



The Wasagan



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OUR 10TH ANNIVERSARY YEAR JUNE 3, 2003 – JUNE 3, 2013



JULY'S GENERAL MEETING



Today: Marian Ritchie and Alzeimers



President Betty Baker

President's Message

Well, folks it is now July and I do feel that summer has finally come - and I hope it stays until December 1st and then snow for Christmas. "Oh wouldn't that be lovely." We have had a wonderful 10th Anniversary. I guess those who have been with the Club that long are wondering where the time has gone. Why does it have to go so fast once we all get older? A question we will never have the answer for. There are a few more names that need to be added to the Management Committee and by the end of this meeting I am sure they will all be filled. Always the optimist I am.

I hope everyone is keeping well and those that have not been too great - get better soon. Enjoy the weather and be grateful for all

the wonderful things we have. 

THANK YOU TO OUR GREETERS FOR JUNE: BETTY AND CHARLIE BAKER

If you wish to be a greeter, please speak to **Betty Baker**.



*Probud Director of District 5 John Flood presented a 10th Anniversary plaque to President **Betty Baker**.*

Thanks for a Successful Celebration

The Anniversary Committee would like to thank all of the members who gave us a 'thumbs up' celebrating our 10th Anniversary celebrations. We sincerely hope everyone enjoyed the day we put together for Beachcombers and are happy to report we came in well under budget.

Our sincere thanks go to the Probud ladies who **Judy Morrison, Luci Worch, and Judy Hutton**. We could not have done this without their hard work behind the scenes and

appreciate their dedication. Your 10th Anniversary Committee included the following members: **Marilyn Ruse, Rickey Lemire, Gene Stephenson, Tom Donohue and Betty Keyes.**

SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CELEBRATION



The ladies behind the scenes: from left **Rickey, Luci, Judy, Betty and Marilyn** plating the lunch



Everyone seemed to enjoy the delicious food



Rickey Lemire presented President **Betty Baker** with a special Beachcombers Probus pennant.



The entertainment begins: the clapper caper – a humorous detective mystery featuring **Bob and Brian.**



Wasaga Beach's Pearly King and Pearly Queen (**Don and Marian**) gave clever and cheeky renditions of some old tunes.
2 **Don** also sang "Sunrise, Sunset" and "On the Street Where You Live"



*Word-smith **Kathy** mangled our language in a funny routine.*



***Doris** did an amusing “Barbara” shtik called “Second Hand Rose.”*



*Who will ever forget **Christine’s** hilarious take on Patsy Cline’s famous song “She’s Got You” – LEFT and doing her best Elvis interpretation singing, “Are You Lonesome Tonight?” - RIGHT*



***Doris** and **Brian** played seniors with memory issues in a skit called “Write It Down.”*



Members loved the show and showed their appreciation.



The Anniversary Committee members take a bow: L to R Rickey, Gene, Tom, Betty and Marilyn.



Our first President Diane Nagel related the first year experience.

Gratitude for sharing their talents: from left: Doris, Christina, Marian, Don, Kathy, Bob, Brian and Marilyn thanking them after their stellar performances.



All the Beachcombers Probus presidents were available for a photo one day earlier this year and don't they make a handsome group? Left back row: Don, Tom, Ray, Betty and Gene. Front row from Left, Luci, Christina, Diane and Bob.

Thank you for your service.

SOCIAL

PAST SOCIAL EVENTS

Tour of Toronto Harbour and Old Mill Lunch – Tuesday, June 25 – This event, which was planned and organized by Probus at the Beach, was well attended and much enjoyed by all participants.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Probus Summer Picnic – Wednesday, July 17, 2 pm

Wasaga Sports Park – \$16.00 per person – Bring your cheque book on July 2 because that will be your last chance to buy tickets for his popular event. There will be lots of games to play and snacks to munch. As well, Tim Knorr of T.K. Catering is returning this year to again cook us up a delicious meal.

Kings Wharf - 2:00 PM on August 29 “Johnny and June”

Previous reports that this event had been sold out were mistaken. There are still a few tickets available for your purchase at our July meeting. It is always an enjoyable show at \$36.16 per person.

Beachcomber Probus Golf Tournament & Dinner

Thursday, September 19, 1:30 pm

Shotgun start – Marlwood Golf Club \$60.00 for 9 holes of golf with cart plus dinner for 36 golfers. Dinner only tickets are also available for \$25. If you want to golf please don't delay buying your tickets. We would hate to have to cancel this event.

A Special Social Committee Notice

With the new membership year fast approaching, the social committee would again like to invite several more members to join us in the planning and staging of events and activities. If you want to get more involved with your club, this is a fun and important way to do it. Give it some thought. Thanks.

THANK YOU TO MARILYN RUSE FOR MAKING THE MEETING ROOM SO WELCOMING!

First Edition Book Club



In June, the First Edition book club read The Snow Child by Eowyn Ivey. The story is about Jack and Mabel, a couple in their early 50s who take advantage of cheap land to build a homestead in Alaska in the 1920s. The work is backbreaking, the winters are brutally cold and their isolation only reminds them of the child they lost several years ago. One day they build a snow child in the form of a little girl. Soon they see a mysterious girl appearing near the cabin. Her name is Faina, and real or not, she

becomes a fixture in the couple's lives. She is like a daughter to them and her presence helps to brighten their marriage. Her skills in surviving in the Alaskan wilderness help the couple to overcome some of their hardships. A neighbour, Esther and her family, play a large part in providing some comical relief in this fairy tale/folk story. Or is it all a dream? The ending is both surprising and yet predictable. The members of our book club had mixed opinions on this book and rated it 3.5 out of 5

JUNE LUCKY DRAW WINNERS



1st prize of \$85.00 ---- Janet Wright
2nd prize of \$55.00 --- Sheila Ewing
3rd prize of \$34.00 ---- Linda
Vanderknokke

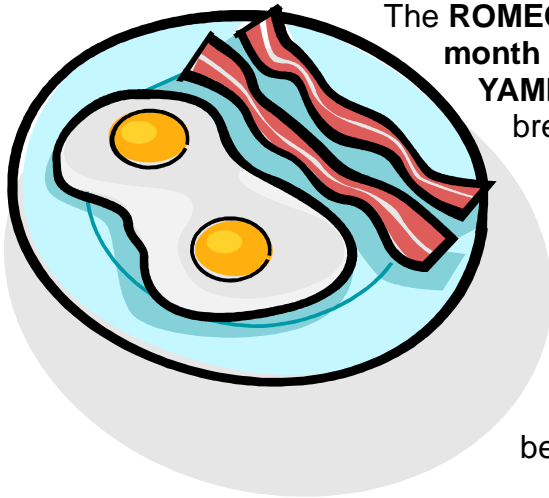
A Gift Certificate for \$40.00 for Canadian Tire was won by Dave Marshall.

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

Lucky winners Dave, Janet, Sheila and Linda

ROMEO (MEN'S) BREAKFAST GROUP

The **ROMEO MEN'S** Breakfast group meet on the **last Wednesday of the month** for fellowship and a good breakfast. In **JUNE**, the group met at **YAMMAS GRILL** on **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2013 at 9:00 AM** for breakfast.



In **JULY** we will be meeting for breakfast at the **SUNSET GRILL** on **July 31, 2013 at 9:00AM**. This will be our first time having breakfast there as a group. They tell me that they have served groups before, and will be looking forward to serving us. We have 24 on our list, and we average about 18 for breakfast. If you wish to join us for the first time call **Bob Bowyer** at 705-429-0579. We try to give them an approximate count a few days before as to how many will be attending.

Yearly Probus fees (\$25) are due this month postdated to August 1.

See Judy at the membership desk.

BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

July

Best wishes to all those who celebrate in July.

Goodwill

Cards were sent out to **Bette Stanley** and **Ray Dimock**. Sorry if we missed you and you are feeling poorly. Please pass information regarding sickness, hospital stays, or death of a member to our Goodwill Convener, **Shirley Brett**. If you don't tell us, we may miss sending out a card.



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**. If you don't tell us, we may miss sending out a card.

Our New Member Ambassador, **Betty Keyes**, is always available to give you information about our Club and its activities. PROBUS CANADA WIDE BULLETIN BOARD. A bulletin board posting is available to Probus Clubs. The address is www.probus.org/bulletin.htm. When you are unable to attend a meeting, you can access your copy of *The Wasagan* at www.probus.org/13wasbcn.pdf (Please contact the *The Wasagan* Editor if you do not have a computer)

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, step up and let us know. Most of us would also love to hear from you regarding a hobby or a trip you may have taken. If you bring photos to support your presentation, all the better.

MEMBERS WHO PRESENT THEIR PROFILE WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAW FOR A FREE BEACHCOMBERS PROBUS MEMBERSHIP!

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

If you are considering organizing any type of interest group, please approach the Management Team. Special interest groups are open to Beachcombers Probus members only.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

SPECIAL INTEREST	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NO.	SPECIAL INTEREST	CONTACT NAME	PHONE NO.
Afternoon Luncheon Cuisiners	Joan Maloney	422-0573	Happy Bookers Club	Jan Bivall	429-7584
Genealogy Group	Sandra Hanson	422-0227	Kitchen Bridge	Betty Keyes	429-6064
Daytrippers	Betty Keyes	429-6064	ROMEO - Men's Breakfast	Bob Bowyer	429-0579
Dinner at our Place	Steve and Jan Bivall	429-7584	Restaurant Dinner Club	WE NEED YOU NOW	
First Edition Book Club	Bette Montgomery	429-6854	New group, anyone?		

AND if you are interested in joining any of the special interest groups below, 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 some interesting information regarding your group or submit a good, short joke and/or a photograph, please contact the newsletter editor **Tom Donohue** by email at this special address at least a week before the next monthly meeting: t.donohue@rocketmail.com

Upcoming Speakers

It has been decided to give you advance notice of who the speakers are and their areas of expertise so you can prepare for the meeting and perhaps even send questions in ahead of the meeting to assist the speaker with specific areas of interest. If there is a specific topic of interest you would like to cover please contact Marilyn Ruse (422-0271) or Irene Donohue (429-0644).

AUGUST – Jan and Steve Bivall present their trip to Asia.

MANAGEMENT TEAM for 2012-2013

President	Betty Baker	422-1909	Membership	Judy Morrison	429-6611
Vice-President	Ron Hanson	422-0227	Refreshments	Susan & Brian Passmore	422-1956
Past President	Gene Stephenson	422-0201	Lucky Draw	Joanne Scruton	422-0976
Secretary	Vincy Stephenson	422-0201	Goodwill	Shirley Brett	429-8907
Treasurer	Dan Squires	429-4765	Archives	Sandra Hanson	422-0227
New Members	Betty Keyes	429-6064	Social	Bryan Stephenson	422-0037
Speaker/Profiles Chair and Decorations	Marilyn Ruse	422-0271	Newsletter	Tom Donohue	429-0644

DEADLINE for submissions for August's newsletter is Friday, July 26th

DO YOU RECOGNIZE THIS MEMBER?

This little girl is one of our Probus members. She is a few years older now. Anyone recognize her? We will learn her identity in the July 2nd meeting. Do you have a photo of you at an early age? Secretly submit it to the editor.



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

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 2, 2013
RECPLEX**



HAPPY CANADA DAY, EH!