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AUGUST GENERAL MEETING

TODAY'S SPEAKER: BILL BRODEUR, MÉTIS DAY FESTIVAL

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well folks, it is hard for me to believe a year has slipped by and my term as President has come to an end. It has been a rewarding year that I have thoroughly enjoyed.

Hopefully, you are as proud of the group as I am. Many thanks to everyone for your support over this past year and especially our Management team. They have been outstanding as I am sure you will all agree.

Our Social Committee team worked on your behalf organizing the events that we have all come to enjoy over the past year. There are also many special interest groups within our club and all those who organize and make these arrangements deserve a big hand as well.

My good friend, and fellow Probian, Don Caron will take over as the 2010-2011 President. We all wish Don and his Management team a great year.

Bob Bowyer

So Long, Farewell, Auf Wiedersehen, Adieu

JULY'S FASHION SHOW

Move over FASHIONESTAS of New York! Wasaga Beach has its own Jeannie Becker in the person of Juliet Campbell. Everyone present was treated to an eye catching display of flowers created by Marilyn's Country Florist adorning each table with totally different bouquets and stunning six foot tall white arrangements for the stage.

Juliet Campbell is one of our Beachcombers Probus members and well qualified to present this event. She is a former teaching master at Sir Sanford Fleming College in Peterborough in their Fashion Merchandising Programme. In 1972 she entered the Orillia Pageant for the Miss Canada Beauty Contest. She was an Ambassador for the city of Orillia for many years and subsequently studied with four different modeling schools. All this, together with practicing as an Image and Make-up Consultant, enabled her to dress her twenty-five Probus volunteer models in catalogue items from her Sears Outlet Store.

Not only did the models strut their stuff in a very professional cat walk style but this also allowed the "audience" to see the range of styles, fit and colour. Members could also appreciate the fine quality of the items "on display" and plan their summer wardrobes. The whole show was brought to a close with a very pregnant "Lady Ga Ga" look-a-like bride in the form of our President, Bob Bowyer.

Helping Juliet throughout was her daughter, Jennifer, and other professionals in make-up and photography.

Congratulations to all who participated and made this another successful event for Probus members.

PAST EVENTS

TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2010 – ANNUAL PICNIC

We enjoyed lovely weather once again on this day. Munchies and liquid refreshments were everywhere as members sought their seating location. The day started with some tunes from the duo, *Everwood*. They were very tuneful and the music was very familiar. We played a few games and the winners were as follows:

Shoe Kick: Glen Hutton and Evelyn Aherne

Frisbee Golf: The team of Sam Ritchie, Nancy Ritchie, Linda Vanderknokke, Eri Vanderknokke, Linda Squires and Bonnie Ayre

Balloon Toss: Ray Porter and Joan Porter

Egg Toss: Glen Hutton and Judy Hutton

Winners of the 50/50 draw: Vincy Stephenson (\$91), Peter Premich (\$60) and Sheila Ewing (\$29)

Door Prize winners of various vouchers were Jim Sommerville (FUD), Betty Baker (LCBO), Keith Brett (Home Hardware), Shirley Brett (Boston Pizza), Linda Squires (Swiss Chalet), Joanne Scruton (Shoppers Drug Mart), and Helena Aherne (PC Gift Card).

There were also some rousing games of *Bocce* and *Lasso Golf* being played throughout the day! The meal was up to Burger Bob's normal standards and no complaints were heard. *Everwood*, with a lovely and mellow musical repertoire, closed the day with a leaving song and it all seemed to fit. Warm weather, good music, great company, fun games, nice conversations, a wonderful meal, a few high jinks and another memorable picnic seemed to end all too soon. Mark your calendar for the third Tuesday of next year for the next picnic.

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 2010 - SEE HOW THEY RUN

A comedy at King's Wharf in Penetanguishene which starts at 2:00 PM. **PLEASE TAKE YOUR GREEN PROBUS TICKETS TO THE SOCIAL TABLE AND THEY WILL BE EXCHANGED FOR THE THEATRE TICKETS.** Those not at today's meeting will receive their tickets at the theatre. Bring your half (of the green) ticket with you to the performance as we will be having a draw (like last year) for the leftover funds (\$56 in total) from the group ticket purchase.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2010 - PROBUS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Tickets will be on sale again today for a nine-hole golf game at the Batteaux Creek Golf Club. Batteaux Creek is west of Wasaga Beach, located at 7422 Sideroad 30/31 and is visible from Highway 124 (south of Nottawa and north of Duntroon). The price of \$55 (which is \$5 more than last year) includes golf cart, nine holes and a delicious steak dinner. Non-Golfers will be able to join us for the steak dinner for \$25. A few prizes are available for certain fun golfing categories as well as some door prizes for which both golfers and non-golfers are eligible. We now are welcoming 60 golfers to maintain the good deal.

Note the time changes for both the golf and the meal: the shotgun start time is 3:00 PM for all golfers and we expect to eat around 6:30. These times differ from the times printed on the tickets.



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2010 - STRATFORD THEATRE

This is a whole day bus trip to the Stratford Theatre to view "Evita" which includes lunch at the Queen's Hotel. Cost for the day which includes bus there and back, the lunch and theatre ticket is \$120.00 each. Availability is on a first-come-first-serve basis. Please speak to Tom if you are interested and he will direct you to the correct contact.

A BIG THANK YOU to the members of last year's Social Committee for a job VERY WELL DONE: Marilyn Evans, Sandra Hanson, Michael James, Joan Maloney, Linda Marshall, Mary Searl and committee chair, Tom Donohue.

A CHANGING OF THE GUARD

WELCOME and best of luck to the members of the new committee: Monika Burchell, Irene Donohue, Judy Hutton, Joan Maloney, Diane Nagel, Joan Porter, Joanne Scruton and Luci Worch.

The new committee has been hard at work, planning your fall events:

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2010 – LAWN BOWLING

Come out and join us at 10 AM for **lawn bowling** at the **Collingwood Lawn Bowling Club**. For \$15 a person, we will receive basic instruction and try out our newly found skills, followed by lunch. If you would like to come out for lunch only, the cost is \$10. Tickets are available at the August meeting.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2010 – HALLOWEEN COSTUME PARTY

We will be holding our first **Halloween Costume Party**, at Country Life Estates in Wasaga Beach. Tickets are \$20 a person and are now for sale. There will be a DJ (our very own Gene Stephenson), dancing, a light buffet later in the evening, a cash bar and even prizes for the most interesting costumes. If you don't want to dress up, you might want to consider wearing something black or orange.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2010 – GAMES NIGHT

Plans are currently underway for a **Games Night** on **Thursday, November 18** at the Prime Time Club in Wasaga Beach. This should be a fun night, starting with dinner. There will be darts, shuffleboard, cards, billiards and bingo. Please sign the sheet at the Social Committee tables indicating your interest. Tickets are expected to be in the \$15 range and will be available at the September meeting.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2010 – CHRISTMAS DINNER/DANCE

Our annual **Christmas Dinner/Dance** will be held on **Friday, December 3** at the Collingwood Legion. More details will be available at future meetings.

JULY LUCKY DRAW WINNERS - PLEASE BRING COINS TO BUY YOUR LUCKY DRAW TICKETS

1st prize of \$80.00 – Sheila Ewing

2nd prize of \$50.00 – Robin Nagel

3rd prize of \$40.00 – Margaret Pothier

4th prize of \$30.00 – Lyn Rice

Gift Certificate of \$50.00 to Sears (donated by Juliet Campbell) – Pat Travis

Lunch for Two at Georgian Circle (donated by Juliet Campbell) – Rod Ranta

Gift Certificate of \$40.00 to Sears – Jack Benedet

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES:

Best wishes to those who celebrate in August.

“MEET YOUR MEMBER” – WE NEED YOU!

Please consider presenting your profile.

Contact Betty Keyes at 429-6064 for information regarding "Meet Your Member" profiles. Betty will be pleased to help you compose and read your profile at a specified monthly meeting.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

SPECIAL INTEREST	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NO.	SPECIAL INTEREST	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NO.
Afternoon Luncheon Cuisiners	Joan Maloney	422-0573	Golf	WE NEED YOU!	
Bid Euchre	Paul Turner	422-0747	Happy Bookers Club	Mary Barnes	429-2142
Book Worms Club	Lucille Mancer	422-0143	Kitchen Bridge	Betty Keyes	429-6064
Daytrippers	Lucille Mancer	422-0143	Pinochle	Bob Bowyer	429-0579
Dinner at our Place	Steve and Jan Bivall	429-7584	Regular Euchre	Lorraine Doidge	422-0622
First Edition Book Club	Betty Montgomery	429-6854	Restaurant Dinner Club	WE NEED YOU!	
Genealogy	Sandra Hanson	422-0227	ROMEO - Men's Breakfast	Bob Bowyer	429-0579

****Please let Vincy know if there are any changes to the SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP information.****

First Edition Book Club

In July, our book club read *The Stone Carvers* by Jane Urquhart. We were all pretty ambivalent about this book. It had so many stories within the story, as well as jumping from past to present to past, again and again. The book had a bit of everything in it. Canadian history, child abuse, friendships, lost loves, mental illness, anger, art, craftsmanship, love stories and same sex relationships. We did all agree that the history of Vimy Ridge was the best part of the book. We rated it 3 out of 5.

The Bookworms Club

In June we read the book *The Patron Saint of Liars* written by Ann Patchett. The book is a quiet compelling story about Rose Clinton and how her secrets and lies affected her life and the lives of those around her. It is a story of conflict between virtue and dishonesty. Each of the three segments of the book are narrated by a main character thus providing a character study, a sharing of their experiences and a glimpse into their being. We recommend the book; it will be especially interesting to those who would like a thought provoking character study.

Daytrippers

On Thursday, June 24, the Daytrippers enjoyed a spectacular trip to The King's Wharf Theatre in Penetanguishene to see a production of "On Golden Pond". The five of us had lunch at the Dockside Cafe and then in to enjoy the show. It had everything; we laughed, we cried, (mostly laughed) and enjoyed the play immensely. We could not believe how much like Henry Fonda the leading man looked. All in all, a wonderful day was spent with good food, good entertainment, and above all, good company!

ROMEO - Men's Breakfast Group

The ROMEO (Men's) Breakfast group meets on the **last Wednesday of the month** for fellowship and a good breakfast. We rotate between 4 or 5 local restaurants. Our next breakfast will be at **MOSLEY STREET GRILL on Wednesday, August 25 at 9:00 AM**. We have 27 in our group. If you wish to join us please call Bob Bowyer at 429-0579.

DON'T FORGET:

- The Secretary's Minutes of the last General Meeting and the Treasurer's Summary of the Club's finances are posted at the front of the room. Please read them!
- **Please notify the Membership Convener of any changes to your address, phone number, e-mail address, etc.** We realize this is a continuing reminder, but it is very important!
- Please pass information regarding sickness, hospital stays, or death of a member to our Goodwill Convener (Shirley Brett at 429-8907). If you don't tell us, we may miss sending out a card.
- Our New Member Ambassador is always available to give you information about our Club and its activities.

We would like to thank the members of the 2009-2010 Management Team for their excellent work and dedication. MANAGEMENT TEAM for 2009-2010:

President	Bob Bowyer	429-0579	Membership	Heide & Guenter Haessler	422-0288
Vice-President	Don Caron	429-0308	Refreshments	Susan & Brian Passmore	422-1956
Secretary	Mary Barnes	429-2142	Lucky Draw	Michael James	429-7207
				Linda Vanderknokke	429-6846
Treasurer	Kathy Zack	429-0033	New Members	Lucille Mancer	422-0143
Past President	Betty Baker	422-1909	Goodwill	Shirley Brett	429-8907
Speaker and Profiles Chair	Monica Kristan	429-9635	Newsletter	Vincy Stephenson	422-0201
	Mary Barnes	429-2142			
Social	Tom Donohue	429-0644			

NEXT MEETING

SEPTEMBER 7, 2010

WASAGA STARS ARENA

Arrive early to enjoy coffee and tea with your friends prior to the meeting at 10:00 am. Remember to bring your "Probus" mug and wear your name tags.

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See you in September

