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FOR MEMBERS OF THE
ESCARPMENT PROBUS CLUB
MILTON, ONTARIO, CANADA

PICNIC SEASON

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We get to 'Test Drive' other Clubs



Martin Capper
President

Our June meeting coincided with the arrival of Summer and our activities begin to take on a summer bias with events like lawn bowling, kindly and most graciously hosted by the Milton Lawn Bowling Club, Bocce Ball to be hosted by the Italian Canadian Club of Milton. It is good to see our Club interfacing with other Clubs in the community. It both introduces other Clubs to ours and also lets our members “test drive” other clubs. I have to confess having had so much fun at lawn bowling I am tempted to join that club!

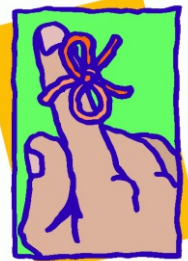
Summer is a time for picnics and out door eating and fun and so in July we will have our Annual picnic at Lowville Park. Due to other commitments I have not yet been able to attend any of our previous picnics so am looking forward to enjoying my first picnic with our Probus members.

I would also like to let our members know that Robyn’s efforts to find us a better location appear to be bearing fruit and as I mentioned at our June meeting we are getting close to finalizing arrangements to move later in the year. I don’t want to “jinx” it by mentioning the location before arrangements are finalized but I expect this to happen in the next few weeks. In the meantime, I would like to thank you all for making the most of our current accommodation.

Remember, Gloria and her nominating committee are still working hard to put together a slate of candidates for the vacancies which will come up shortly on our management team and I would encourage you not to be shy and to step forward. I can promise you that you will find it a rewarding experience!



Our annual picnic will be on July 19. See page 5 for details. Photo is from last year's picnic.



Just a reminder that there is no General Meeting of our club this month!

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Our July Speaker

There will be *no* July speaker as there will be no July General Club Meeting.

Our August Speaker

The Bruce Trail Conservancy - Celebrating 50 years of Conservation



Beth Gilhespy has had a passion for the Niagara Escarpment and the Bruce Trail all her life. An avid hiker and amateur geologist, she became a volunteer on the Bruce Trail Conservancy (BTC) Environment Committee in 1993, eventually becoming CEO. She will showcase the history and work of the Bruce Trail Conservancy against a backdrop of images and stories about the Niagara Escarpment. Participants will learn the origins of the BTC as a conservation organization, its role in Escarpment land protection, and be treated to a virtual hike of the Bruce Trail from Niagara to Tobermory.

“
To succeed in life, you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone.”

~ Reba McEntire

Our September Speaker



Financial Planning in Retirement

Reinaldo and Tammy are partners in their Financial Planning Practice at Investors Group - based out of Newmarket. Together, they have almost 30 years of experience in helping their clients identify, implement and monitor holistic financial plans, specializing in retirement, risk and estate planning. There both carry the

designations of "Certified Financial Planner" as well as "Certified Professional Consultant on Ageing".

Their presentation discusses Wills, Powers of Attorney, Executors and their roles and responsibilities, as well as taxation in retirement and ways to reduce the amount of taxes paid out, both during living years and at the time of death.

More Eating than Playing

By Jeanne Reid - Convenor

Our June 6th bridge match was held at the home of Elinore Shannon, There were 12 keen players vying for the \$7.00 top prize. Jeanne Reid was the winner with Joan Hardman coming second.

Elinore served up an array of sumptuous treats. We probably ate more than we played. A great afternoon.

Our July 4th bridge will be at the home of Wayne Heath.





Join Us in these Events

By Sandy Cannell - Activities Chair

The July meeting is the picnic and since many of our events are on a time-line we will have an Activities table set up at the picnic for sign ups and payment, so please don't forget to bring your cheque book.

Ramblin Road Brewery Tour, Lunch at Charles Dickens Pub, Gunn Hill Artisan Cheese Factory Tour - Tuesday August 1st. You may still sign up at the Picnic on July 19.



Lawn Bowling - Thursday, August 17th. We had a fun-filled outing to the Milton Lawn Bowling Club on June 8th (See photo gallery on page 13). Several instructors were present to help all the Probus novices figure out how to hold the bowls (who knew they weren't round?), place our feet properly and obtain the correct swinging motion to actually propel the bowls across the green.

It was quite a warm day and we enjoyed the treat of cookies and refreshments provided by the club during our break. We have now arranged for a second outing on Thursday, August 17th. Instruction starts at 1:30 pm. Please wear flat soled shoes. \$5.00 fee.

Bocce: We have organized 2 days to try out Bocce at the Canadian Italian Club of Milton, at 104 Tremaine Road, Milton.

There is a maximum of 32 people for each date. The first date of ***Wednesday July 5th is sold out*** (rain date to be decided).

The Italian Canadian Club of Milton is ***now unable to accommodate us on Tuesday August 29th***, the original date of the second event.

The ***NEW DATE for the August bocce is now TUESDAY AUGUST 22*** (rain date is ***Wednesday August 30***). There is still room for 4 more to sign up.

If you have signed up for the August event and are unable to attend on Tuesday August 22 please let Sandy Cannell know at 647-927-2275 or sandycannell@gmail.com.

Both events start at 3:00 with pizza and fruit at around 5:00-5:30. The cost is \$15 per person, this covers the use of the facility, coaching and the food (pizza and fruit). Cash Bar will be open.

Famous People Players: - Wednesday, September 27th - starting at 11:30 am. This company of people with disabilities has won accolades all over the world for their black light and puppet ensemble. The theatre is located in the Kipling & Evans Ave. area in Toronto (#427 & the Gardiner).

During their new show "MADE IN CANADA" a beautiful Maple Leaf, voiced by Dan Aykroyd comes to life and takes us on a musical journey from province to province. You will be wowed by the animation of the stunning props and this musical that will capture your imagination. This new production captures the heart and soul of our country and is a tribute to our many Canadian artists and inventors on this our 150th birthday. See AD on page 16.

Tickets are \$60 per person which includes taxes and tip for the lunch and show.

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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



Activities, Continued ...

Elvis The Wonderful World Of Christmas: Graceland Edition:

Sunday December 10. Featuring Steve Michaels (aka formerly known as Stephen Michael Kabakos). He is an international award-winning tribute artist and actor based out of Milton, Ontario. He played Presley in 2014 and 2016 to rave reviews in a show called Return to Grace, at the Ed Mirvish Theatre in Toronto.

This is on **Sunday December 10, 2017 at 7:30 pm** at the First Ontario Arts Centre here in Milton.

The cost is \$49.75 per person, we have reserved 40 tickets.

Since this is a very popular show the theatre is requesting payment by September so the last day to sign up and pay will be at the August meeting. *See AD on page 16.*



Picnic and Dinner Dance up Next

By Julie Flynn - Social Chair



ANNUAL PROBUS PICNIC



July 19, 11:00 am, at Lowville Park.

Don't forget a lawn chair, water bottle, sun shade if you have one and sun screen.

Get ready for games, scavenger hunt, face painting and a BBQ catered by Troy's Diner.

Forgot to get your ticket? Please call Julie Flynn at 905-399-1996.

ANNIVERSARY DINNER/DANCE

September 15, 6:30 pm at the Grand Chalet, Steeles Ave, Milton

Tickets will be available at the picnic and at the August meeting. \$50 per person. Includes choice of entrée, wine with dinner and entertainment by Rockin' Robin. Please join us for a great evening with your Probus friends.



One Liners

- Just read that 4,153,237 people got married last year; not to cause any trouble but shouldn't that be an even number?
- Today a man knocked on my door and asked for a small donation towards the local swimming pool. I gave him a glass of water.
- A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight, live longer than the men who mention it.

- Relationships are a lot like algebra. Have you ever looked at your X and wondered Y?
- Did you know that dolphins are so smart that within a few weeks of captivity, they can train people to stand on the very edge of the pool and throw them fish?
- I think my neighbor is stalking me as she's been Googling my name on her computer. I saw it through my telescope last night.
- Money talks ... but all mine ever says is good-bye.



D'Stillers Score 10/10

By Chris Strachan - Convenor

The D'Stillers met at Al Finnie's place where we were treated to a Whiskey Tasting by a representative of Beam Suntory, Michael Sheppard, who gave us a taste of six Suntory brands. We had a wonderfully enlightening evening with Michael at the helm, however we did not deviate from the D'Stillers way of rating the whiskies, following are our results.



The winner of the evening was **Auchentoshan** a Scottish Single Malt. Since we tasted this whiskey in Aug 2016 we will not comment again. Score of 78%

Coming in second was **Killbeggan Whiskey** an Irish Blend, this is in the January's 2017 report. Score of 77%.

Tied for Third place was **Suntory Toki** a Japanese Whiskey and Jim Beam an American Whiskey. Score 76%.

Next was **Knob Hill** an American Whiskey. Knob Hill whiskey was named after Abraham Lincon's boyhood home. Score 72%.

Last but not least was **Canadian Club 100% Rye Whiskey**. Score 70%.

In January of 2014, it was announced that Jim Beam would be purchased by Suntory Holdings Ltd., a Japanese group of brewers & distillers known for producing Japan's first whiskey. Suntory agreed to acquire Jim Beam, Maker's Mark, Teachers Highland Cream and Laphroaig distillery Scotch whiskies for approximately \$13.62 billion

Thanks to Al for hosting and to Barb for entertaining the DD's and supplying the goodies and coffee at the end of the evening. Thanks also to the DD's for a safe journey home.

Although Michael, the Beam Suntory Representative, is a young man he enjoyed hosting our group. We know this from the very nice email he sent to Barb when she thanked him for the evening. This a testament to the fact that even 'old' men can be a lot of fun:

I'm so glad you guys had fun! Honestly it was my favourite tasting I've ever done. You and all of the Probus guys were very pleasant to work with. A passion for whisky, good character and a sense of humour is everything I could have asked for. I gave the event a 10/10 on my report and there is no lying about that. I hope future events are just as entertaining for you and the boys! Cheers, Michael

The 5th July meeting of the D'Stillers will be held at the home of Keith and Marion Flowers.

On another note, five of the D'Stillers took part in the Jamesons Whiskey tasting held at 'Rad Bros' pub in Milton. A Jameson Whiskey representative informed us of the whiskies we tasted and explained a little of the history of Jamesons. We were impressed by his knowledge of the brands and found that he learned his trade in Jamesons Distillery in Dublin. This event proved to be a boisterous noisy evening, each whiskey was accompanied by different types of food. Very good value for the \$45 we paid.

It was too noisy for the DD's who went and sat outside on the patio, however a good night was had by all.



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Truth-tellers are not always palatable. There is a preference for candy bars.

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~ Gwendolyn Brooks, poet (7 Jun 1917-2000)

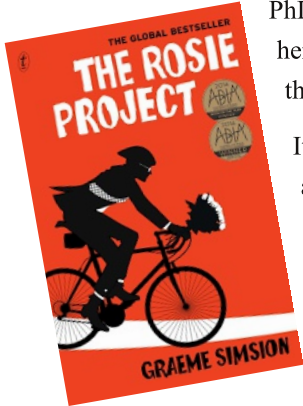
All's Well that Ends Well!

by Diane Armand - Correspondent

Members of The First Edition Book Club met On June 12th to review The Rosie Project written by Graeme Simsion.



The story line revolves around the quirky & lovable geneticist named Don Tillman. In spite of his social struggles due his Asperger's syndrome, he sets out to find a perfect life partner. He develops an elaborate questionnaire dubbed the Wife Project. He inadvertently connects with a PhD student named Rosie who is searching for her biological father & helps her with her Father Project. After several unscheduled & funny events, he comes to realize that his feelings cannot be explained by logic.



It's a clever, funny & heart-warming story. The members' ratings ranged from 8 to a majority of 10.

We also did a year-end rating of this year's readings. The majority of members voted the least enjoyed book was Changing my Mind by Margaret Trudeau. The most enjoyed was The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion.

Our Club will resume our meetings next September.



2018 ELBE RIVER CRUISE

By Joanne Millichamp - Convenor

Our cruise from September 25th to October 5th, 2018 is filling up quickly. This specially designed program includes an 8 day cruise from Berlin to Prague on a brand new paddle-wheeler. An extra day has been added on in Berlin, so that we have time to see all the main attractions.

Price includes round trip flights, all meals and all shore excursions. Also included are wine and beer with lunch and dinner and there is an open bar on-board. All gratuities are also included.

For further information or to obtain a brochure, contact: Joanne Millichamp - 289-878-2969.



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*Live and let live,
be and let be, /
Hear and let
hear, see and let
see, / Sing and let
sing, dance and
let dance. ... Live
and let live and
remember this
line: / "Your
bus'ness is your
bus'ness and my
bus'ness is
mine."*”

~ Cole Porter,
composer and
songwriter (9
Jun 1893-1964)



Tit for Tatting

By Christine Willekes - Convenor

On Wednesday June 14, the knitting group met at the home of Norma Capper. We shared some of our completed and “in progress” works. Wendy brought a tablecloth that she



inherited, showcasing the beautiful and delicate skill of tatting used to join the pieces of fabric and create a tablecloth. Seamus, after greeting each of us at the door, settled down to his spot under the table, to supervise.

We decided that we would not meet during the summer months but would begin again in September. Time and location is yet to be decided. Thank you Norma for the refreshments.



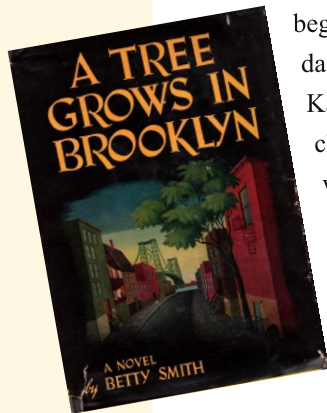
Uplifting Story of the Very Poor

By June Leach - Correspondent

This book was like a trip down memory lane for several of us because we had read it in our younger days. We all enjoyed the book, although some found it a bit of a sluggish read at times. We discovered that several of us had read an abridged version all those years ago and there was much more detail and juicy bits this time round.



The story is about 11 year old Francie Nolan who loved to read and her family, and life in Brooklyn beginning in 1912. The family was very poor but very loving, and the story weaves around their daily struggles and how they always faced their difficulties with acceptance and problem solving. Katie, Francie's mother, saw very early on that education was the key to a better life for her children. We had fun reminiscing about our own school experiences and upbringing. The family was very attached to a tree (the tree of Heaven) that grew seemingly without sunshine or much water, beside their home. It seems to be a symbol for how the Nolans hung on and remained hopeful through many many setbacks. The family members were always hopeful and looked toward a better future. Although there were constant struggles this book is actually uplifting in a way. There are many interesting family members and friends who help weave a picture of how life was for the very poor at that time. Here is a link to a website which gives a much more detailed description. [Click Here](#).



Bee Gees Taking a Summer Break

By Stephen Comstock - Convenor

The June get-together was cancelled due to summer conflicts with the players. The group will take the summer off, and we will recommence in September. We hope many new members will want to try the experience, and the existing members will be available.

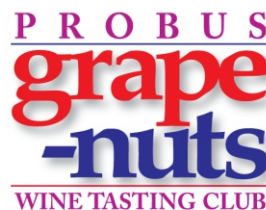




Grapenuts Dashboard

By Michael Hooker - Convenor

Every month, Grapenuts plays out our version of the medieval “Wars of the Roses”, the famous battles between the two great families of English royalty – Lancaster versus York, Red versus White. Except ours is played with wine bottles, with much less bloodshed and more conviviality and hilarity. In the Wars of the Grapenuts, Red is normally the clear winner; however in June at one of our tastings, White scored an upset (and decisive) victory!



Our June tasting results:

Host: Gill and Bryan Reynolds. Theme: Wines from alternate sources - not available at LCBO

Best White: Konzelmann Riesling (Wine Collective). Ontario. \$19.00. Score 14.0

Best Red: Villa Minelli Rosso - Merlot / Cabernet Sauvignon (Wine Collective). Italy. \$28.00. Score: 15.0

Host: Julie and John Flynn. Theme: Summer Wines

Best White: Alveda Vinho Verde. Portugal. LCBO 5322. \$10.60. Score: 14.3

Best Red: Beringer Cabernet Sauvignon. Score: 17.1 (LCBO # and price not available).

Host: Ellen and Chris Wallhouse. Theme: "Local" Wines (Niagara)

Best White: Open Winery Riesling / Gewürztraminer. Ontario. LCBO 134965. \$12.05. Score 15.5

Best Red: Chateau des Charmes Cabernet Sauvignon, Ontario. LCBO 37032. \$15.95. Score: 13.8

Grapenuts July tastings will be hosted by: Monday 3rd July: Megs Shellard; Thursday 6th July – Norma and Martin Capper; Wednesday 12th July – Auriel Halliday and Don Evans



Wine tasting June 1st at the Reynolds. Anna and Ron are getting "really into it" and Jim and Joanne look as if they are just about to spit it out.



Wine tasting June 14th at Ellen and Chris Wallhouse.





Photo Gallery - Our June Meeting



Our Greeters Ellen & Chris Wallhouse



Our 50/50 winner last month was Peter Lasota with \$124.



Fire Marshal Wayne Romaine talked to us about how fires are investigated.



Lunch at Eddie 'Os , on June 21st



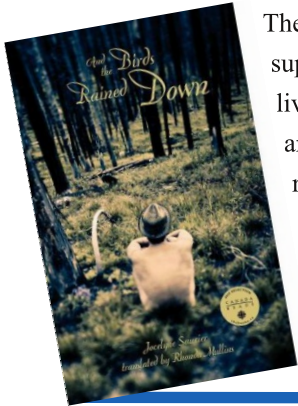
It's Raining Birds!

By Louise Ellis - Correspondent

Members of the Trilogy Book club met at the home of Louise Ellis on Wednesday afternoon, June 11th. What an interesting and enthusiastic discussion we had as we talked about *“And the Birds Rained Down”*, by Jocelyne Saucier, translated by Rhonda Mullin! The story begins when a photographer, looking for Ted Boyhuck a survivor of the Great Matheson Fire, stumbles on two elderly men, Tom and Charlie, living alone and separately in the bush.

They are living off the grid and survive by helping each other and with occasional support from two pot farmers, Bruno & Steve. Happy to live on their own terms, their lives slowly change as two women, the photographer and Bruno’s 82 year old aunt, arrive on the scene. Friendship, love, survival and freedom to make choices even in regards death are important themes in the book and sparked a lively discussion. We all enjoyed the book and would recommend it to others.

The next meeting of the Trilogy Book Club is on September 13th . George Orwell’s *“1984”* is the book that will be discussed. New members are welcome.



We Need You! Management Positions for 2017/2018

By Gloria Pennycook - Past president

If you were at our last meeting, you will know that I was actively recruiting for great volunteer opportunities on the Management Team. In order to ensure there is renewal and new ideas, half the Management Positions change every year. All of the Management positions are 2 years except for Vice President which is 3 years.

We are looking for enthusiastic people who want to help to make the Escarpment PROBUS Club a “Live. Laugh. Learn.” club. The time commitment on our management team is typically a few hours a month. The Management Team not only helps to guide the Club direction but is also a lot of fun!! Everyone pitches in and helps each other out.

Here are the 6 positions that we are looking to fill:

- 1) Vice President (male) - a 3 year term;
- 2) Treasurer;
- 3) Membership;
- 4) Activities;
- 5) Forum Newsletter;
- 6) Auditor (not on the Management Team, once per year audit required)

So far, no candidates have stepped forward for the *Activities Chair* and *Forum Newsletter Editor* roles. Please give some thought to contributing your talents and enthusiasm to the continuing success of our club.

You may download a Position Descriptions file at goo.gl/dWxw3x. Please copy and paste, or type this address into your browser to download a PDF description of the various roles.

If you have any questions or are interested in one of these positions, please email me at gpennycook@icloud.com. I will be happy to chat with you.

“

I've got a good mind to join a club and beat you over the head with it.

”

~ Groucho Marx





Sam 'n Ella Fright

By Ellen & Paul Crawford - Convenors

Mother Nature decided to cooperate and allowed 30 Noshers to enjoy the beautiful outdoor surroundings at Auriel and Don's home. As usual conversations, laughter, delicious appetizers and desserts provided an eclectic mix.

Two beautiful tiny ten week old kittens kept some of us animal lovers entertained. Every once in a while someone would jump and yelp as one of the little guys tried to climb up our bare legs with their needle sharp claws! Their names are **Sam 'n Ella** ... try saying that quickly.

The next Nosh will be July 28 at Ann and Ron Du Pont's home.



Jokers In Demand!

By Auriel Halliday - Convenor

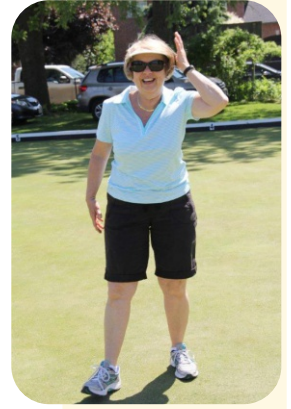


We are still looking for more Joker players to join our group. We play, in the afternoons of the 2nd Thursday of the month as well as the 4th Wednesday. It is a lovely, fun game and we always have a good laugh. Meeting the new kittens added to the afternoon. If you want to learn how to play, just call me and I can teach you. Contact Auriel Halliday at 905-336-2430.





Photo Gallery - Lawn Bowling on June 8th



Bring a Book - Take a Book

By Ellen Crawford - Convenor

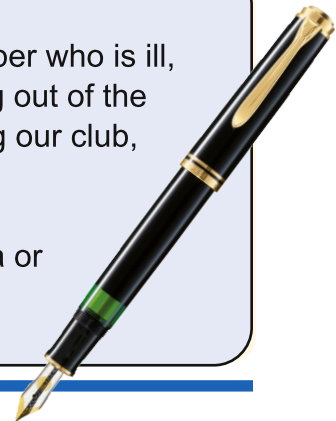
Enjoy your summer reading!

Ravenous Readers will resume in September.



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 or 905-878-1293.





Nosh n Natter June 2nd

By Ellen Wallhouse - Correspondent

An enjoyable evening June 2nd, with great appetizers, dessert and lots of laughs at Ellen and Chris Wallhouse's place!



Nosh n Natter June 9

By Gillian Reynolds - Convenor

Thirteen is unlucky for some, but not for the 13 Noshers & Natterers who were lucky with the weather when they ate and drank al fresco in Gill & Bryan Reynolds' back yard on June 9th. Later on there was the odd mosquito but luckily no gnats were seen at this Nosh & Natter event.



“

Blessed are the children of the piecemakers for they shall inherit the quilts!

”

~ Anonymous

Material! Material! And more Material!

By Diane Comstock - Convenor

The Piece Makers met on June 5th at Judy Nelson's home. We were joined by Barbara Alderson, who brought along samples of fabrics which she has available for the use of the club if we have projects that we would like to tackle. She has an impressive knowledge of fabric and fabric arts and we learned a lot from her. We have extended an invitation to her for our July meeting to follow up the last and review any fresh ideas we have since her presentation.



Quilting term of the month: **Batik Fabrics** – Made by covering an area of fabric with wax or other substance to prevent the dye from penetrating into that area. Hot water is used to remove the wax. Batiks usually have a high thread count so you should use a #12 Microtex needle.

Our next meeting will be at the home of Wendy Stringer on Monday, July 3rd. Anyone who quilts or would like to learn are welcome to join our meetings.



This Woman is a Wonder

By Marilyn Armstrong - Convenor

Four Probus ladies attended the movie, 'Wonder Woman' on Tues. July 13 and we were all quite surprised at the quality of the movie. We gave it a 4 1/2 star rating. The movie was extremely action packed and the 2 1/2 hour time just flew by. Some of us tried the special D seating, at the back of the theatre but felt, we might just fly right out of the seats, from the gyration (much like Wonder Woman flies, in the movie). Therefore, we quickly moved back to the regular seating area.

The movie takes place during WWII (note- Wonder Woman was created during that time period by a Psychologist, Dr. William Marston. He also created the lie detector



test during that time period. A lie detector test was used a few times, by Wonder Woman, in the movie which added lots of drama. Here is a link to read about the origin of Wonder Woman: [Click Here.](#)



This is the synopsis of the movie from the Galaxy Theatre Website.:

'Before she was Wonder Woman, she was Diana, princess of the Amazons, trained to be an unconquerable warrior. Raised on a sheltered island paradise, when an American pilot crashes on their shores and tells of a massive conflict raging in the outside world, Diana leaves her home, convinced she can stop the threat. Fighting alongside man in a war to end all wars, Diana will discover her full powers...and her true destiny.

After the show we enjoyed refreshments and critiqued the movie. We all definitely felt empowered, by watching the goodness and strength of Wonder Woman?

Paraprosdokians are figures of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected and is frequently humorous. (Winston Churchill loved them).

1. Where there's a will, I want to be in it.
2. The last thing I want to do is hurt you ... but it's still on my list.
3. Since light travels faster than sound, some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
4. If I agreed with you, we'd both be wrong.
5. We never really grow up -- we only learn how to act in public.
6. War does not determine who is right, only who is left.
7. Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit. Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.
8. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.

9. I didn't say it was your fault, I said I was blaming you.
 10. In filling out an application, where it says, "In case of emergency, notify.." I answered " a doctor."
 11. Women will never be equal to men until they can walk down the street with a bald head and a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
 12. You do not need a parachute to skydive. You only need a parachute to skydive twice.
 13. I used to be indecisive, but now I'm not so sure.
 14. To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.
 15. You're never too old to learn something stupid.
 16. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now.
- Sadly this is true! Spread the Laughter, Share the Cheer, Let's be Happy, while we're here!



ELVIS

THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF CHRISTMAS: GRACELAND EDITION

**Mattamy Theatre, FirstOntario Arts Centre Milton
Sunday December 10, 2017 at 7:30 pm**

\$49.75 per person

(Last time to pay August meeting)

Maximum of 40

Featuring Steve Michaels. Inspired by the music of Elvis Presley. In this Yuletide spectacular Steve Michaels sings the Christmas classics and serenades you with the King's own holiday season favourites. The Wonderful World of Christmas is a Graceland of wonderment, celebrating the most glorious time of the year.

Steve Michaels (aka formerly known as Stephen Michael Kabakos) is an international award-winning tribute artist and actor based out of Milton, Ontario. He played Presley in 2014 and 2016 to rave reviews in a show called Return to Grace, at the Ed Mirvish Theatre in Toronto.

Famous PEOPLE Players

World Renowned Black Light Theatre



A beautiful Maple Leaf voiced by Dan Aykroyd comes to life and takes you on a musical journey from province to province. This new production captures the heart and soul of our country. A tribute to our many Canadian artists and inventors on our 150th birthday.

**Famous People Players Dinner Theatre
343 Evans Avenue, Toronto**

In a business mall (Kipling and Evans Avenue)

Wednesday September 27 at 11:30 am

Maximum of 40

\$60.00 per person, includes taxes, tip and LUNCH
(\$3.00 extra for Salmon Lunch)

Arrival at 11:30 Lunch at 12:00 Show at 1:00

Dessert and coffee at 2:00 Departure around 2:30

“Smart” phones, not so smart after all!

By Alan Jordan - Occasional Correspondent & Resident Grouch

Convenient vs. dangerous – addictive vs. useful - appropriate vs. annoying, don't get me started! Oh, you just did.

Convenient: Ten years have passed since Apple brought its first iPhone to the market. Since then, nearly 7 billion smartphones have been sold around the world - this more or less equals the number of people on the planet.

Dangerous: Teens text while driving and according to the US Statistics Bureau, that is the leading cause of teen deaths in America, amounting to more than 3,000 annually - “driving while ‘intoxicated’ has surpassed driving while intoxicated”. It is 6 times more dangerous than drinking and driving.

Addictive: Watch what happens in a movie house while the credits are rolling up the screen and in a live theatre at the intermission – blinding light from the dozens of smartphones coming to life by the people who cannot leave the little beastly alone for a minute.

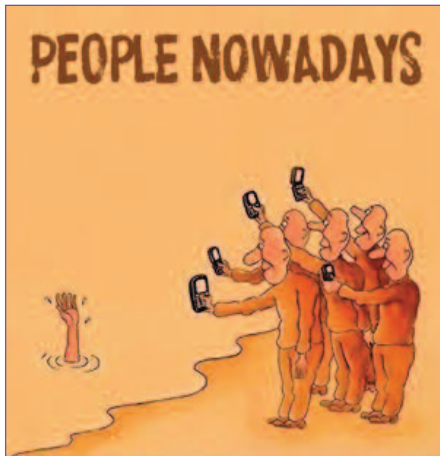
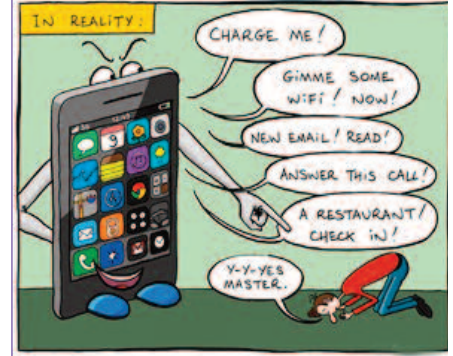
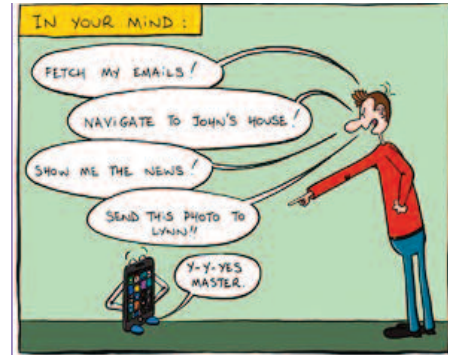
Useful: Of course they are, but all things in moderation.

Appropriate: Have you seen 2 beautiful people having a lovely meal at a fancy restaurant, only to sit opposite each other and communicate by Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Pinterest and Twitter to name just a few. So sad.

Annoying: Trapped in a bus listening to someone else's phone conversation regarding their children, husband and love-life in glorious Technicolor.

Here are some opinions expressed by cartoonists from around the world regarding our use or misuse of this marvellous device.

Don't call me if you don't like this page!



It keeps me from looking at my phone every two seconds.





Escarpment PROBUS Club - Calendar of Events

EVENT	DAY OF MONTH	MEET AT	CONVENOR
JULY 2017			
Bocce Ball	5 July 3 - 5:30	Italian Club of Milton 104 Tremaine.	Sandy Cannel
Management Meeting	12 July - 7 pm	Tomson Home	Martin Capper
Picnic	19 July - 11 am	Lowville Park, Campbellville	Julie Flynn
Escarpment PROBUS	NO Meeting this month	Milton Memorial Arena	Martin Capper
Lunch Bunch	NO Lunch Bunch this month	None	Bonnie Lennox
Track & Nordic Pole Walkers	Mondays & Fridays - 11:00am	Milton Sports Centre	Liz Read
Trail Walkers	Tuesdays - 1:30pm	Various	Pat & Ron Flannagan
Golf Club-Probos Pin Seekers	Every 2nd Thursday. Time	Granite Ridge	Ron Millichamp
Wine Tasting - Grapenuts	1st Monday & Thurs. - 7:00pm	TBD	Michael Hooker
Piece Makers - Quilting Club	1st Monday - 1:00pm	Stringer Home	Diane Comstock
Bridge Club	1st Tuesday	Heath Home	Jeanne Reid
Whisky Club - The D'stillers	1st Wednesday - 7:00pm	Flowers' Home	Chris Strachan
Nosh+Natter	1st Friday - 5:30-8:30pm	TBD	Gillian Reynolds
Book Club - First Edition	2nd Monday - 1 to 3 pm	Resumes in September	Paul Crawford
Card Sharp Cribbage Club	2nd Monday - 7:00pm	Capper Home *	Martin Capper
Oscar Nights - Movie Club	2nd Tuesday 7:00pm	Milton Cineplex Cinemas	Marilyn Armstrong
Book Club - Sequel	2nd Wednesday - 10 am	Strachan Home	Judy Nelson
Board Games - Bee Gees	2nd Wednesday - 1:00pm	Resumes in September	Stephen Comstock
Scrabble	2nd Wednesday - 1:00pm	Grace Anglican Church*	Petra Halk
Knitting Club	TBD	Resumes in September	Chris Willekes
Joker Club	2nd Thursday - 1:30 pm	TBD	Auriel Halliday
Bid Euchre	TBD	Grace Anglican Church*	Lorrette Shermet
Nosh+Natter	2nd Friday - 5:30-8:30pm	Not scheduled in July	Gillian Reynolds
Euchre	3rd Tuesday - 1:00 pm	TBD	Lorrette Shermet
Ravenous Readers Recycling	3rd Wednesday	Resumes in September	Ellen Crawford
Book Club - Trilogy	TBD	Resumes in September	Linda Green
Canasta	4th Monday - 7 pm	TBD	Lorrette Shermet
Friendship Club	4th Wednesday - 10 am	Seasons Retirement Home	Judy Krauss
Zoomer Bloomers	4th Wednesday - 1:00pm	TBD	Christy Babcock
Joker Club	4th Wednesday - 1:30pm	TBD	Auriel Halliday
Nosh@Nite	4th Friday 5:30 to 8 pm	Du Pont Home	Paul & Ellen Crawford
Bowling	Last Wed of month 3 - 5 pm	Champs Bowling	Stephanie Hamnett
AUGUST 2017			
Ramblin Road brewery Tour	1 August	2970 Swimming Pool Rd (Norfolk County)	Pete Shermet
Management Meeting	9 August - 7 pm	TBD	Martin Capper
Escarpment PROBUS	16 August	Milton Memorial Arena	Martin Capper
Lunch Bunch	16 August	TBD	Bonnie Lennox
Lawn Bowling	17 August - 1:30 pm	Milton Lawn Bowling Club	Joanne Millichamp
Bocce	22 August - 3:00 pm	Italian Canadian Club of Milton, 104 Tremaine	Sandy Cannel
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