



PROBUS CLUB OF TRENT HILLS

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NEWSLETTER

ISSUES



The President's Voice

"A smile is the universal welcome"
-Max Eastman, The Sense of Humour

Is it spring yet? I must admit that this is not my favourite time of year which is one of the many reasons why I am glad to have our Probud Club to raise our spirits. Your management committee has been working diligently to keep our club running smoothly. We would like to welcome Piet and Joy Goemans to our team, sharing the position of Membership Manager. For those of you who may have missed our January meeting, we outlined a Safety Plan for our meetings in case of emergency. I am posting it again here, so that all our members can be well informed.

We are also finalizing arrangements for our blockbuster March celebration of Probud month. Please remember to invite guests to our meeting, featuring noted author Ted Barris, and to the follow up presentation of *The Great Escape* at the Aron at 2:00 in the afternoon. We have invited interested members from the Brighton and Presquile clubs to join us for the day, so it promises to be an exciting and informative event for our club.

Speaking of the Aron, let us know what you think of the first ever on-screen ad for our club! We will run the ad for three months and track what kind of response it generates. As always, we appreciate your ongoing support and efforts to make our club the vibrant, engaging activity it has become.

Hope to see you on Valentine's Day ————**Sheila**



Probud Club of Trent Hills Safety Plan (Outline)

Evacuation Procedures:

- The two main "signed" fire exits will be the main exit routes – the rear door to the parking lot towards the Legion and the side door to the foyer near the washroom area
- In the event that one of these exits is unavailable, alternate exit will be through the door at the left of the stage through the Malcolm Lounge to the west parking lot.
- Members will leave the meeting quickly and quietly and will proceed to the Legion parking lot. Once there, members will check in with the membership manager to let him/her know that they are safely out of the building.

Management Responsibilities

- Committee members shall man posts as assigned. If manning an exit door, you will hold the door open, assist members if needed, direct members to the Legion parking lot and re-direct members to an alternate exit if necessary.
- The membership manager will take the meeting attendance to the legion parking lot and will record the names of members who are safely out of the building.

Health Emergencies

There is a defibrillator located in the foyer near the washrooms. Members trained in its use are encouraged to provide assistance as needed as we await the arrival of emergency personnel. It will be the responsibility of the Communications manager and/or the Past President to call 911.

Past Speaker



Our speaker for our January meeting was **Boyd Sullivan** of Sullivan Auctions, Plainsville, Ontario. Boyd began by explaining how the family business evolved over the years, starting with his father Bob, who began the business while operating a dairy farm. His four boys were his labour force until the first three found other careers, leaving Boyd to take over the auction business, ...after his father made him an offer he couldn't refuse.

Boyd explained how an auctioneer approaches a new client, pointing out how he handles selling their possessions and how they must have a realistic grasp of the value of their belongings.

The clerk who assists Boyd with his auctions provides a valuable and reliable record of the sales as the auction progresses.

His humour was ever present as his talk evolved, and he explained how he uses that humour to gain the attention of his crowd. He kept his Probus audience alert and interested in what he had to say, thus proving his point. I suspect that many of us will be attending at least one of his auctions this summer not just for the treasure hunt it provides, but also for its pure entertainment value. Boyd is not just an auctioneer, but the ultimate performer.

He handled many questions after his talk and was thanked by our Vice President Tom Terentiew.

Upcoming Speakers

February: Chinese Food for Thought

Dave MacDougall and Bill Hogle share their observations on life and work in China.

Dave has been in China as a consultant 9 times since 2010 and Bill has recently returned from a tour.

They will discuss China – the remarkable culture of the boardroom, the wonders of its antiquities and the marvel of its engineering achievements.

MARCH IS PROBUS MONTH—SPECIAL EVENT PLANNED - March 14th!

Our special guest speaker will be **Ted Barris**, author of **The Great Escape**. At 2:00 In the afternoon, after you have had your own lunch, we will be doing a showing of *The Great Escape at the Aron Theater*. We ask you to sign a list if you plan on going to the theater so that we may plan on how to fill the 140 seats in the theater.

Guests will be allowed once members have been accommodated.

**PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THIS MOVIE AT THE EVENTS DESK
- DON'T MISS OUT!!!**

The logo for the Santa Claus Parade features a red Santa hat with a white pom-pom on the left. To its right, the words "SANTA CLAUS" are written in a bold, red, sans-serif font, and "PARADE" is written below it in a larger, white, outlined, sans-serif font.

Vice President Tom Terentiew mentioned at the January meeting that he would like Probus of Trent Hills to have a float in the Santa Claus Parade for 2018. If anyone has decorations or decor that could be used for the float, then they should contact Tom Terentiew to discuss what is available and if it needs to be picked up or dropped off. Tom's email is tterentiew@sympatico.ca and his phone number is (705) 653-3037.



2017 Christmas Party





**JUNE 24TH - 1:00 PM
TRIBUTE COMMUNITY CENTER -
OSHAWA**

PRICE - \$90.00 per person

**TRAVEL FROM THE CANADIAN TIRE PARKING LOT TO
THE CENTRE IN OSHAWA VIA FOLEY BUS LINES**

**SIGN UP NOW!
DON'T MISS OUT!**

One of the best loved Cirque du Soleil shows comes to Oshawa! Corteo will embark on a new journey giving more people the opportunity to enjoy this enchanting production that has been created especially for arenas.

The show brings together the passion of the actor with the grace and power of the acrobat to plunge the audience into a theatrical world of fun, comedy and spontaneity.

**CABIN FEVER? TIRED OF ICE AND SNOW AND PLOWS?
WONDERING ABOUT THE DATE FOR THE NEXT BOWLING OUTING?
CHECK AT THE EVENTS DESK!**



VS



AHL HOCKEY GAME

SUNDAY MARCH 4TH, AT 3:00 PM

***THE PROBUS TICKETS FOR
THIS EVENT ARE SOLD OUT!!!***

YARDMEN ARENA - BELLEVILLE
265 Canifton Road, Belleville ON

IMPORTANT NOTE

**TICKETS MAY STILL BE AVAILABLE IF YOU CALL THE ARENA
DIRECTLY AT 613 967-8067**

PARKING IS IN SHORT SUPPLY AT THE ARENA.

We encourage you to take the Shuttle down to the games. Fans can park for free at the Quinte Mall and catch the shuttle for \$2.50 per round trip. The shuttle begins operating at 1:45 pm, with the last bus leaving at 2:40 pm. . Two City transit buses and two school buses will be used to run the service and will be staged to leave five minutes apart.

- o Bus Stop #1 - Chapters (west side of the Quinte Mall)
- o Bus Stop #2 - Toys "R" Us Entrance (south side of the Quinte Mall)

After the Game:

- Leave the bus bay on the west side of the building and then head back to the Quinte Mall.
- Drop off at west end, Stop #1 Chapters and then south end, Stop #2 Toys "R" Us

***PREPARE FOR AN EXCITING AFTERNOON OF GREAT HOCKEY AND
LOADS OF FUN!!!**

Special Interests

Book Club - The Probus Book Club meets on the 3rd Tues. monthly at 3:30 pm.

The club now has 12 members. There has been a change in the book to be read. New title is The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter by Jean Penbziwol.

If you wish to join the group call [Maureen Dikun—705-653-3182](tel:705-653-3182).

Report on Probus Single Malt Scotch Tasting # 15 Thursday February 8th, 2018

Hello and Happy New Year fellow Scotch Tasters! I hope you have all had an enjoyable Christmas, and now as we venture into 2018, I wish you the best in the coming year.

Lunch at Capers was followed by our tasting in the upstairs room.

This time we sampled three lovely single malts, all from the same neighbourhood.....and that would be Speyside district, and this neighbourhood did not dissappoint.

The cost of the tasting remains at \$20pp. and lunch is the member's responsibility. If you are interested in attending a future tasting event, sign up at a meeting or you can email / phone myself or Bob Bennett, and we will ensure you get on the list. Non-members are welcome to attend, so feel free to bring a friend. However; should the list be filled, members will have priority for sign up. I will put everyone on the list in order of when I receive sign up request, to be fair to all. This is a good chance to meet and socialize with other Probus members as well as having a chance to sample some high quality single malts with friends, old and new!

Watch for further announcements of tasting dates.

Slainte!

Gord gareid@sympatico.ca or 705-653-2474

Bob r.b.bennett@eastlink.ca or 705-653-1180

Photography Group - Feb 28 and Mar 28 are the next two meeting dates for our group. New members are welcome. At our January meeting we will be planning a trip to Algonquin Park to do some nature photography. Many bird species as well as several mammals (otters, pine martin, fox, moose, etc.) are possibilities to be seen in Algonquin Park in winter. Consider taking this special outing even if you are not a member of the Photo group.

Contact Tony Crocker - photo@tcrocker.ca - (705) 653-1100

A Special Thank-You

Our Membership Manager, Bev McComb is stepping down from this position. Bev has done an outstanding job in this post, keeping all membership tasks organized and up-to-date over the past 21/2 years - no small feat. She deserves a big "**thank-you**" from our members. Fortunately the position was speedily filled by Piet and Joy Goemans. Bev will still be in the background helping with the transition. Say "Hi" to the new faces at the desk and be sure to give Bev a hearty pat on the back!!



*Happy
Valentine's Day*



YOUR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

SHEILA WOOD - President

TOM TERENCE - Vice President and Program Manager

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