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Cliff Read  
President

## *Venue change for our regular August meeting*

**T**he Milton Sports Centre has just informed us that the Banquet Room will not be available for our August 19th meeting due to summer programs. Instead, we will be having the August meeting on the 26th, a week later than usual, at the Milton Memorial Arena in the Lions Club Hall. It is located at 77 Thompson Rd. on the second floor. There is elevator access.

We are also announcing that in honour of Canada Day, the July 15th meeting will be Canada themed since this will be our first meeting after July 1st. We will begin the meeting with a vocal rendering of O Canada. Any Escarpment singers who would like to help lead us in our National Anthem should let me know as soon as possible. Also, all members are encouraged to come to the meeting wearing Red and White. There will be a little reward for those members who remember. Anyone in red and white will get one extra 50/50 ticket when they make their regular purchase.

The Pan Am Organizing committee has contacted us asking if the Escarpment PROBUS group might be interested in receiving tickets to a variety of events. For the **Pan Am Games** these events might include opening ceremonies, track and field events, track cycling, soccer, and tennis. For the **Parapan Am Games** the events might include opening ceremonies, track and field events, track cycling, and wheelchair rugby. If and when we receive date and event details about these tickets an email will be sent to all members asking who might be interested in receiving them. They will be distributed on a first come first served basis in response to the email until there are no more tickets available.

As usual, there are a large number of events going on during the summer months. Let's hope that the weather cooperates in all our scheduled activities. 



*Watch your email next month  
for an exciting announcement to  
all members regarding the  
destination of our 2016 trip.*



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Stories and articles may be emailed to the Editor or submitted to any member of the Management Committee.

Escarpment PROBUS Club reserves the right to refuse, edit or change any copy or pictures submitted.

If you know someone who you feel would be interested in joining the Escarpment PROBUS Club please forward this Newsmagazine with our compliments.

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## Our July Speaker

### Diana Zlomislic

*Toronto Star Reporter*

Since joining the Toronto Star more than a decade ago, Diana Zlomislic has served the paper as both an editor and reporter. Her work on the Star's investigative team has explored the failings of Canada's correctional and healthcare systems.

In 2012, she accepted a three-month fellowship in Liberia with "Journalists For Human Rights", where she worked alongside local reporters to publish stories about political and corporate corruption in the war-torn West African country. 



## Our August Speaker

### John McDonald

*Historian*

John McDonald, local author and historian, will speak about the origin behind the names of many of the communities that make up Halton Region.

His colourful PowerPoint presentation includes several beautiful vintage and contemporary photographs of the area.

After four years of research McDonald also provides, for the first time, the life and times of William Halton, the man for whom our region was named and his many contributions to the development of Upper Canada (present day Ontario).

John was born in Milton and is a lifelong resident of Halton.

He has conducted extensive research throughout the Halton area since the early 1970's. This work has resulted in the publication of three books and numerous presentations to churches, schools, service clubs, historical societies as well as walking tours over the past 35 years. Halton Sketches was published in 1976 and Halton Sketches Revisited which was first published in 1996 is currently in its third printing.

After extensive research in England, Bermuda and Ontario a new book Halton's Heritage, introduced in October 2011, features the story of William Halton—the man our county (and region) was named for. This new book, which deals with the origin of place names, includes both written

and pictorial essays for over 70 settlements in Halton.

John is a founding member of the Esquesing Historical Society and has been supportive of the Milton Historical Society and was awarded the Ontario Heritage Community Recognition Program "Certificate of Achievement" in 2003.

He graduated from Ryerson Polytechnic Institute in 1971 and served as a Member of Council on both Halton Hills and the Region of Halton for a 10-year period commencing in 1978.

On February 9, 2013 John was recognized for his community efforts and historical research when presented with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal. 



### Halton's Heritage

William Halton and Halton County



John McDonald

“  
Try to learn something about everything and everything about something.”

Thomas Henry Huxley

## Wine and laughter at Auriel and Don's place

By Auriel Halliday - Correspondent

For this, our second time hosting the Grapenutters, we, or maybe that should read 'Auriel', decided to try something a little different.

With summer fast approaching, I decided to feature Rose wines from the South of France. I know nothing can beat a frosty bottle of Rose whilst seated at a cafe in Arles or Avignon...but why not stretch our imaginations just a little!

The three roses that I chose were; Delas Saint-Esprit Cotes du Rhone, at \$14.95, Famille Perrin Tavel, at \$19.95 and Remy Pannier Rose d'Anjou, at \$14.00.

As so often happens after the tastings, the wine with the highest score, the Rose d'Anjou with 142 points, was the cheapest! Second favourite was Cotes du Rhone with 139 and the most expensive, the Tavel, was last with 135 points.

Before the results were revealed I asked the Grapenutters to decide which part of the world produced these wines and which was the most expensive. Only one person got both answers correct and therefore won the prize, a miniature glass of wine to hang on the Christmas tree. So, congratulations to Udo Tomsom, the wine connoisseur of Britannia Road!

Now it was Don's turn to present two red wines and two white wines from another part of Europe. No clue was needed, as we served Tapas with these wines and I think it was easy to guess that Spain was the country of origin.

For the reds he chose Montecillo Rioja Reserva at \$18.95 and Castilla De Monseran Garnacha, Carinena at \$9.95. Both of these wines were enjoyed by nearly everyone and scored much higher than the Roses.



# PROBUS grape -nuts WINE TASTING CLUB

Our guests were then asked to choose the most expensive wine, Gillian was the winner. But the cheap little red won the highest score of the evening with 189 points, compared to the Rioja with 177 points. Once again proving that the more expensive is not always best, or that our group does not have sophisticated taste buds!

Then it was the turn for the Spanish whites Miguel Torres Vina Esmeralda and Rene Barbier Mediterranean White to hit the taste buds. The Miguel Torres from Catalunya, costing \$13.95 scored 167 points, beating out the slightly cheaper Rene Barbier, which scored 159.

It was now time for dessert and I think the Tiramisu, although not French, rounded off our evening with European flair. 🍷



“

I have nothing to declare except my genius.

”

Oscar Wilde

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## Lots for you to do and see this summer

By Liz Read - Activities Chair

After hearing the June speakers talk about their hobby of finding the locations of the artwork of the Group of Seven, our trip to the McMichael Canadian Art Collection quickly filled up. We're going on Thursday, Aug. 6 and having a private tour from 11:00 until noon followed by lunch at Aura by Cashew & Clive, the restaurant at the Museum. The location for this trip is 10365 Islington Ave., Kleinburg and it costs \$15 a person for the tour only. Buy your own lunch.

The trip to the Honey Bee Research Centre at the University of Guelph takes place on Thursday, July 16 at 1:00. The address is 308 Stone Rd. E. in Guelph (Townsend House) on the north side of Stone Road between Gordon St. and Victoria. Barbara Alderson will be on this tour with the medical questionnaires that the participants have filled out.

We are pleased to announce we're going to Ripley's Aquarium in Toronto on Wed. Sept 9 at 9:30. We'll be travelling on a mini bus that holds 23 passengers. Lunch is at the OverDraught Irish Pub on 156 Front St. where you'll order and pay for your own meal. The cost of the aquarium entrance and bus ride is \$36 per person. There are only a couple of places left at this point but we will take names for a wait list.

All aboard for fall colours on the Credit Valley Explorer Train on Thursday, Oct. 22. The trip leaves from the station at 49 Townline in Orangeville at 11:00. We've confirmed 16 paid seats in the dome observation car. Jim and Michelle Tschirhart will be at the station office to

pick up your tickets by 10:30 when boarding starts. The 74 km tour includes lunch (vegetarian, gluten free and diabetic diets can be accommodated upon request ahead of time).

The cost is \$74 a person. Since there are only 24 seats in total in the dome car, we cannot ensure that members who book at our next meeting will be able to join in. Please let Liz Read know as soon as possible if you are interested.

If you're a mystery buff, you'll particularly enjoy the Murder Mystery Lunch. The Love Bus is a three-act play that costs \$65 and you'll have a choice of beef, chicken or vegetarian main course. This event is being held at the Atrium Conference Centre, 5420 N. Service Road in Burlington (QEW and Burloak). Ron Millichamp has arranged this as a joint venture with the Oakville Probus. Mark Sunday Oct. 18 at 1:00 in your calendars.

And finally, the latest activity to be arranged is Appetizers at Sobey's. We've asked the chef to prepare recipes designed to provide inspiration to our Nosh@Night groups. You'll see a cooking demonstration and taste appetizers for \$20 a person, limit of 20 participants. The first date is Thursday, Nov. 12 at 11:00 to 1:00. If we find enough interest, the class can be duplicated for another group of 20 participants on another date. 📍



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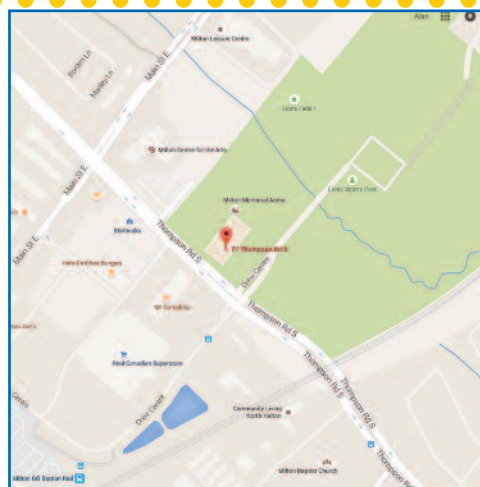
Talent does what it can; genius does what it must.

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Edward  
Bulwer-Lytton

### *Members . . . please note!*

*We shall be holding our PROBUS  
August meeting at the  
Milton Memorial Arena  
in the Lions Club Hall on the 26th  
. . . a week later than usual.  
The Arena is located at 77 Thompson  
Road on the second floor.  
There is elevator access.*



# Probiants test plonk

By Michael Hooker - Convenor

## June tasting results:

**Monday 1st June: John and Julie Flynn**

Theme: Wines from Pinot grape (Noir, Gris)

The Winner: Pierre Sparr Reserve Pinot Gris 2013 (France – Alsace). Score: 14.9. Price: \$16.95. LCBO: 983395.

Runner-up: Cono Sur Bicieta Pinot Noir Rose (Chile). Score: 13.6. Price: \$9.95

**Thursday 4th June: Auriel Halliday and Don Evans.**

Themes: Rose wines from South of France; Spanish reds.

The winner: Castilla de Monseran Garanca, Carinena (Red / Spain). Score: 14.5. Price: 9.95. LCBO: 73395.

Runner-up: Montecillo Rioja Reserva (Red / Spain). Score: 13.6. Price: \$18.95. LCBO: 621003.

None of the three Roses scored high.

## Volunteers

We have volunteer hosts for most of 2015.

*Here's the list so far:*

Thurs 2 July Ellen and Chris Wallhouse

Thurs 2 July Ann and Ron DuPont

Mon 6 July Norma and Martin Capper

Mon 3 August Michael Hooker

Thurs 6 August Gill and Bryan Reynolds

Thurs 6 August Patricia/Ron Flannagan

Thurs 3 September OPEN

Thurs 3 Sept. Auriel Halliday & Don Evans

Mon 7 Sept. Joanne and Ron Millichamp

Thurs 1 October OPEN

**Thurs 1 October (Ireland trip 22 Sept - 3 Oct – probably cancel this tasting)**

Monday 5 October Megs Shellard

Monday 2 Nov. Michelle and Jim Tschirhart

Thurs 5 Nov. Anna and Chris Strachan

Thurs 5 November OPEN

Thurs 3 December Liz and Cliff Read

Thurs 3 December OPEN

Mon 7 December Ellen and Paul Crawford

Volunteers for the open spots are welcome!

## July Tastings: (Our first with three tastings)

**Thursday 2nd July:** Ellen and Chris

Wallhouse – 7:00 pm

Add.: 2663 Limestone Road, Campbellville.

Phone: 905-854-9970

Email: ellen@wallhouse.ca

They can host 12 (Ellen/Chris: if I'm wrong, please let me know).

Limestone Road crosses Guelph Line, a kilometer or so south of Highway 401, Turn west on to Limestone Road; house is about 250 metres west of Guelph.

**Thursday 2nd July:** Ann and Ron DuPont – 7:00 pm

Address: 2170 Lower Baseline Rd, Oakville

Phone: 905-878-7188

Email: anndupont@bell.net

They can host 12.

Directions: Highway 25 south to Lower Baseline Road, Take Lower Baseline east about 1 kilometer. 2170 is on south side of road, just before road takes an abrupt right turn.

**Monday 6th July:** Norma and Martin Capper – 7:00 pm

Address: 82 Miles Street, Milton

Phone: 905-693-0354

Email: martin@martincapper.com

They can host 14.

Miles Street runs east off Bronte Street, south of Main (between Bell and Bronte).

When you pick your tasting, please let your host know directly. If your choice is full, try one of the others.

After the tastings I will follow up with the hosts to see how the new “three tastings” format went. 🇺🇸

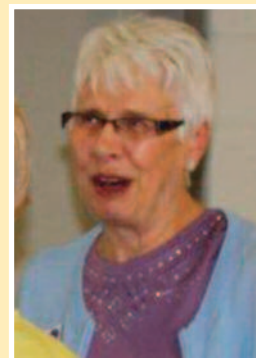
**PROBUS**  
**grape**  
**-nuts**  
**WINE TASTING CLUB**

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I have never killed anyone, but I have read some obituary notices with great satisfaction.

”

Clarence Darrow



## Our June Greeters

Megs Shellard and Michelle Tschirhart were our Pan Am Team who did a great job distributing hugs and big smiles.

Interested in volunteering for this job?

Please sign up at the Event Tables.



# Famous and infamous whiskies judged



By Chris Strachan - *Convenor*

Hello Probians, the D'Stillers third meeting since its inauguration in April was held at the home of Wayne and Suzanne Herder on Wednesday June 3rd, where the following Menu was appreciated.

1) Glen Breton Rare 10 years, 43%alc/vol. Bottled May 29, 2012. Canada's only single malt Whisky! This whisky was made in the Glenora distillery, Established in 1989 in Glenville, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. This company was the subject of a lawsuit by the Scottish Government over the use of the word 'Glen', Canada won!

2) The Dimple Pinch 15 years old, 40%alc/vol. This is a blended Scotch Whisky produced by John Haig & Company which was founded in Edinburgh, Scotland in 1893. Noted for its dimpled bottle and gold netting. Apparently there is a USA version that is 43%alc/vol.

3) Teachers Highland Cream 40%alc/vol. This blended whisky is a very popular whisky in Scotland. Teachers was established in Glasgow in 1830.

4) Johnnie Walker Black, 12 years old 40%alc/vol. It is noted as Extra Special Scottish blended whisky. Johnnie Walker was established in Kilmarnock in 1820.

5) Glenmorangie Traditional 57%alc/vol. This is a single malt whisky from the Glenmorangie Distillers which was established in 1843.

As the evening drew to a close we rated the whiskies in the following order.

1 – Tied for first place was the Glenmorangie Traditional and Teachers Highland Cream.

2 – Tied for second place was Johnnie Walker Black and Glen Breton Rare.

3 – Last but not least Haig's Dimple Pinch Testing noses for the evening: Chris, Martin, Alex, Peter and Wayne.

The July meeting of the D'Stillers will be held at the home of Martin and Norma Capper.



## Don't forget, book worms!

By Ellen Crawford - *Convenor*

More people are remembering to bring a book and some remember that they were supposed to when they see the table of books.

There are always books left on the table and I will continue to cart them back and forth.

If you see a book on the table and you have forgotten yours you may take a book and bring one at another time.



“

If you can't get rid of the skeleton in your closet, you'd best teach it to dance.

”

George Bernard Shaw

## Greeting Cards

If you know of a member who is ill, hospitalized or moving out of the area and not re-joining our club, please advise Lorrette Shermet at: [lorrette@sympatico.ca](mailto:lorrette@sympatico.ca) or 905-878-1293.







By Gloria Pennycook - Vice-President

The Zoomer Bloomers had a wonderful afternoon visiting Fern Ridge Landscaping and Christy Babcock's gardens. Fern Ridge is like an English garden on steroids!

The gardens are a mix of perennials, shrubs, trees and what some of us would call weeds. Yet it works, kind of a wild mix yet some very interesting plants.

In addition, we learned about some ecological gardening methods. Afterwards we had a wonderful tour of Christy's gardens, beautiful, pristine gardens with a large variety of plants and many colors. It was quite a contrast!

Everyone has a different view of what a beautiful garden should look like and that's what makes gardening so much fun.

*Below: a thistle and clematis surrounded by Zoomer Bloomers*



### *And the winner is!*

**Gillian Reynolds** was the lucky winner of the June Escarpment Probus 50/50 Draw.

**Gillian** won \$122.50 for a \$5 investment. Many thanks to all those of you who played.

*The 2nd Annual  
Escarpment Probus Anniversary Dinner*

*will be held on*

**Friday 11th September in the Grand Chalet on Steeles Avenue**

*The price is being held to the same as last year, \$45 per person for an Antipasto, Pasta, choice of Main Entree, Desert, Tea & Coffee with a bottle of Red and White wine at each table*

*Since he was such a hit last year we have gone ahead and booked Dr. J for this years event, so everyone can get on their dancing shoes and swing to the rhythm of Dr J.*





# ZOOMER BLOOMERS!

“

Dancing is silent poetry.

”

Simonides  
(556-468bc)

## *The Tulips are gone so . . . tiptoe through the Lilacs!*

**By Gloria Pennycook - Vice-President**

In May, the Zoomer Bloomers visited Royal Botanical Gardens to walk amongst the lilacs. Did you know that the RBG has the largest collection of lilacs in the world. The blooms and scents were amazing.

Then we had the extra bonus of visiting Hendrie Gardens to see the iris and peonies in bloom. Wow, what wonderful colors.

### **Upcoming events:**

July 22 @ 10:30 Tour of the Guelph Arboretum (1.5 hours) where we will see hundreds of different plant species; followed by lunch (cost \$6 per person plus lunch)

August 19 @ 1:00pm Day Lily farm with hundreds of varieties.

If you are interested in joining us in these activities, contact me at - [gpennycook@icloud.com](mailto:gpennycook@icloud.com). 🇺🇸



## *Le Tour de Paris*

**By Cliff Read - President**

**O**n Wednesday June 24 five of our PROBUS members made their way to Cambridge for the start of the second annual Tour de Paris.

After a few minor adjustments to our tires and brakes by our team leader, John Flynn, the team was ready to begin.

It was a perfect day for cycling, the sun was shining brightly, and there was a cool breeze.

At left is John with Cliff Read, Julie Flynn and Ellen and Paul Crawford enjoying lunch overlooking the Grand River. 🇺🇸





# THE SOCIAL SCENE

By Anna Strachan - Social Chair

The Annual Picnic was held at Lowville Park in Burlington on 17th June directly after our meeting. As promise by our President Cliff Read, the weather was great, neither too hot nor too cold and definitely, no rain.

For all the Picnic pictures, see Page 13.

Once we set up our area we feasted on Sandwiches from La Rose, a very popular Kale Salad and other salads from Costco, lovely cookies and tasty squares for dessert.

This was all made possible with the help of my wonderful team of Barb Finnie, Christy Babcock and Norma Capper. Thank you ladies it was a pleasure and thanks for making my job a lot easier. I should also like to thank all the individuals that helped in moving the 'stuff' from the parking lot to the campsite and back again, thanks all.

During the picnic we had fun playing games like Bocce, Ladder Golf, Mush Ball and the ever popular Scavenger Hunt. Many thanks to Cliff Read for spearheading the Mush Ball, Ron Millichamp for Ladder Golf and Sandra Bashford for the Scavenger Hunt. Last but not least the team of Ann and Ron DuPont for putting on a very professional game of Bocce including the score boards.

The winners were as follows:

The Draw Prizes: 1st Robyn Balfour, 2nd Ellen Wallhouse and 3rd Karolina Pironcov.

Bocce - Julie Flynn, Bryan Reynolds, Peter Lasota and Wilma Peer. A mini game of Bocce produced a second set of winners, Robyn Balfour, Rosalind Jordan, and Kamal Philips.

Mush Ball – Robyn Balfour and Paul Crawford.

Scavenger Hunt - Joanne Millichamp, Norma Capper, Barb Finnie, Christy Babcock and Josie Sandu.

Ladder Golf - Barb Finnie, Anna Strachan - We were unable to hold play-off games so the winner was decided by guessing a number selected by Gillie Reynolds, Barb guessed 5, which turned out to be the correct number, lucky me.

We also had a Guess the amount of Jelly Beans and Smarties in the Jars.

The Jelly Beans were won by Ellen Crawford and the Smarties by Lorrette Shermet.

On another note, some members have already begun to sign up for the Anniversary Dinner. The dinner is scheduled for 11th September at the Grand Chalet on Steeles Avenue and costs \$45 each for a four course meal, tea, coffee and punch, this also includes a bottle of white and red wine at each table.

The new group, Nosh Neighbours will be reconvening in September so hopefully, there will be some new members that wish to join this newly formed group.

All Nosh groups are invited to a combined Nosh at the home of Christy and Gary Babcock Wednesday, July 22nd. Any member of the Nosh groups interested in joining Christy and Gary must let their Convenor know they plan to attend. The Convenor will in turn contact Christy with the total number of persons from their group planning to attend.

Happy Noshing! 🇪



## Summer off for Euchre

By Lorrette Shermet - Convenor

**E**uchre and Bid Euchre will be taking a break over the summer months. We will resume again in September.

Euchre will continue the third Tuesday of the month and the first game will be held on September 15th at Lorrette Shermet's home at 1:00 p.m.

Bid euchre will now be played on the second Thursday of the month and the first game will be on September 10th at Grace Church, 317 Main Street in Milton at 1.30 p.m. We welcome new members to both games. 🇪

“

Good people do not need laws to tell them to act responsibly, while bad people will find a way around the laws.

”

Plato  
427-347 B.C.





## The First Edition

# Not too late for This Old Man

By Lorette Shermet - Correspondent

This month we read "The 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared" by Jonas Jonasson a Swedish author. Most of us gave this book a rating between 6 to 8 except for one who gave it a 2. Most of us found the book funny, quirky, an easy read.

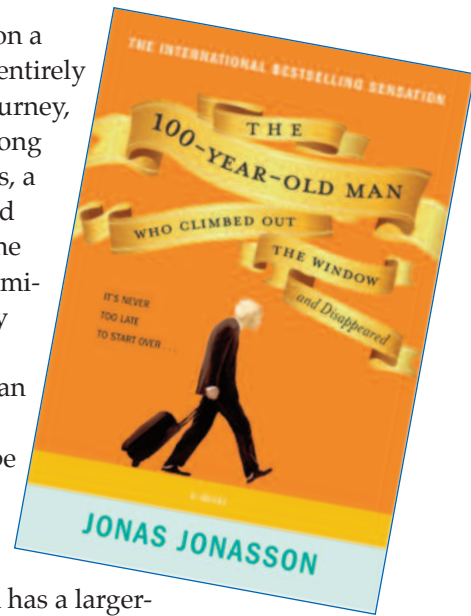
The book is about a reluctant centenarian much like Forrest Gump who decides it's not too late to start over . . .

After a long and eventful life, Allan Karlsson ends up in a nursing home, believing it to be his last stop. The only problem is that he's still in good health, and in one day, he turns 100. A big celebration is in the works, but Allan really isn't interested (and he'd like a bit more control over his vodka consumption). So he decides to escape. He climbs out the window in his slippers

and embarks on a hilarious and entirely unexpected journey, involving, among other surprises, a suitcase stuffed with cash, some unpleasant criminals, a friendly hot-dog stand operator, and an elephant.

It would be the adventure of a lifetime for anyone else, but Allan has a larger-than-life back-story: Not only has he witnessed some of the most important events of the twentieth century, but he has actually played a key role in them. Starting out in munitions as a boy, he somehow finds himself involved in many of the key explosions of the twentieth century and travels the world, sharing meals and more with everyone from Stalin, Churchill, and Truman to Mao, Franco, and de Gaulle.

Our group is taking a break for July and August and will resume again in September. 🇺🇸



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Never interrupt your enemy when he is making a mistake.

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Napoleon

**ESCARPMENT PROBUS CLUB**  
 MEN'S AND WOMEN'S COMBINED CLUB  
 Dedicated to Fellowship and Participation

Join us every 3rd Wednesday of the Month  
 Commencing at 9:30 a.m.  
 at the Milton Sports Centre

You are cordially invited to attend any of our monthly meetings.  
 Enjoy a coffee and hear our speaker. We have many great  
 activities and social events where you can meet great people.

OUR WEB SITE: [www.escarpmentprobus.com](http://www.escarpmentprobus.com)

These are just a sample of the many activities and social events you can attend

Nosh 'N' Natter - Trail Walkers - Book Clubs - Gardening Club  
 Bridge Club - Golf Club - Euchre Clubs - Lunch Bunch  
 Wine Clubs - Movie Clubs - Cribbage Club - Writing Club  
 Ravenous Readers - Quilting Club - Whisky Club - Travel

CONTACT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Spread the word with Escarpment PROBUS Club Promotion Cards

How often have you been talking to friends or neighbours and mentioned that you belong to PROBUS? "What's that" they say. "It's a great club for people who enjoy an active and interesting life with many outings and activities" says you.

They are interested, but what happens next?

Here's the answer.

Carry a couple of the cards above, present it to interested

people and have them attend our next PROBUS meeting. All the information is on the card along with our web site which contains everything you need to know about Probus Clubs.

If you would like them to contact you, turn the card over and fill in your name, telephone or email and have them contact you. Easy-peasy!

Help yourself to the business-size cards on the Membership Table at our next regular meeting. 🇺🇸



# What a marvellous day!

## Escarpment Probus Summer Picnic







## Russian theme recommended

By Chris Strachan - Correspondent

The Sequel Book Club held its monthly meeting at our home on Wednesday 10th June.

The book reviewed was *The Winter Palace* by Eva Stachniak. The theme of the book is how Catherine the Great came to power. The story is a fair assessment of the lifestyles of the Russian people from Peasants to the Tsars as told through the eyes and ears of a Polish girl who rose through the ranks and earned Catherine's gratitude for her services.

The club members would recommend this novel as they found it an enjoyable read.



The July meeting will be held at the home of Joanne Millichamp on Wednesday July 8th 2015 where the book up for discussion will be *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd. 📖



Human history becomes more and more a race between education and catastrophe.



H. G. Wells



## So spoiled say social sitters and sippers

By Paul Crawford - Program Chair

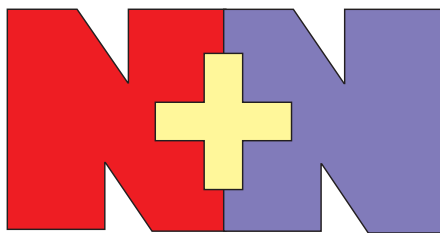
Twenty five well sated souls savoured an evening of scintillating socializing sitting and standing around the swimming pool at Anna and Chris Strachan's.

We look forward to the Super Nosh at Christy and Gary's home on July 22. Next Nosh@Night at Rosalind and Alan's place on August 28. 📖

## Cool out but warn in!

By Julie Flynn - Correspondent

We had a great night on June 5 with 14 people attending. Lots of talking and laughter, helped along by wine and yummy appetizers. Too cool to be on the deck, so we all crowded into the living-dining room. 📖



### Cheque us out!

Please remember to bring your cheque book to all the Probus meetings if you would like to sign-up for any of the activities.

Thank you.



# Murder Mystery by A Comedy Conspiracy



**Sunday October 18th, 2015 at 1:00 pm**

## **Murder Mystery Timeline of Events**

- 1:00: Meet & greet - cash bar. Chat with the actors and view any clues provided – you are the detective!!
- 1:45: First Course Served
- 1:55: ACT 1 - Characters & relationships introduced - pay close attention!!
- 2:10: Main Course Served
- 2:35: ACT 2 - **MURDER**
- 2:50: Dessert & Tea / Coffee Served
- 3:10: ACT 3 - Investigation, audience balloting, arrest (hopefully) and awarding of prizes for winning ballot & best costumes

## **Main Course Choices: Beef, Chicken, Vegetarian**

Location: The Atrium, 5420 North Service Road, Burlington

Cost: \$65.00 p/p Including Lunch & Murder Mystery

Payment Must be Made at Sign-up to Reserve your Spot

Please see Ron Millichamp at the Activities Desk to sign up  
or contact Ron at [ronmillichamp@hotmail.com](mailto:ronmillichamp@hotmail.com)

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A mathematician is a device for turning coffee into theorems.

”

*Paul Erdos*

## **Membership**

If any of your contact information needs to be updated or corrected, please contact

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*Membership Chair,*

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OR 905-875-0859



# ESCARPMENT PROBUS CLUB - CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EVENT	DAY OF THE MONTH	MEET AT	CONVENOR
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## JULY 2015

Auto Tour	7 July, Tuesday	Milton Sports Centre	Ron Millichamp
ESCARPMENT PROBUS	15 July, Wednesday - 9:30am	Milton Sports Centre	Cliff Read
Townsend Bee Centre	16 July - Thursday	TBD	Barbara Alderson
Nosh+Natter	1st Friday - 5:30-8:30pm	Combined this month only	Michelle Tschirhart
Wine Tasting - GrapeNuts	1st Monday & Thursday - 7:00pm	Various	Michael Hooker
Bridge Club	1st Tuesday	TBD	Elinore Shannon
The D'Stillers - Whisky Club	1st Wednesday - 7:00pm	The Capper's Home	Chris Strachan
Piece Makers - Quilting Club	1st & 3rd Monday	Susan Holloway's Home	Diane Comstock
Book Club - First Edition	2nd Monday - 1:00pm	Lorrette Shermet's Home	Paul Crawford
Card Sharp Cribbage Club	2nd Monday - 7:00pm	The Capper's Home	Martin Capper
Probus Executive Meeting	2nd Wednesday - 7:00pm	The Millichamp's Home	Cliff Read
Book Club - Sequel	2nd Wednesday - 10:00am	The Millichamp's Home	Fay MacDonald
Golf Club-Probus Pin Seekers	Every 2nd Thursday	Burlington Springs GC	Ron Millichamp
Oscar Nights - Movie Club	2nd Tuesday 7:00pm	Milton Galaxy Cinemas	Robyn Balfour
Euchre	Summer Hiatus	Patricia Kotack's Home	Lorrette Shermet
Bid Euchre	Summer Hiatus	Grace Anglican Church	Lorrette Shermet
Ravenous Readers Recycling	3rd Wednesday	Milton Sports Centre	Ellen Crawford
Nosh@Nite	4th Friday - 5:30-8:30pm	Combined this month only	Paul & Ellen Crawford
Zoomer Bloomers	4th Wednesday - 1:00pm	Various	Gloria Pennycook
Lunch Bunch	3rd Wednesday - Noon	TBD	HRH Catherine Parr
Inklings - Writing Club	Summer Hiatus	Summer Hiatus	Gillian Reynolds
Track & Nordic Pole Walkers	Mondays & Fridays - 10:30am	Milton Sports Centre	Liz Read
Trail Walkers	Tuesdays - 1:00pm	Various	Pat & Ron Flannagan

## AUGUST 2015

Group of Seven Tour	6 August, Thursday	McMichael Art Collection	Liz Read
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## MEMBERS - PLEASE NOTE AUGUST PROBUS MEETING ONE WEEK LATER 26 AUGUST AT LIONS CLUB HALL

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Bridge Club	1st Tuesday	TBD	Elinore Shannon
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Book Club - Sequel	2nd Wednesday - 10:00am	No meeting this month	Fay MacDonald
Nosh@Nite	4th Friday - 5:30-8:30pm	The Jordan's Home	Paul & Ellen Crawford