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Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas Everyone.

Are you ready? Have you been good? Santa is checking his lists.

As I'm sitting here at my computer, I can just imagine the delicious smell of turkey cooking in the oven; the happy sounds of families getting together to celebrate this joyous time of year; and children gleefully anticipating Santa's arrival.

Yesterday, at sunrise I looked outside and saw a beautiful sight, the sun was shining on the glistening roofs of the houses behind us. I couldn't wait to get a picture of it before the sun rose higher in the clear blue sky. A sure indication it was going to be a cold day. So I sent Russ outside with my phone to take a picture!!!

Our Christmas party at Oshawa Golf and Curling Club was a tremendous success. The venue was perfect, beautifully decorated; the food was delicious and the DJ did a great job of entertaining us. Karen Lambert even had us up on the dance floor attempting to line dance. Russ and I, being beginners, gave up early, though some may think not early enough.

Our thanks to Karen Lambert, Jackie Brooks and the Social Committee for putting on such a grand event. Also, thanks to Dave Fowler and Jack Ballard for taking photographs which we hope we will be able to view on our Web Site.

We have received many requests to hold our annual Christmas party at the same venue again next year. Let the Social Committee know what you think.

The arrival of 2019 will bring many new chances to create and renew friendships within Probud, so get out and enjoy yourselves.

“Life is not measured by the breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away”

***On behalf of the Management Team
We wish you all a Merry Christmas
and a Happy and Healthy New Year***

Patricia Caple – President

UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKERS

Chair - Bev Fowler

Hope you all enjoy a delightful holiday season with family and friends!

January 23rd, TED BARRIS award-winning author, journalist and broadcaster returns to dazzle us with: "Dam Busters: Canadian Airmen and the Secret Raid Against Nazi Germany."

February 27th, PETER JENNINGS tells us about "Shark Assault: An Amazing Story of Survival"

SOCIAL EVENTS

Leaders - Karen Lambert and Jackie Brooks

Trivia - Tuesday Jan. 22nd at 6:30 pm. At Brooklin Pub. Six spots available. Contact Peter Garrett directly. No Snacks will be served. Price is reduced from \$12. to \$4. Cheque preferred but cash accepted. Nothing smaller than a loonie. Winning team runs the next Trivia evening. Winning team does not pay the \$4. for the event they run. Monetary value of the prizes may increase and there may be a prize for fourth place.

Abilities Centre tour – 55 Gordon St. near Victoria St. W., Whitby. Tuesday Jan. 15th at 1:30 p.m. \$5.00. Contact Jackie Brooks directly as some spots still available.

Cooking demo – Tuesday Feb. 12th, 1:00-3:00 pm. At Longo's Market in Ajax on 1 Rossland Road East near Harwood. \$33.92 includes tax. Sweet and savoury baking like tarts and scones will be demonstrated and then you get to eat. Seven spots left. Signup at January 23rd meeting.

NEW! NEW! Whitby Main Library tour. 405 Dundas St. W. Monday, March 18th at 2:00 p.m. \$5.00. "Life of a library book" presentation followed by a behind-the-scenes tour. Do you know how a book gets chosen by the library? Do you know how Melvin Dewey and Andrew Carnegie impacted libraries? Sign up at January 23rd meeting for the tour to find out. Tour maximum is 40 people.

NEW! NEW! VOS theatre in Victoria Hall, Cobourg. 55 King St. W., Saturday April 27th at 2:00 p.m. "Music Man". \$27.33 includes tax. 40 seats reserved. There's trouble in River City when a fast-talking salesman gets his heart stolen by the town librarian. This musical comedy is winner of six Tony awards. Signup at January 23rd meeting.

Please make cheque payable to PROBUS Club of Whitby-Brooklin, unless otherwise stated

Please bring your chequebook to every meeting so you don't miss out on a social event

Once we have cashed your cheque, no refund will be issued. You must find your own replacement

MEMBERSHIP

Chair - Fran Ballard

We are at 334 members now.

ART GROUPS

ART GROUP #2

Leader - Teresa Hupka

On December 5, Art Group 2 went to the Gardiner Ceramic Museum in Toronto .

January 23rd we will be hosting an art movie followed by lunch at a local restaurant.

BOOK CLUBS

BOOK NOOKERS

Leader - Barbara Carroll

Contact: Barbara - barbarakotyk@hotmail.com

December Meeting: Was December 11 – Hosted by Celeste Miller

Discussing: Behind Closed Doors by B. A. Paris

Our meeting was followed by a Christmas pot-luck social.

BREWSKERS (Beer Group)

Leader - David Fowler

There is no tour slated for December.

CREATE AND CHAT

Leader - Judy Bowring

Upcoming get-together - Thursday, December 13th; Hostess - Linda Stratton
Thursday, January 10th; Hostess - Pat Sturch

The Create and Chat group is currently full, but if you would like to be put on the 'wait list' please contact Judy Bowring.

BREAKFAST CLUBS

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB #1

Leader - Barbara Carroll

Our group will not be meeting in December but will resume in the New Year. Merry Christmas and happy holidays to everyone!

January 2019: Our next meeting will be on Jan.16th at the Symposium Restaurant in Ajax.
Additional information contact: barbarakotyk@hotmail.com (Membership is currently at capacity)

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB #2

Leader - Carol Cadan

We will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday January 22nd at the Food and Art restaurant in Whitby

GREY CELLS STIMULATORS GROUP

Leader - Jane Brown

The next Grey Cell Stimulators semester will start on January 17th. Email Jane if you want to sign up for some fun mind-games, memory exercises, quizzes and lots of laughs. \$20.00 for 3 months. - Whitbygreycells@gmail.com.

HIKERS GROUP

Leader - Dave Fowler

Contact David Fowler for details and to have your name added to the Hikers' Group list.
December 17th

NEWSLETTER

Chair - Alice Birtch

Deadline for submissions to newsletter 5TH OF EACH & EVERY MONTH

NEXT PROBUS WHITBY/BROOKLIN MEETING WILL BE

WEDNESDAY January 23rd, 2019

SHUTTERBUGS

Leader – **Barrie Brumwell**



HINT: "Don't pick up snap turtle on the side, only from the back".

TRAVEL BUDDIES

Leader - **Deborah Corbett**

The group for those looking for someone to travel with.

How it works: you submit your contact info (name, phone, e-mail) along with where you would like to travel (limit 4-6 countries/areas max). These are compiled on a listing of travellers and destinations and the list is distributed to all who have signed up. It's then up to you to get in touch with someone who wants to go somewhere you do - you decide if the two of you are compatible and whether your trip ideas gel. You then check out travel companies, make your bookings and off you go! Note that I will not be doing the match-making or booking trips for you - I'm not a travel agent. Happy travels.

WINE GROUPS

THE GRAPE ESCAPE

Leader - **Heather Baker**

For our November get together our group spent the weekend in Niagara Falls and Niagara-on-the-Lake. We enjoyed delicious meals and wine tasting at various wineries. The highlight of the weekend was dinner at The Watermark restaurant with a view of both the Canadian and American Falls. During dinner we watched Brazil's impressive entry in The International Fireworks Competition. We ended the evening off with an exciting but somewhat confusing visit to Fallsview Casino. We all decided that we don't need help with wine tasting but do need intensive instruction on using the slot machines!



INTEREST GROUP SCHEDULE

DAY	WEEK	TIME	ACTIVITY	CONTACT
MON	2 nd	PM	ART APPRECIATION 2	KAREN Lambert
	2 nd	PM	CREATE AND CHAT 2	ANN Gifford
	3 rd	AM	HIKING	DAVID Fowler
	3 rd	AM	SHUTTERBUGS	BARRIE Brumwell
	Every	AM	SUPERVISED BRIDGE	FRAN Ballard
	Every	AM	WALK WITH JACK	JACK Ballard
	Every	AM	INDOOR GOLF	DON Mills
	4 th	PM	BREWSKERS	DAVID Fowler
TUES	Every	AM	CYCLING GROUP	JOHN Patté
	1 st	AM	EUCHRE	MARILYN Dainty
	2 nd	AM	BOOK NOOKERS	BARBARA Carroll
	4 th	AM	WOMEN'S BREAKFAST 2	CAROL Cadan
	Every	PM	BOWLING	CATHY Duncan
	2 nd & 4 th	PM	KNITTING	LYNDA Smith
WED	2 nd	PM	LITWITS BOOK CLUB	FRAN Slat
	3 rd	AM	WOMEN'S BREAKFAST 1	BARBARA Carroll
	3 rd	AM	BREAKFAST FOR MEN	BOB Lewicki
	3 rd	PM	ART APPRECIATION I	NANCY Mills ANNETTE Hudson
	Varies		ART APPRECIATION 3	TERESA Hupka
THUR	1 st	EVE	BEER & BOARD GAMES	SUSAN Lotherington
	2 nd	AM	CREATE & CHAT 1	JUDY Bowring
	3 rd	AM	GREY CELL STIMULATORS	JANE Brown
	4 th	PM	CREATE AND CHAT 3	PAT Sturch
FRI	1 st	AM	HIKING	DAVID Fowler
	2 nd	PM	BID EUCHRE 2	JACKIE Brooks
	4 th	PM	BID EUCHRE 1	JACKIE Brooks
SAT	3 rd	EVE	GRAPE ESCAPE	HEATHER Baker
	3 rd	EVE	GRAPE EXPECTATIONS	KAREN Martin
	Varies	EVE	VINTAGE VINES	ANN Conroy ANN Pettitt
SUN	2 nd	PM	EUCHRE & POT LUCK	ANN Gifford