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President

Bob Robertson

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At the Annual General Meeting on October 17, 2018 Rose Wood passed the gavel over to Bob Robertson who is the new president of the Northshore Probus club. We thank Rose for her dedicated service over the years and look forward to her wise counsel as Past President.

President's Message

I want to welcome existing members, new members, and visitors, to another great year in the activities of The Northshore Probus Club.

We're starting off this fiscal year with some new faces in leadership roles, and fortunately many other folks continuing in their important club positions.

It is the dedication of those who have served in many capacities, some who have already done a lot for the club, but are always ready to step in and help when the need arises, that will continue to keep our club functioning well.

Some folks escape for the south or somewhere warmer when the cold winter winds blow here, but you can step up and help when you see an opportunity to do so, before you go and again when you return.

Bob Robertson



Getting Away From The Crowds

Our guest, Lee Wakelin was our presenter at the Probus meeting of Oct. 19.

Lee is a retired educator, with experience spanning forty years of classroom (K. to Gr. 11), or lecture halls (including Queens U.) and in three different countries. She is now an avid, and serious hiker and cyclist, having enjoyed outings to numerous foreign countries. Her presentation today, took us on a pictorial stroll along the South West Coast Path in Cornwall.

Cornwall, in the southwest of England, is of low population density but a high traffic tourist county. The t.v. series Poldark adds to its mystique. Alexander Kent's Bolitho series is based here. Its culinary delights of Cornish pasties, a variety of fish dishes, and the scones, jams and clotted creams add to its charm. For the enthusiasts, it is a mecca for sailors and surfers.

The U.K. is noted for a series of well maintained National Trust hiking trails. Some of the notables include the Pennine Way, Hadrians Wall, the moors of the Yorkshire Dales, and the Cleveland Way. The South West Coast Path is 640 miles of amazing beauty and is the longest trail in the U.K. Lee managed about 300 miles focusing on its flora, fauna and wandering sheep and one bull. She emphasized the wild side, avoiding tourist areas and enjoying tranquility, exotic geological formations and far off vistas.

The Path begins at the small village of Bost-castle midway up the Atlantic coast south of Exmoor National Park. In sections, it hugs the edge of the cliff, at times the drop to the ocean floor is 700 feet. It rises and falls and

requires a lot of climbing. Walking sticks were great aids. Heading south, a trip to Tintagel Castle was a must. Tintagel was where King Arthur reputably held court and Merlin's ghost adds to its mystic atmosphere.



The photographic tour continued on to Land's End with references to communities of Barnstable, Plymouth Falmouth, St, Ives, Torquay and Poole on the Channel side. Lee's enthusiasm for hiking in general and the S.W. coast trail in particular was self evident and an inspiration to us all. She was thanked by Carol Lawless.

As an aside, the Cornwall area in particular was a vibrant mining and quarry area well back to the middle ages. One of the early skills required was that of flint making. It lasted from the pre-iron age to the last of the flint lock rifles. The skill was called knaping and the flint maker was a knapper. Just a little bit of history for your enlightenment.

Harry Knapper





UPCOMING SPEAKERS

The speaker for Nov. 7 is Dr. Mukesh Bhargava. His topic is Navigating Health Care. He is Chief of Staff at NHH

Drinks and Appies for December

Hosts Dawn & Keith Simpson

Date and time TBA





The speakers committee is looking for a leader, a chairperson to help them organize their task. If you think you could help in this regard, let a member of the management team know



Salvation Army is looking for volunteers for the Christmas Kettle.

You can either directly contact Rae Joseph by phone 905-372-3832 ext. 25 or by email: raelynn joseph@can.salvationarmy.org

There will be a sign up list available at the next meeting.



The Northshore Probus annual fundraising Bake and Craft sale will be held the second meeting of November, Wednesday the 21st. We welcome contributions such as cakes, pies, muffins, fruit loaves, cookies, jams, jellies and preserves as well as excess produce from your garden. Come out



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10 Year Pins Presented







Come From Away Sunday, March 3, 2019 \$187.00 - will still take names for the waiting list



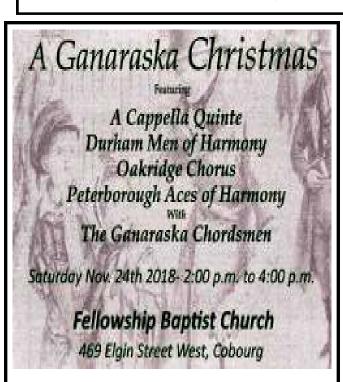
Handel's **Messiah**

Oriana Singers of Northumberland present The Handel's Messiah November 24,2018, Trinity United Church, Cobourg, 7:30 pm. The choir will be joined by Agnes Zsigovics, Soprano; Laura Pudwell, Alto; Ryan Downey, Tenor; and Geoffrey Sirett, Bass, for this beloved sacred presentation. In addition, a chamber orchestra will unite with the choir's masterful accompanist, Robert Grandy.

Tickets available from Choir members, Burnham Family Farm Market and Victoria Hall* *handling fee. Advance Tickets - Adults \$30.00 Seniors \$27 Students \$10.00

At the Door Adults and Seniors \$30.00 Students \$10.00

Vera Kalisz and/or Judi Curtis may have tickets at the next meeting.



Tickets: Adults \$15 Students \$10 Peter Chrisomalis will have tickets at the next two meetings

Northshore is Involved

Our members do some incredible things. On Saturday October 20th the Baltimore Rec Center was packed with 200 people to raise money for Hospice. Art and Yvonne Seymour were the force behind this event. Many Probus members attended and many Probus members helped set up the day before. The better part of \$10,000 was raised for the building fund. Hospice will certainly benefit some of us as we go through this journey of life.

The Cobourg Cenotaph was repaired some years ago using some iron bolts that were rusting with the rust running into the inscription on the monument. A conversation ensued between Doug Weldon and Shane Maclean. Shane, a Legion member followed this up which led to these bolts being replaced with stainless steel ones. The inscription was cleaned and no further deterioration should occur. Check this out on November 11th.

How many ways does Probus, and connections between Probus members, go to make our town a better place to live? Send in some more stories.

Doug Weldon



Drive and Dine

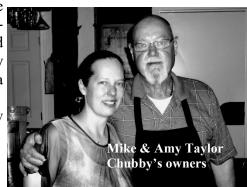
What a great turnout for this year's PROBUS Northshore Drive and Dine or what's commonly called our Car Rally. We met at the Lion's Centre where 24 vehicles formed a line to pick up their booklets and bail-out envelopes. Exit times were staggered so that the drivers could enjoy the scenery without worrying about who was in front or behind them.

The Autumn colours were evident along the two-hour route and the rain held off making the run quite enjoyable. Except for one wrong turn (Shirley Duncan) no one got lost. The secret destination, of course, was Chubby's Restaurant in Hoard's Station, Campbellford. The three course meal was good home cooking consisting of soup, salads, roast beef and chicken with mashed potatoes, Brussel sprouts, gravy and horse radish. Yum!

Three cars answered the questionnaire correctly for a total of twelve gift-card winners. The "trick" question was a reference to the Trent-Severn Waterway not the Trent River. (Ah!) David Hobart proved he knew the history of the area and won the "bonus" prize. A lovely drive in the country! A good meal and good fellowship! What a prelude to a Thanksgiving weekend!

{editor's note:{Thank to **Roslynne**, **John Egberts and Shirley Duncan** for organizing this enjoyable event.}

Roslynne Cooke, Event Coordinator









Happy Birthday Northshore

Jamie Doolittle, District Representative congratulated the Northshore Club on their 15th Anniversary and presented a letter of congratulations from Bob Boone, Probus Canada President.





Northumberland's Cameco Capitol Arts Centre



The Capitol Arts Centre in Port Hope has come into fruition as one of the leading performing arts venues in our province.It has achieved recognition nationally and internationally for its ability to be innovative and exciting, particularly by using newer approaches in technological adaptations. Its General manager and Artistic Director returned to North Shore Probus to bring us more exciting news about the impact the centre has on the performing arts scene and on our county.

Antonio Sarmiento, born in Bogata Colombia, with early education in three continents, and a music scholarship from Valley Forge Military Academy,

holds a degree in Liberal Arts and

a Bachelors Degree in Theatre from Fordham U.(N.Y.) In Hollywood, he attended the Film Institute, Universal Studios and the Universal Music Group. He has worked as actor, singer, instrumentalist, writer, producer and director.

Antonio wrote, produced, and edited his first film "The Offering". It visually encapsulated the scope and abilities of his talent. It also drew the attention of Stephen Spielberg, resulting in a three year connection with Survivors of the SHOAH Visual History Foundation, its mission: a dissemination of an Archive of over 50,000 testimonies of the Holocaust.



2006, Antonio founded Sarmiento Productions Inc., a consulting firm for the visual arts. In 2009, he relocated to Northumberland County where he opened an independent production studio while continuing to produce and direct. In 2011, he became Director and Managing Partner in Cobourg's Park Theatre and Performing Arts Centre. In 2013, he was named to his present position.

Antonio, with great enthusiasm, described the excitement he feels in being fully involved in the operation of this marvelous facility. He is doubly excited about the

role technology will play in new productions. He mentioned specifically the recent performance of The Little Mermaid. The huge financial impact on the County has earned him recognition by the business community. Prominent artists relish the opportunity to perform. The wide range of and types of shows has resulted in an above average attendance rate. Singing in the Rain was the centre's best selling show in 2014, but has now been surpassed by eight others. With innovative technology in a supporting role, Antonio's passionate outlook will continue to ensure exciting future performances.

John Winkworth, Antonio's father -in-law thanked him with family love and his own love of the theatre.

Harry Knapper



Bridge Club



Northshore bridge club is actively seeking new players. This is a friendly relaxed group that convenes twice a month. If you are interested or would like to learn more about it, call Rick Potter 372 - 1758



Northshore Probus Executive 2018/19

President: - Bob Robertson Past President - Rose Wood

1st Vice President: - Linda Sedgwick-Girard 2nd Vice President: - Vacant

Treasurer: - Alf Johnson

Recording Secretary: - Marion Buttars, Lynda Ghent, Dawn Simpson





The lists were posted on the wall again this year for volunteers to sign up for the following social committees that organize the events throughout the year. If you did not have a chance to sign up please follow up by seeing Rose Wood.

Drinks and Appies contact

Lunch Bunch contact

Special days meeting events

(Valentine, St. Patrick, Easter, Probus

Month, Halloween, July 1st)

Car Rally

Silent auction Bake & Craft Sale

Christmas Party

Interclub Bowling representative

Bridge Club contact

Euchre contact

Ladies' Night Out

Summer BBQ

Newsletter reporters

Speakers