

Whitby/Brooklin Probus Club.
General Meeting # 21. 26th August 2015
Westminster United Church, Whitby.

Chair: Terry Brown

Secretary: Jane Brown

Agenda: Vice President Terry Brown called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Introductory remarks by the Chair:

- Today's greeters were thanked, Theresa Watson and Mary Betteridge offered to greet at the next meeting.
- Our current membership remains at 300, there are 21 people on the waiting list.
- One guest, Mr John Gammon was welcomed.
- Membership was reminded that the deadline for dues to be paid for the upcoming year is October 31st. Those members who have not renewed by that date will be deemed to have left the club and will be replaced by people on the waiting list.
- Theresa Watson introduced the nominees for executive positions. Membership was made aware that nominations are still open, but if none are received by September 8th, the people on the current slate will be acclaimed.

Social Events,

- Pat Caple & Claire deSousa as co-chairs of the Social committee talked about upcoming events:
- Today is the last day to buy tickets for the Murder Mystery evening on September 12th.
- On October 15th, our membership is invited to join the Oshawa Probus group on a trip to Ripley's Aquarium in Toronto.
- Another Trivia evening is planned for November 3rd, tickets will be available at the October meeting.
- Our 3rd annual wine and cheese Christmas event will be 2nd December. Tickets available later.

Interest Groups

- Trudy Semeniuk announced that we now have 22 active groups.
- The Toronto Walk to the distillery district was well attended and enjoyable
- On September 12 the group will taking the ferry to Toronto Island for another guided exploration..
- A new monthly bridge group - , a morning grey cells group, and a new marathon bridge group were announced.

Speakers

Russ Caple who is currently speaker chair, told the membership that the position of Speaker's Chair is not difficult, and is enjoyable.

He would welcome somebody to take over the position, as he is running for Vice President .

The next two months are already planned:

At the October meeting we will learn from Lyn Hodgson will speak about camp X, the spy training school in Oshawa, and at the November meeting Greg Bye, the son of member Doreen Bye, will talk about his life as a Major based with the United Nations.

Guest Speaker:

Russ then introduced our guest speaker, Elaine Charral, who is a certified handwriting analyst.

There followed an amusing and informative slide show about different styles of handwriting and the significance of various loops, hooks and T strokes. Elaine then analysed the samples of handwriting of some celebrities and also samples provided members.

Russ thanked Elaine for joining us, and providing food for thought.

50/50 Elaine then drew the 50/50 ticket . \$53.50 was won by Penelope Johnson.

Next meeting: Wednesday September 23rd 2015. at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment 12. noon.