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SEPTEMBER'S GENERAL MEETING

Speaker: Twyla Nicholson, the town clerk will explain
electronic voting.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



President Ross Dawe

As yet another summer comes to an end; I know that we are all looking forward to an exciting year of activities and socialization with our fellow PROBUS members. Your new management team realizes that they have big shoes to fill. This club has had a long history of excellent speakers, active interest groups, and entertaining social activities. Our new executive members will try their utmost to continue with the legacy of excellence that has been such a big part of Beachcombers PROBUS since the inception of our club. We've been fortunate enough to have more than a decade of incredible leadership. Past executives have made this club what it is today. Several of our committees have already met and are making plans to ensure that all our members enjoy events in the upcoming year. In addition to his duties as past president, Ron Hanson has agreed to temporarily head up our social committee. I will also help out by serving on that committee. Nevertheless, we are still very understaffed in that area and would welcome any help at all from other members. At our September meeting, we will conduct a very short "envisioning exercise". You, along with the people sitting at your table, will be asked to indicate what type of social activities you would like to see in 2014-2015. You will also be able to make suggestions for speakers. This information will be used by our social committee and speaker conveners to help them plan the year's activities, so please give this some thought prior to the meeting. This is an opportunity for you to offer your opinions and perhaps even to volunteer to help out with one of our monthly social events. Together, I firmly believe that we can ensure yet another great year for Beachcombers PROBUS.

AUGUST'S MEETING

THANK YOU TO OUR GREETERS FOR AUGUST: AL and JUDY GRONDIN. If you wish to be a greeter, please speak to **Vincy Stephenson.**

OUR SPEAKERS: Jan Bival introduced speakers **Marianne Ford** and **Steven Nash** (below), certified Nordic Pole Walking



Instructors who gave a very interesting power point and demonstration presentation about this low impact, health improving activity. Apparently when you use the poles you use more of your body's muscle groups. During the break, members were given the opportunity to use the poles and buy the products. **Jan** thanked **Marianne** and **Steve** with a gift.



Many members enjoyed using the Nordic Poles.



GREETERS: AL AND JUDY GRONDIN



Yes I'm
The Queen
of Probus

Welcome new members..

Yes I'm 4th
Generation
Scottish...

LEFT:

Betty Baker introduced and welcomed new members **Al** and **Dianne Avery.**

RIGHT:

Congratulations to Bernice and Ben Sacchetti on the occasion of their **55th** wedding anniversary.

Happy Anniversary..
Fifty Five Years Together !!

Betty (who has been **PROBUS** Club President Twice and is famous for her impersonation of **The Queen**) greets **Dianne** and **Al.**





We said thanks and good bye to the old Management Team and welcomed the members of the new Team.

AUGUST LUCKY DRAW WINNERS

First prize \$60.00
 Second prize \$45.00
 Third prize \$31.00
 \$40 Gift Certificate

Linda Squires
 Joyce Frost
 Sandy Hanson
 Bob Bowyer

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



A happy Sandy, Bob, Joyce and Linda

SOCIAL REPORT

Hello fellow members.

We are still looking for someone to come forward to take the lead as the social chairperson. If you are gracious enough to volunteer, please contact **Ron Hanson** at 705-422-0227. In the meantime **Ron** will stand in as the social committee convener along with the team of **Al Fraser / Russ White / Herb Moore / and Ross Dawe**.

Unfortunately, the social event planned for August (Parry Sound Cruise) did not get the required participants to meet the minimum and therefore was cancelled.

YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE HAS PREPARED A LIST OF POSSIBLE EVENTS FOR US TO PLAN.....HOWEVER WE WANT YOUR INPUT. SO COME PREPARED WITH YOUR THOUGHTS AS WE WANT YOUR INPUT TO MAKE THE SOCIAL EVENTS SOMETHING YOU WILL PARTICIPATE IN.

YOUR SOCIAL COMMITTEE

RON / AL / RUSS / HERB / ROSS

BELOW IS SEPTEMBER'S EVENT FOR YOU TO ENJOY



GEORGIAN HILLS
VINEYARDS

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Our wines
An expression of "Where we come from"



Tasting is believing!
Delicious local Georgian Bay wine



Georgian Hills Vineyards

Wine and Cheese Tasting

COST: \$20.00 per person

To be followed by a 'Buy-Your-Own' dinner at Crystal Palace-Collingwood

Tour is on Wednesday, Sept. 17th, 2014 from 2 pm to 3.30 pm with arrival time @1.30 pm (40 Members maximum).

Directions: This is a car pooling event meeting at the RecPlex with departure no later than 1.00pm for those needing a drive and drivers with an empty back seat. Take Hwy # 26 west of Collingwood **turning left** on Hwy # 40 (to Chatsworth) located between Thornbury and Collingwood. **Turn left** onto Hwy #2 at the first double RED flashing lights proceeding south a few km until emergency # 496350.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL RON HANSON AT 705 422 0227

AND HERE IS OCTOBER'S EVENT TO ENJOY

THE BEACHCOMBERS PROBUS CLUB – Wasaga Beach



ENJOY 18 HOLES OF MINI-GOLF AT
Georgian Manor Resort and Country Club

COLLINGWOOD: HWY # 26 WEST JUST 2 KW PAST CRANBERRY HOTEL

Wednesday, October 8th, 2014

THE EVENT

WILL START AT 12.00 NOON WITH A HAMBURG STEAK LUNCH FOLLOWED BY GOLF WITH TEAM ENTRIES AND A SHOT-GUN START.

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Tickets for this event will go on sale at our Sept 2nd, 2014 General Meeting.

Ticket sales are limited to 40 - 45

In the event the weather is questionable, lunch will be served regardless. However, golfing 'rain checks' will be passed out if weather conditions become a factor.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL RON HANSON 705 422 0227 OR AL FRASER 705 429 3667

MEET YOUR MEMBER

Member profiles may be a rare thing now but that does not mean we do not want to hear from you. If you are able to manage a personal profile, great! AND if you are interested in joining any of the special interest groups, or want to find out more information regarding the group, please contact the person whose name appears beside the activity.

AND If you wish to submit anything interesting, contact newsletter editor **Tom Donohue** at least a week before the next monthly meeting.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

If you are considering organizing any type of interest group, please approach the Management Team.

| Special Interest | Contact Name | Phone No. |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| PM Luncheon Cuisiners | 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 |
| Kitchen Bridge | Betty Keyes | 429-6064 |
| Restaurant Dinner Club | Convenor needed | |
| ROMEO - Men's Breakfast | Bob Bowyer | 429-0579 |

First Edition Book Club

After taking the summer off to relax with family and friends, the First Edition Book Club will have their next meeting at their annual Get-Away at Carriage Hills, the 3rd week of September. After a few days

of eating, laughing, eating, sightseeing, eating and watching DVD's, and oh, did I mention eating? The ladies will meet again in October to discuss A Year in Provence by Peter Mayle.

ROMEO (MEN'S) BREAKFAST GROUP



The **ROMEO MEN'S** Breakfast group gathers on the **last Wednesday of the month** for fellowship, and breakfast. In August we met for breakfast and conversation at Georgian Family Circle Restaurant.

We now have 29 serious **ROMEO'S** on our list, who enjoy breakfast and stimulating conversation. We average about 18 for breakfast. If you wish to join us for the first time, contact **Bob Bowyer** at 705-429-0579 to get on the list. 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 is scheduled for 9:00 **AM on Wednesday, September, 2014 at YAMMAS GRILL.**

Daytrippers Report

Our Beachcomber 'Daytrippers' group have enjoyed a number of outings these past months. The Elmvale Maple Syrup Festival held in April each year has been an annual excursion for our members. We always try to include a luncheon before visiting the various shops on the main street, as well as enjoying the various vendors in the Curling Club. Who knows what treasures one may pick up while browsing the many booths? In June, some of the gals drove to the Coldwater area where the various artisans opened up their homes and galleries to the public.

We are fortunate to have such a wonderful array of creative artists within driving distance of Wasaga Beach. In July, we went to The King's Wharf, Penetanguishene, and enjoyed 'I'll Be Back before Midnight' a comedy thriller written by a Canadian, about a ghost stalking a rented farmhouse. The 'Daytrippers' have taken in a number of performances over the years in this charming theatre, and highly recommend a visit to one of their productions. Stay tuned. There are many more adventures we have planned to report on in the months to come.



Submitted by: Betty Keyes

Dinner at our Place

Dinner at our Place is the dinner club for Beachcomber members. Every month 4 couples (or duos) have dinner at the house of one of the dinner club members. Responsibility for courses is assigned to the various couples - the host provides the entrée and veggies with the guests providing appetizers, soup or salad and dessert.

Hosting at the Dinner at our Place rotates amongst members. Twice a year the entire group gets together for a summer picnic and a Christmas soirée. There are currently 38 full-time members and 10 substitute members.

We would welcome new members to **Dinner at our Place!**

This is not a gourmet club so be not afraid. We're just Beachcombers enjoying an evening of good food, good conversation and good company.





If you would like to join or have questions, please call or email Diane Nagel - 705-422-0835, nageld@bell.net.

LEFT: It did not rain on our parade! Happy dinners enjoying their meal at the Dinner at our Place's annual summer picnic at Irene and Tom's (this year). Although it was a bit "cozy" upstairs and down, they all managed just fine, despite the rain.

NICE JOB! As always thank you to **Joan Smith** for making the meeting room look so welcoming.

GOODWILL AND TELEPHONE COMMITTEE **BILL TRAVIS**

Vincy Stephenson advises that cards were sent out to Bill and Pat Travis. We are sorry to report that Bill is in hospital in Orillia and we remember Bill in our thoughts and prayers.

Please pass information regarding illness, hospital stays or death of a member to our Goodwill Convener, Vincy Stephenson.



Birthdays/Anniversaries

Best wishes to those who celebrate a special day in September

Our Archivist - Gene Stephenson

Gene Stephenson, our new Archivist will continue in the creative process and we look forward to his contributions as we move forward in the digital world. If you take a good photo at a PROBUS event, perhaps you can share it with **Gene Stephenson** for the Archives.

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. **Remember also the membership fees due this month**



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 September's meeting. Think about secretly submitting a photo of your youth to the editor.

NOTE:

PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS FOR OCTOBER'S NEWSLETTER BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2014
(Yes, that is earlier than usual)
and use the email address:
t.donohue@rocketmail.com

NEXT GENERAL MEETING WILL BE ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7 AT THE WASAGA STARS ARENA. COME AT 9:30 FOR COFFEE.

