



APPIES & DRINKS

Appies and Drinks was held at Marilynn Dunne's home on Spetember 30th No pictures as everyone was having too good a time.

LUNCH BUNCH

The lunch bunch crew met at CJ's in Cobourg on Sept 22nd for lunch. No picture as everyone was having too good a time.

Next lunch date Nov 24th.

PUB NIGHT

The usual Pub group met at Turtle Johns on Tuesday Sept 27 a different location than has been the case. No pictures available again having too much fun.

Special Reminder Nov 10th
Meeting is at the Ruth Clarke
Centre

Your Probud Calendar

Oct. 12	Drive & Dine – 9:30 AM at Metro parking lot and leave at 10:00 am. Car pooling available. Cost \$20 includes lunch. Contact: Kathy @ 885-4239
Oct. 13	Probud Meeting – 9:30 AM at the Port Hope Rec. Ctr. Speaker: "Rum Runners" by Dan Buchanan, author, history buff & genealogist.
Oct 18	Euchre 1:30 to 4:00 PM at the Ruth Clarke Centre. Meet every other Tuesday
Oct 19	Rovers La Rosa in Whitby @ 6:00pm. Contact Michelle Langevin b-m-j@sympatico.ca
Oct 25	Pub Night TBA
Oct. 27	Probud Meeting – 9:30 AM at the Port Hope Rec. Ctr. Speaker: Lisa Graham from the Salvation Army.
Nov 3	Coach to Aga Khan Museum in Toronto Departure 9:15 from Metro parking lot \$50 pp includes coach, admission to museum and 2 guided tours - one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Light lunch can be purchased on site or places available to eat your own brown bag lunch
Nov 10	Probud Meeting 9:30 AM at the Ruth Clarke Centre. Trivia Day
Nov 24	TBA
Dec 1	Christmas Party Details to follow



Sign up for many of the above events at our sign-up table

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 1st AGM of our Club took place on September 4, 2008. It is interesting to note that presiding over this initial meeting was

- Hugh Parker (President)
- Kathy Wallace (a committee chair)
- George Grimes (a committee chair)
- Betty & Gary Curtis (both committee chairs)

These individuals continue as members of our Club today.

In fact 44 of our current members today were with the club at its inception in September 2007.

President's Report

President Bob Gibson convened the meeting after Breakfast and mentioned that there were just under 80 members present today. Our Club has 112 members with more to come.

President Bob then gave a recap of his year as President and then conducted the business of the AGM.



Wine Tour To Prince Edward County

AGM Guest Speaker Ted Staunton

He began writing while a student at the University of Toronto.

Ted took the podium and thanked **Ganaraska Valley Probus Club** for inviting him. His topic was "**Happy Accidents: Stumbling Into a Creative Career**". He is a resident of the Municipality of Port Hope and the author of over 40 books and is also a teacher/speaker/performer who now divides his time between writing and a busy schedule as a speaker, workshop leader, story teller and, when not writing, a musical performer for "Maple Leaf Champions Jug Band". He wrote his first book "Revenge of the Puddleman" in 1983 when a student at U of T and accomplished it in one weekend. He mentioned that he is an author but is not classified as a writer. Ted writes to appeal to all ages and shared stories of his presentations to young elementary school children. He said that stories are always around us and he uses this as the base of his storytelling. He keeps notebooks and written bits of information of each day's events prior to retiring for the evening. He also keeps excerpts from news clippings as a possible basis for real life events. He writes to share so that people of all ages can enjoy.



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SEPTEMBER WINE TOUR

In September, our group of 58 adventurers took off for a day of exploring in Prince Edward County's wine country. The first stop was at the County Cider Company where we tasted different locally produced ciders - pear, peach, apple - enjoyed a magnificent view and grape picking in their vineyards.

A visit to Waupoos Winery provided a tour, tastings and a delicious lunch comprised of locally produced food. At the Artisan Cheese Company we tasted cheese all made from goats' milk coming directly from Quebec. We ended our day with dessert in Bloomsfield with homemade ice cream!

After eating and drinking our way through the County we headed back to Port Hope.



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SEPT 22 MEETING

Rhonda Cunningham was the Guest Speaker for this meeting

Blessed is just one of the words Rhonda would use to describe how she feels about her career in healthcare philanthropy.

One item mentioned by Rhonda is how little (approx. 5%) the government contributes to hospital equipment hence the need for foundations such as the one that Rhonda spearheads.

Rhonda joined the Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation in September, 1995 and was appointed as the Executive Director in 1997. For several years she was a "one-person" shop dealing with all spectrums of running the organization. Her tasks included opening the mail, generating donation receipts and thank you letters, preparing the financials, developing the annual plan, supporting the Board of Directors and representing the Foundation to the public. In a nutshell, she did it all. Over the past two decades, the organization has evolved and now employs four (4) full-time staff. Rhonda has been at the helm of Northumberland Hills Hospital Foundation almost since its inception and together, both she and the organization have grown.

To date (2016), she has helped raise over \$40 million in support of the Northumberland Hills Hospital. This includes a successful capital campaign of \$15.6 million to build and equip a new hospital for Northumberland County.

Throughout her career, Rhonda has been a mentor to many and a leader within her field. She has served as Chair of Membership followed by a two-year term as Chair of Education for AHP Canada.

She has extensive experience serving her community as a volunteer, most notably with Trinity United Church, the Cobourg Community Centre, Habitat for Humanity Women Build and in her role as founder of the Lakeshore Bullets Sledge Hockey Association. Rhonda is a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) and was awarded her Fellows designation from the Association of Healthcare Philanthropy in 2011.

SHARE THE WEALTH WINNERS



Sept 8 Sherry LeBlanc \$80.00
Sept 22 Don Newington \$38.50

October/November CATERERS

Oct. 13
Captain: Betty Curtis & Elaine Simmons
Helpers: Janet Stillworth
Barb & Liam O'Kane

Oct 27
Captain: Steve Snell & Dorothy Giddings
Helpers: Yvonne & Glen Workman

Nov 10
Captain: Diane Haynes
Helpers: Don & Ruth Newington

Nov 24
Captain: Donna McMillian
Helpers: Liz Linton & Joan Little

"Step Up to the Plate"

*Volunteers are needed to help set up
refreshments at our meetings.*

PS – Anyone and everyone can do this!

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