



TRENT HILLS PROBUS CLUB NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2021

Our Strength is Fellowship; Our Success is Participation

**MEETINGS POSTPONED
FOR THE SUMMER**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



Summer is coming and it is time to enjoy the outdoors—as much as is permitted during the Covid 19 Pandemic. Some of us garden and make beautiful displays in our yards. Some of us plant vegetables so that we can watch them grow. Some of us are still doing puzzles and baking the odd loaf of sourdough bread while fitting in time on the patio. Whatever it is that you do, enjoy it, because once the Province opens you will want to fill your time with the new activities that become available.

This month, the Management Committee has decided to take a summer break with regard to our Zoom meetings. We have been working on providing you with Zoom meetings with a variety of speakers on many topics as well as perfecting the delivery so that the meetings are seamless. To date, we have only averaged 10-20 people and that included at least three of the Management Committee plus the speaker. That, plus the warm weather, has led us to make the decision to take a break June, July, and August. Our monthly newsletters will continue as will our monthly Management meetings.

We are, however, giving you a chance to show each other how you celebrate Canada's birthday this year and we are really hoping we will get some good photos for the July newsletter. This newsletter has all the details.

Janis Eves (Crocker) has once again graciously opened her gardens for you to schedule visits and tours. They have included a video for you to enjoy as well. It is up to you to plan your own event. Again, all details are in the newsletter.



We are all eagerly awaiting to see when second doses of the vaccines are to be given so that we can start looking at meeting in person (when guidelines permit). We don't know what will happen and when; just like everyone else, we are awaiting the next announcement.

As always, play safe and follow the rules,
Norah

LAST MONTH'S MEETING

The speaker at May's General Meeting was Christine Allum from the Ontario Securities Commission. She presented us with an interesting variety of subjects such as: an increase in "covid-related" fraud schemes e.g. help with government benefits or other financial assistance, vaccine appointments, sales of worthless stock - often companies selling Covid-related products; ways to keep your personal and financial information safe; ways to make a complaint about concerns with your investment advisor and a brief overview of "crypto" assets. She directed us to tools on their website such as an emergency fund calculator, personal information inventory and RRIF withdrawal calculator. After the meeting, she forwarded links for further information on the various subjects she covered. This has already gone out to the membership.

FROM OUR EVENTS COORDINATOR, LESIA KARAS:



Let's celebrate July 1st Canada Day by sharing how we will be enjoying the day, maybe with a backyard barbecue, a family distancing outdoor picnic, a hike, putting up flags, watching fireworks or just sitting outside with a glass of wine toasting Canada's Birthday. Wear your Canada hat or t-shirt, wave the flag and take a photo to share with your fellow members. Send your photo to trenthillsprobus@gmail.com no later than July 3rd and our celebrations will be posted in the July Newsletter for all to enjoy. Since we cannot be together, this is a way we can stay connected with one another. Let's celebrate Canada, celebrate life and celebrate the end of Covid.

Garden Tour

Members Janis Eves and Tony Crocker have gorgeous gardens which they are kindly opening up for tours to Probus Members and their friends—socially-distanced, of course! Watch for the beautiful video they have prepared which is being forwarded separately from the Newsletter.

Call 705-653-1100 to make an appointment.



'LOCKDOWN' ACTIVITIES

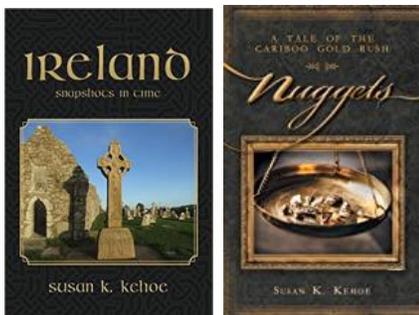
COMPUTER!



Leslie Turpin: "For those members that loved Abba, they might enjoy this Covid version of Mama Mia. "

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GOOD BOOKS!



Ireland: Snapshots in Time and Nuggets: A Tale of the Cariboo Gold Rush by Susan Kehoe, one of our Trent Hills Probus Club Members.

"I have self published these two books as historical fiction novels and have them for sale. Copies are also available at local libraries, Kerr's Book Store and Amazon. Covid is a great excuse to sit and write. Have finished two others but haven't published them yet. Number 3 is a modern romance involving horses, dancing and travel. Number 4 is a Viking/Irish saga. I just started working on book #5 which will be a sequel to Nuggets. The theme in all of them is based on an individual dealing with a crisis and the personal growth that happens over time because of it. I love the research. It keeps my brain working. " Susan Kehoe

COOKING!



'Tis the season for rhubarb and Donna George thought we might enjoy this recipe for Rhubarb Pie . See Page 5



New Member, Susan McNight, sent her recipe for Paella. See Page 5

PICTURES!



"My kitty cat, big Rusty, loves flowers so he stopped to smell the tulips."
Submitted by Donna George

COVID-19 UPDATE FOR NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

(Data provided by the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, May 31, 2021)

Current Active Cases: 19 (0.02% of the population of 85,600)

Total Cases: 922 (1.08% of the population) Ontario: 3.59% of population

Cases Resolved: 886 (96.1% of total cases) Ontario: 95.7% of total cases

Hospitalizations to Date (Total): 31 (3.36% of total cases)

Total Deaths: 17 (1.84% of total cases) Ontario: 1.65% of total cases

Editor's Comment: Despite the "variants", percentages of hospitalizations and deaths have remained static over the past couple of months. "Active" cases have dropped, "Recovered" rate has jumped.



Message from the Editor...

Had to pull myself in from gardening to do this newsletter this month!

Looking forward to a full page of Canada Day photos from our members! Please participate! Please submit not later than July 3rd. Next month only, newsletter will go out on July 4th or 5th.

Deadline for other Newsletter submissions (keep those book and recipe suggestions coming in!) is the 25th of the month, as usual, to: lauramcculloch52@gmail.com

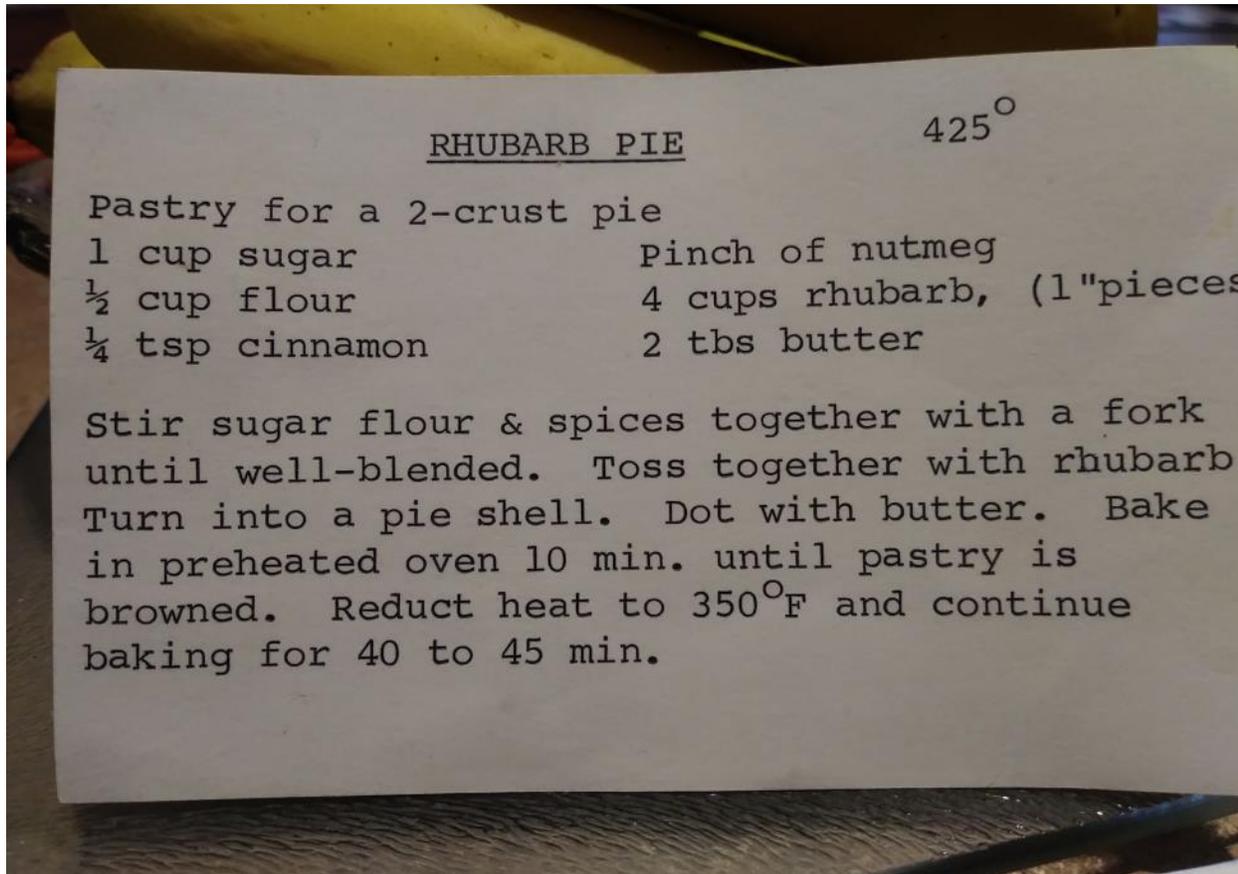
Laura McCulloch
Newsletter Editor



On the Lighter Side:

.....Last year I replaced several windows in my house and they were the expensive double-pane energy efficient kind. But this week I got a call from the contractor complaining that his work has been completed for a whole year and I had yet to pay for them. Boy oh boy did we go 'round. Just because I'm blonde doesn't mean that I am automatically stupid. So, I proceeded to tell him just what his fast talking sales guy had told me last year. . that in one year the windows would pay for themselves. There was silence on the other end of the line so I just hung up and I haven't heard back.

.....Grandpa and Grandma were watching the television evangelical show and the preacher said, if the viewers at home wanted to be healed, place one hand on the television set and the other hand on the body part where they wanted to be healed. Grandma got up and slowly hobbled to the television set, placed her right hand on the set and her left hand on her arthritic shoulder that was causing her to have great pain. Then Grandpa got up, went to the TV, placed his right hand on the set and his left hand on his crotch. Grandma scowled at him and said, "I guess you just don't get it. The purpose of doing this is to heal the sick, not to raise the dead."



PAELLA

4 tbs olive oil	1 1/4 cup rice
350 gm pork tenderloin thinly sliced	1 tsp paprika
120 gm chorizo sausage thinly sliced	1 3/4 cup beef or chicken stock
2 large onions chopped	500 gm spinach
1 large red pepper chopped	2 roasted red peppers (from jar)

Directions:

Sear pork, season and remove from pan. Fry chorizo 1 min in olive oil

Add onion and pepper - cook 20 min. Add garlic and cook 10 min. (should carmelize)

Stir in rice, add paprika, salt, pepper, roasted pepper followed by hot stock

Simmer until rice is cooked approx 15 minutes

In a separate pan, wilt spinach

Return pork to pan followed by spinach

Cover and cook 5 min to heat through.