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THIS GENERAL MEETING - JUNE 2
Speaker: John Tindale H.I.S. Beach Hearing

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As my term as your PROBUS president begins to wind down, I cannot help but reflect on just how enjoyable the last couple of years have been for me. I got the opportunity to meet and work closely with some amazing people. The laughter and fellowship associated with the PROBUS executive and general meetings have made the time simply fly by.

At this time of year, we are in the process of building next year's executive. Ron Hanson has a large sign up sheet waiting for your signature. What a wonderful way to meet people and to be more involved with our incredible club!!

Those of you who are new to PROBUS should not hesitate to get involved. You probably joined PROBUS to add to your base of friends and to get involved with social activities. By offering your time to serve on the executive, you will accomplish these goals and so much more!!! It's a decision you will not regret.

This club has been around for quite some time. Most of our members have served on the executive in the past. Several people have served in a variety of positions for a number of years. It's time for them to pass the torch.

Please think about this and consider adding your name to Ron's executive signup sheet at our upcoming meeting. Let's keep this club rolling along.



Ross Dawe



**PROBUS members to get involved in the 2015-2016
PROBUS Management Team**

MAY'S MEETING

Thank you to our greeters for May: **Rickey & Greg Lemire**. If you wish to be a greeter, please speak to **Ron Hanson**. Thanks were given to **Carol Stonehouse** for her table décor and **Lyn and George Rice** for the coffee and goodies. Guests were introduced. **Doug McCullough** introduced our speaker **Ed Parkes** from Crimestoppers who explained how the programme works. Many people participate. We are encouraged to support Crimestoppers whenever there is a fundraiser. One item not stressed was the anonymity of the tipster and the fact that a tip is offered if the tip results in an arrest and conviction. Even the tip is given anonymously. **Doug** thanked **Ed** for his interesting and informative talk.

NEW MEMBERS

On behalf of **Sheila Ewing**, **Betty Baker** introduced new members **Gaston Laurin**, **Alice Juul** and **Chris Panos**, **Colleen** and **George Attridge** and **Sheila Dobson** and **John Norwood**.

LUCKY DRAW: **Joan Maloney/Sandra Hanson**

1st PRIZE: \$63.00 **Guenther Haessler**

2nd PRIZE: \$42.00 **Jack Benedet**

3rd PRIZE: \$35.00 **George Rice**

Speakers' Fund: \$46.00

PLEASE BRING COINS TO THE LUCKY DRAW TABLE AND BUY TICKETS BEFORE THE MEETING STARTS.

SOCIAL REPORT



MAY 2ND. EVENT

Those who attended the Saturday May 2nd tribute performance of **Roy Orbison / Everly Brothers** at the **Meaford Hall** greatly enjoyed themselves.

JUNE 13TH. EVENT

Saturday June 13th is the confirmed date for an evening of dining / horse racing @ **Georgian Downs** (7485 5th Side Road, Innisfil). The buffet dinner is provided by **Mamas Italian Buffet** at a cost of \$24.99 pp. Dinner is at 6:00 pm with the horse



racing commencing at 7:05 pm. The cost of the buffet is to be paid for by the members. Sign-up sheets were available at the May meeting and will still be available at the June meeting. This will be the last opportunity to put your name on the list. So far we have 90 members who have committed to this evening. *It is important that you only sign up if you plan on attending as reservations will need to be made to ensure seating.*

JULY 15TH. EVENT



On Wednesday July 15th we have scheduled our annual Beachcombers PROBUS picnic. The location is the same as last year....Klondike Park, Wasaga Beach (11:30 am - 4:00pm). There will be a catered barbeque ("Men with Knives") at 12:00 noon, so make sure you arrive early. Tickets continue to be on sale for the June / July meetings.....\$10.00 pp for members / \$17.00 pp for guests. So far we have 59 people signed up for fun in the sun. *Bring your cheque book to purchase your tickets.*

AUGUST 19TH. EVENT

Wednesday August 19th is the scheduled date for a wonderfully exciting performance of "*Footloose*" at the Kings Wharf Theatre, 97 Jury Dr., Penetanguishene. Show time is 2:00 pm. We have reserved a block of 85 tickets and will be available on a first come first served basis. To date we have 64 tickets sold. You still have the opportunity to sign-up at the June and July meetings. We must order the final # of tickets just after the July meeting. The reserved tickets are prioritized for the club membership.....tickets will be allowed for guests only at the July meeting. The cost of the ticket is \$39.00 pp. *Bring your cheque book to purchase your tickets.* The tickets for this performance will be available for you to pick up at the August meeting....so make sure that you attend.

PS.....your social committee would prefer payment *by cheque rather than cash*, as this is much easier to keep records of who has made payments.



That's all for now.....your social committee.

**GOODWILL AND
TELEPHONE
COMMITTEE**

Vincy Stephenson sent out a card to **Betty Keyes** last month. Please pass information regarding illness, hospital stays or death of a member to our Goodwill Convener, **Vincy Stephenson**.



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

If you want to join a group, call the convener listed below. If you wish to start a new group, speak to the Management Team.
PM Luncheon Cuisiniers: **Joan Porter** - 429-9260
Genealogy: **Sandra Hanson** - 422-0227
Daytrippers: **June Davidson** - 422-0960
Dinner at our Place: **Diane Nagel** - 422-0835
First Edition: **Rickey Lemire** - 422-1738
Happy Bookers: **Jan Bivall** - 429-7584
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MEMBERSHIP

We are now 196 members and growing. New members are always welcome. If you have a spreadsheet program (in Numbers or Excel) on your computer and are moderately familiar with using it, please talk to **Judy Morrison**.



Birthdays/Anniversaries

Best wishes to those who celebrate a special day in **June, 2015**

ROMEO (MEN'S) BREAKFAST GROUP

The **ROMEO MEN'S** Breakfast group gathers on the **last Wednesday of each month** for fellowship, and breakfast at various local restaurants. In **May** our group met for



breakfast, and conversation at Mosley Street Grill.

The **ROMEO'S** group has now grown to 30 who enjoy breakfast and stimulating conversation whenever they can attend. We average about 18 for breakfast. If you wish to join us for the first time, contact Bob Bowyer at 705-429-0579. We will add you to the list for the monthly reminders.

We send out a reminder a few days ahead to find out how many can make it. We try to give the restaurant an approximate count a few days before as to how many will be attending.

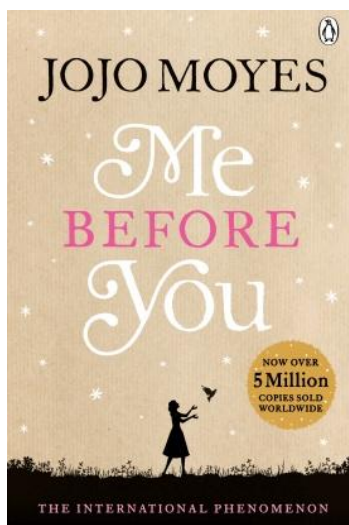
Our next breakfast will be on **Wednesday June 24, 2015, 9:00 AM at Georgian Circle Family Restaurant, 1441 Mosley St.**

FIRST EDITION BOOK REVIEW

We reviewed The 100 Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared. The story is set in Sweden and is about the life and adventures of our hero Allan Karlsson, who on his 100th birthday is sitting quietly in his room in an old people's home, waiting for the party he-never-wanted-anyway to begin. After his escape he sets out on a journey, steals a suitcase of money, and collects a motley crew of really interesting but flawed characters who all manage to stay one step ahead of the police. The book is also interspersed with flashbacks of Allan's life and how he inadvertently managed to be in the right place at the wrong time and help influence a number of events and changed the course of 20th century history. A combination of Forest Gump and Abbot and Costello makes for an over the top unbelievable story. The group rated it 3.25/5



HAPPY BOOKERS BOOK REVIEW



In Me Before You by Jojo Moyes, the reader is first introduced to Louisa, an ordinary girl living with her parents and sister in a small English village. Louisa takes a job working for an ex-Master of The Universe, Will Traynor, who is now a quadriplegic after an accident. Will had always lived a huge life and was not interested in trying to adjust to his severely restricted life. Will is bossy and moody and treats Louisa badly, but she persists and gradually his happiness comes to mean a lot to her. In turn, Will tries to teach her what's in the world outside of her restricted existence. When Louisa learns Will's plans, she sets out to show him that life is worth living. The author skillfully involves us in this developing relationship between Will & Louisa, but also in their changing relationships with their families and friends. Everyone was impressed with this novel and we gave it a 4.7, a high rating.

SANTA'S VILLAGE DISCOUNT

As in 2014, Santa's Village Family Entertainment Parks Corporate is running the same program again for 2015...your members will receive \$10 OFF per person at each of our parks giving the best rate available! In honour of our 60th season here at Santa's Village, our 2015 promo code is **SANTA60**.

All your members need to do is visit this link <http://santasvillage.ca/corporate/> and fill out the online form. They will be emailed the Corporate Discount Voucher which has information on how to redeem and the savings they will receive at our parks.

Tyler Gillan

Santa's Village & Sportsland

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DO YOU RECOGNIZE THIS MEMBER?



This little boy is one of our PROBUS members and is a little older now. Anyone recognize him? All will be revealed at the June meeting where we will have our usual lineup of suspects. Think about secretly submitting a youthful photo of you (or your spouse) to the editor.

Last month's member was **Gene Stephenson**.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2015

RecPlex

Come at 9:30 for coffee and fellowship.

Submissions for inclusion in July's Newsletter should be sent to t.donohue@rocketmail.com no later than May 25, 2015