any yard sale articles that you would like to donate to the Club, please contact Linda Barker at 475-0124 for information. She will house the articles if you want her to do so.

ANNUAL BRIDGE/EUCHRE LUNCHEON & CARDS

in support of the Stephen Lewis Foundation
& Apple Route Grannies

Friday, May 8, 2015

12:00-3:30pm

Trinity St. Andrew's Community Hall

Find a foursome, make up a table, bring
cards \$20 per person.

Gathering 12 noon. Lunch 12:30pm. Cards
1:15-3:30pm.

To register and reserve table please call
Gayle at 475-5260.

Purina Walk for Dog Guides

The Brighton Lions Club will host this walk, a fundraiser for the Dog Guide Training School in Oakville, on Saturday, May 30. Registration starts at 8:15am and the walk itself begins at 9:00am. The start is at Memory Junction; the route is about 2 kilometers long. Water will be available along the route. Both dogs and walks will be given a treat at the end of the walk.

Pledge sheets are available at several locations around town or by calling Lion Hugh at 613-475-0346 or Lion Harvey at 613-475-1413.



Meet Peter Brotherhood
of Brotherhood Tours

Peter will show us how to have
many interesting tours right in our
own area

No need to travel afar

Visit the many wonderful sites

In Prince Edward County

and Northumberland County

Vacation "at home in our region"

TOURS & VACATIONS IN OUR BACKYARD!

Time-Out Tea Time

Meets Monday, May 11th, 2015 at 10 am—noon

Trinity-St. Andrew's United Church, Community Centre

**Corner of Chapel and Prince Edward Streets, Brighton*

All ladies & gentlemen welcome, free, wheelchair accessible

For more information, call Jean Finkle 613-439-8869

Next program: Monday, June 15th, 2015



May 2015

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
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3	4 Bid Euchre 1:30pm	5	6 Golden Girls 1:00pm	7	8	9
10	11	12	13 Probus General Meeting 10:00am <i>Peter Alker</i> <i>Friends of Presqu'ile</i>	14	15	16
17	18 Bid Euchre 1:30pm	19	20	21 Management Meeting 9:30am	22	23
24/31	25	26	27 Probus General Meeting 10:00am & By Laws <i>Mary Linnett</i> <i>Dragon Boating</i>	28	29	30