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FOR MEMBERS OF THE
ESCARPMENT PROBUS CLUB
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CELEBRATE SUMMER AND CANADA DAY

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Now that Summer Has Finally Arrived!



Paul Crawford
President

The great wait is finally over and we are dealing with temperatures up in the 20's and making sure we are lathered up with enough sunscreen. What a great problem to have after wondering where the rubber boots and rain coat were for such a long time. Now the various Nosh groups can migrate outside to patios and backyards for a nice relaxed ambience for the drinks, food and conversation. Some of our clubs take a break in the summer but most are carrying on with the playing of card games, rating of successful wines, eating at lovely restaurants, and participating in any of the many activities organized by Ruth and her crew.

The annual picnic is the July highlight and Pat and her team is ready for you to show up and have a good time at Lowville Park.

We thank all of you who participated in the club survey and the results will be digested by management and a plan of action will be brought forward at the August meeting.

Sixth Anniversary Dinner and Dance

by Pat Vogt - Social Chair

Friday, September 13, 2019 6:30 PM at The Grand Chalet on Steeles Ave. We will be enjoying a four course dinner which includes a bottle of white and red wine at each table followed by dancing to the sounds of Rockin' Rob Hewlett.

—THE SOCIAL SCENE—



There will be no Probus meeting in July so that leaves only one month "August" to sign up for the Dinner/Dance. We will have sign-up sheets at the picnic to give members who cannot attend the August meeting a chance to sign-up for dinner – remember to bring your cheque books. See you all at the picnic.

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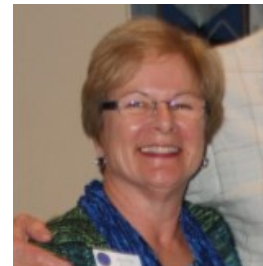
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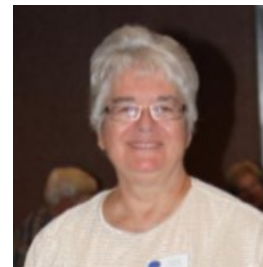
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ESCARPMENT PROBUS CLUB

This PROBUS Club is open to both ladies and gentlemen members.

Annual Membership is \$45 per person - One time only fee of \$20 for your name badge.

Meetings are held every third Wednesday of the month at 9:30am at the
Conference & Event Centre, 121 Chisholm Drive, Milton, Ontario, L9T 4A6

FORUM - ESCARPMENT PROBUS CLUB NEWSMAGAZINE

The newsletter is published monthly in PDF format on our web site: www.escarpmentprobus.com

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

FORUM Deadlines

Articles and pictures for publication should be received no later than seven days after the regular monthly meeting.

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.

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Board Games - <i>Jokers</i>	2nd Thurs. - 1:30 pm	Auriel Halliday	905-336-2430	aurielh@gmail.com
Board Games - <i>Jokers</i>	4th Wed. - 1 pm	Auriel Halliday	905-336-2430	aurielh@gmail.com
Book Club - <i>First Edition</i>	2nd Mon. - 1 pm	Paul Crawford	289-878-4968	paullelencrawford@gmail.com
Book Club - <i>Happy Bookers</i>	4th Thurs. - 12:30 pm	Judy Wallace	905-878-3374	lollipop@sympatico.ca
Book Club - <i>Ravenous Readers Recycling</i>	3rd Wed. - Probus meeting	Ellen Crawford	289-878-4968	paullelencrawford@gmail.com
Book Club - <i>Sequel</i>	2nd Wed. - 10 am	Catherine Parr	289-878-5550	4catparr@gmail.com
Book Club - <i>Trilogy</i>	2nd Wed. - 10 am	Linda Green	289-851-8655	klgreen@sympatico.ca
Cards - <i>Bid Euchre</i>	3rd Thurs. - 1:30 pm	Lorette Shermet	905-878-1293	lorrette@sympatico.ca
Cards - <i>Bridge</i>	1st Tues. - 1 pm	Jeanne Reid	289-878-9920	jreid345@cogeco.ca
Cards - <i>Canasta</i>	4th Mon. - 7 pm	Lorette Shermet	905-878-1293	lorrette@sympatico.ca
Cards - Cribbage - <i>Card Sharps</i>	2nd Mon. - 7 pm	Martin Capper	905-693-0354	martin@martincapper.com
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Cards - <i>Euchre</i>	3rd Tues. - 1 pm	Lorette Shermet	905-878-1293	lorrette@sympatico.ca
Classical Music - <i>Mozart and Friends</i>	4th Tues. - 2 pm	Michael Hooker	905-878-8953	mhooker10@bell.net
Club Français	2nd Wed. - 10 am / 11 am	Anne-Françoise Gibbard	905-854-3781	anne@gibbard.net
Crafts - Knitting - <i>Chicks with Sticks</i>	Thurs. after Probus meeting - 10:30 am	Christine Willekes	905-820-0269	chriswillekes@gmail.com
Crafts - Quilting - <i>Piece Makers</i>	1st Tues. 1 pm	Diane Comstock	905-876-4909	mlejenscc@sympatico.ca
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Dining - <i>Nosh@Nite</i>	4th Fri. - 5:30 pm	Paul & Ellen Crawford	289-878-4968	paullelencrawford@gmail.com
Dining - <i>Skip the Dishes</i>	3rd Thurs. - 6 pm	Lorette Shermet	905-878-1293	lorrette@sympatico.ca
Dining - <i>Supper Club</i>	<i>Scheduled by convenor</i>	Auriel Halliday	905-336-2430	aurielh@gmail.com
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Movie Club - <i>Oscar Nights</i>	2nd Tues. - 7 pm	Theresa Spano	416-618-2955	1tspano@gmail.com
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Tastings - Whisky - <i>D'Stillers</i>	1st Wed. - 7 pm	Chris Strachan	905-878-0812	anstrac1945@yahoo.ca
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Tastings - Wine - <i>Grapenuts</i>	2nd Wed. - 7 pm	Jim Tschirhart	647-648-8231	jim.tschirhart@gmail.com
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Travel - <i>Wanderlust</i>	2nd Thurs. - 7 pm (bi-monthly)	Gloria Pennycook	905-659-7789	gpennycook@icloud.com
Walkers - <i>Trail Walkers</i>	Every Tues. - 1:30 pm	Ronald Flannagan	905-332-6310	rflannagan@cogeco.ca
	New information	Temporary change		

No Meeting in July



Escarpment Probus Picnic

by Pat Vogt - Social Chair

Come on out to the Annual Picnic for a fun day at the park - July 11, 11:00 AM at Lowville Park (off Guelph Line in Lowville). We will have great food provided by Scooters Catering Services, along with lots of fun activities planned for the day. Remember to wear comfortable red and white attire.

Last Chance to get your tickets to the annual picnic is **July 7th**, please contact Pat Vogt (pvogt@cogeco.ca) (905 877-2495).

Our August Speaker

Confessions of a Forensic Detective

Detective Ed Adach has been a Toronto police officer for 37 years. The first 10 years as a uniformed copper in the gritty downtown area. And, currently for 27 years in the Forensic Unit. And, looking to work a few more years, just for the fun of it.

Along with the murder and mayhem of Toronto, Detective Adach has investigated war crimes in Kosova for the United Nations, and taught forensics in Afghanistan.

Escarpment Probus Club members will be taken behind the yellow police line, and get a glimpse of real CSI work. Fingerprints and DNA are well publicized forensic tools. Their poorer second cousin, the footprint, will be highlighted. Actual homicide cases will be used to reveal the impact of this under-estimated evidence. To demonstrate the wide variety of shoe soles in the community, Probus members will have an opportunity to win \$50, if they are wearing "the shoes of a murderer". If the shoes you are wearing happen to be the same pattern as Detective Adach's example, he will give you \$50 (no alibi required).



Book Exchange

by Ellen Crawford - Convenor



Bring a book - take a book. Please remember to bring in a book for exchange.

To allow others the enjoyment of reading a best seller, please return it to the book table.

Thanks Ellen

Summer Days Drifting Away!

By Ruth Gagnon – Activities Chair

There was lots of excitement and energy and our Activities Tables at our June general meeting! Great to hear the reaction to the events we are organizing and the responses we are having!! Are you ready to get involved and get to know more Escarpment Probus members? Here are some activities to consider:



JULY ACTIVITIES:

Thursday, July 18th: Port Dover, Brewery & Winery

This is a full day event and we will be meeting at the back of the Milton Sports Centre at 8:00 am We will be leaving Milton by bus at 8:15 am and arriving at Nomada Charters in Port Dover where we board the River Rider for a one hour sightseeing tour on a pontoon boat. We will be taking a trip up Lynn Valley River and into the Black Creek Nature Reserve. From there we will have lunch at the Erie Beach Hotel. After lunch we will be heading to the Ramblin' Road Brewery. Ramblin' Road is located at the very first Picard's. They grow their own hops and make their own potatoe chips! We will be sampling both!! There will be two free samples of beer with an optional flight of six for \$10 – at your own cost. After our tour of the brewery we will head to the Bonnieheath Estate Lavender and winery for an informative wagon ride about their farm. We will also have three samplings – one cider, one red, one white. We will be leaving Bonnieheath at 4 pm and head back to Milton with an expected arrival time of 5:30 pm. The cost for this event is \$70/person and includes transportation.

AUGUST ACTIVITIES:

Tuesday, August 6th: Fiddler on the Loose

We will be watching Fiddler on the Loose but first we will enjoy some shopping and lunch! The morning will be spent at St. Jacob's Market, followed by a buffet lunch at the Crossroads Family Restaurant in Elmira at 11:30 am. Then onto the Drayton Festival Theatre to see the show at 2:00 pm. The cost for this event is \$65.47 per person and includes the buffet lunch, theatre show, all taxes and tip! Carpooling is suggested! Located at 33 Wellington Street South, directions are available at <https://www.draytonentertainment.com> .

Tuesday, August 27th: Murders Tastefully Executed

We are excited to present Murders Tastefully Executed. This is an interactive dinner theatre that will be held at Ned Devine's in the Lounge. Murders Tastefully Executed is Niagara's Premium dinner theatre company and is comprised of professional actors dedicated to providing participatory dinner theatre. Dinner and the 'show' will start at 6 pm and will go to about 9:30 pm The cost for the dinner theatre is \$62/person. Be prepared to get involved!! In addition to the sign up sheet there is a separate sheet to make your dinner selection. We need a minimum of 50 members for this event.

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES:

Thursday, Sept. 5th: Sailing on the Tall Ship – Kajama – in Toronto.

The cost is \$28/person and we will board the ship at 3:30 pm sailing from 4:00 – 5:30 pm We will be going to the Amsterdam Brew House for dinner. Dinner is not included in the price, but we will need to know if you are going to join us for dinner so we can make a reservation.

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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.

Please note that unless otherwise stated, cheques will be cashed at the beginning of the month that the event is scheduled in.

Thank you!

Activities Committee

Members:

Christy Babcock,
Ruth Gagnon,
Anne Gibbard,
Kelly Ground,
Stephanie Hamnett,
Irene Hiebert,
Joanne Millichamp,
Ron Millichamp,
and Dawn Ross.



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Saturday, Sept. 7th: Italian Club Bocce Ball

We will be playing Bocce from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm on Saturday, September 7th with pizza and more! The rain date is September 17th. We can take up to 32 members. The cost for this event is \$17/person.

OCTOBER ACTIVITIES:

Thursday, Oct. 10th: Escape Rooms at Champs Sports Grill

How many of you ever feel like you need to escape? Well, we have an activity for you – or maybe an activity that you would like to send someone to!! We are going to challenge ourselves to the Escape Rooms at Champs Sports Grill. Escape rooms are thrilling, suspenseful, challenging and, of course, incredibly fun! At least that is what it says on the internet! We will be meeting at 11:00 am and the cost for this event is \$25/person. We have also arranged to have a preset menu which Champs will be billing to you directly. Please note that we will be asking you to make your food selection for this event at the activities table.

Monday, Oct. 21st: Trivia Night at Ned Devine's

Join us at 7:00 pm for some trivia and tons of laughter! Listen to this, arrive early!!! Get there early to meet up with your team and grab a drink. Whether you go for dinner before or just meet us for Trivia, meet us in "The Lounge". The cost for this event is \$15/person.

NOVEMBER ACTIVITIES:

Tuesday, Nov. 5th: Terra Greenhouse

We will be meeting at Terra Greenhouse at 12800 Britannia Road in Milton at 1:30 pm to put together a Christmas Planter. We will be finished by 3:00 pm. The cost for this event, including the supplies you will need, is \$40/person.

Friday, Nov. 15th: Song Sung Blue: The Neil Diamond Story

We have been able to secure 44 tickets to Song Sung Blue: The Neil Diamond Story at the FirstOntario Art Centre Milton on November 15th at 8:00 pm The amazing Will Chalmers who captures the look, the voice, and the excitement of Neil Diamond in concert will be performing! Hear the chronicles of his amazing career from his earliest hits as a songwriter to his musical peak in the late 70's and early 80's. We can only secure these tickets until July! The discounted group cost for this event is \$35/person. Cheques will be cashed the **last week of July** for this event.

DECEMBER ACTIVITIES:

Friday, Dec. 13th: Christmas Tour of the Dundurn Castle in Hamilton

Join us for a Christmas Tour of the Dundurn Castle in Hamilton. We are coming to you early because we want to be ready to get tickets when they go on sale on Labour Day. We will begin our evening with Carol singing, followed by a tour of Sir Allan MacNab's lavish home, and then we will eat some traditional Christmas foods served in Dundurn's historic Kitchen. The cost for this event is \$30/person and will run from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

Cheques will be cashed at the **beginning of September** for this event.

Hope to see you at our August general meeting!

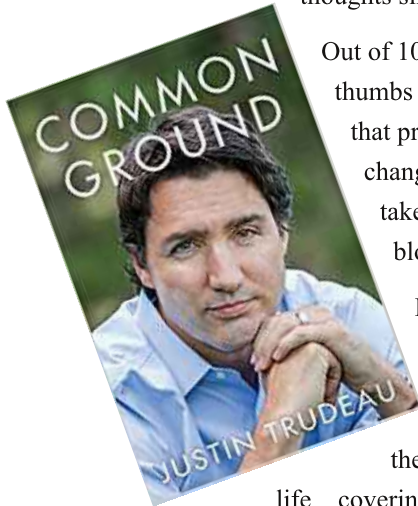
Stay tuned for more events coming in 2019 and yes, we are working on events for 2020 already!!!

Common Ground

by June Leach - Correspondent



On Wednesday June 12th The Sequel book club gathered to discuss the book "Common Ground" by Justin Trudeau. One of our members Gretchen Green O'Brien kindly allowed her notes to be offered as she so closely expressed thoughts similar to our own.



Out of 10 participants, one gave the book a 5 out of 10 rating and 9 gave the book a thumbs up and said it was probably one, if not "the" book in our bookclub history that provoked the most animated and interesting conversation. Many admitted to changing their view about our Prime Minister. Each one of us had a different take on the book and Mr Trudeau. Curiously enough, we did not come to blows, there was no shouting and perhaps we found "common ground".

Here is Gretchen's offering. Thank you Gretchen!

COMMON GROUND by Justin Trudeau

In a nutshell, this memoir describes the experiences that have shaped the life of Justin Trudeau, our current Prime Minister, over the course of his life _ covering the years of his childhood at 24 Sussex Drive to his role as Liberal leader today.

Through his writing style and anecdotes as I read this book, I felt like I was having a personal discussion with the author! I came away with a clearer picture of Justin's core values that I have never discovered through the media.

The book is aptly named: Common Ground, It emphasizes that we (including politicians) need to find common ground to identify issues of the day and work together to build a better country.

For me this book is a 10!

Close Scores

by Barb Campbell - Correspondent

Harold squeaked out a win scoring a total of 49 points over Grace who had a total of 48. Grace won 'Lone Hands' with 2, and Barb beat her co-host (yours truly) by 1 point for low score with 24.



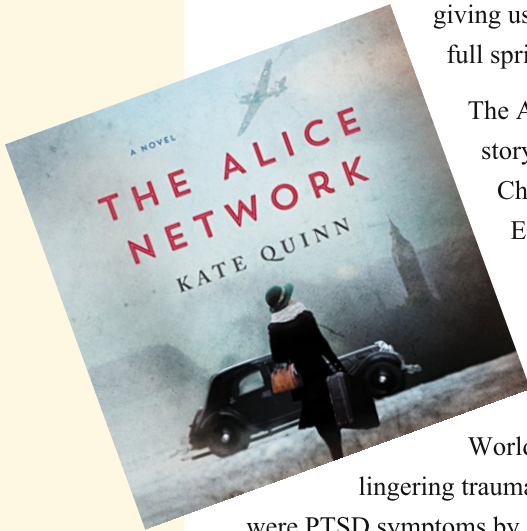
We all enjoyed Lorraine's left over birthday cake...it was actually Lorraine's birthday so that worked out perfectly.



The Alice Network

By Correspondent Margaret Anne Fehr

The Trilogy Book Club met on Wednesday morning, June 12th at host Ella Dolan's home. Thanks to Ella for providing delicious refreshments, introducing us to her adorable new puppy and giving us a tour of her fabulous backyard garden in its full spring splendour!



The Alice Network by Kate Quinn was an interesting read overall. The story tells a story of two women in wartime Europe. One is a young American socialite Charlie St. Clair. Her pregnancy forces her to leave her country and move to Europe in search of a cousin who disappeared in France during the Nazi occupation. The second is an English female spy, Eve Gardiner, who became a part of France's Alice Network during the Great War.

This book is based on painstaking research by the author where real-life events and locations are woven into the story. It also deals with both World War I and its effects on World War II, an interval of just 20 years and the lingering trauma suffered, in particular, by former spy Eve. But as our group discussed, there were PTSD symptoms by other characters like Charlie, whose brother returned from World War II a broken man and committed suicide and how that event devastated his family.

The depiction of Eve's undercover role as a waitress serving the German high command and her ability to exhibit a sang-froid in reporting her observations and intelligence back to the Alice Network was a remarkable feat. Our group collectively appreciated what it would take to be able to exert such self-control and dedication in a life-threatening situation. Eve's situation became even more perilous as Renee Bordelon, the owner of the restaurant who profits from his German alliance, enlisted Eve as his mistress.

Eventually, Eve's cover is blown and Renee's anger has no limits as he inflicts a torturous interrogation that cripples her both physically and emotionally. The story progresses 20 years later as Eve and Charlie, both intent on exorcising their personal demons and uncovering the fates of their loved ones is revealed to a fluid and suspenseful conclusion. This book is well worth reading. It highlights the high-risk and unacknowledged roles that women played to the efforts of both World Wars and that redemption is possible but not without allowing oneself to become emotionally vulnerable again.

Our group rated The Alice Network from 8 to 10!

Trilogy is on hiatus for the summer and will meet on September 11th when we will be reading The Great Alone by Kristin Hannah. Have a wonderful summer everyone!

June is Bustin' out All Over

by Jeanne Reid - Convenor

A great start to June, sunny, warm and a dash of bridge. 12 happy players had a great afternoon at the home of Ray and Shirley Mathews. Don Corker won again with Ray Mathews coming second.



July will see us hosted by Wayne Heath.

Bid Euchre

by Pat Vogt - Correspondent

On Thursday June 20th, we had a great afternoon hosted by Bill and Corrine Turnbull with 12 players (a mixture from both Probus Clubs). The scores were all over the place, we had a couple of “Moons” that were made and some bidding that just didn’t work out. The old saying “you can’t win if you don’t bid” held true.

Our next Bid Euchre afternoon will be back at the Grace Anglican Church on Thursday July 18th.



Suspended for the Summer

by Christine Willekes - Convenor

As usual, for Probus events, a noisy group of ladies met at the home of Norma Capper for our last meeting before summer break. Thank you Norma for the treats and sharing recipes. The ladies all have such a variety of talents, always someone who is either a “teacher” or a “student” and of course someone to help you “rip it out” if that sweater didn’t turn out as planned. The next meeting will be on Thursday September 19 at 10:30 at the home of Chris Willekes in Mississauga.

We are cancelled for the summer, convenor is Chris Willekes. We meet on the Thursday after our Wednesday Probus meeting.



BOWLING TIME ALERT!!

by Michelle Tschirhart - Convenor

The new time for the Bowling Club is now **4:00 pm** on the last Wednesday of each and every month.

July’s date is Wednesday, July 31st at 4:00 pm. Hope to see you out there.



Quilting Retreat

by Diane Comstock - Convenor

Three Piece Makers joined up with other quilting enthusiasts in Georgetown on Sunday / Monday June 2-3 to work on their UFO's. Wendy completed a wall hanging, Carol Anne worked on a Shop Hop project, while Diane started her Friendship Tea/Coffee cup quilt. Diane Jarvis, a long time friend of Diane and Wendy, joined us and worked on a QAYG project destined for one of her granddaughters. A fun time was had by all.

The Piece Makers will suspend meetings until October - as the first Mondays in July, August, and September are all holidays. Instead, members will work on a round robin project - a great way to practice new techniques and bust our stashes.



NORWAY

by Joanne Millichamp - Travel Convenor

There is still room to join this 16 day roundtrip voyage in May 2020.

Highlights include sailing past more than 100 fjords and 1,000 mountains, visiting 34 ports and crossing the Arctic Circle twice. Also included are city tours in Bergen, Oslo, and the picturesque Flam Railway trip, plus 6 shore excursions.

Please email or call: Joanne Millichamp - jmillichamp@hotmail.com - 289/878-2969 for further information.



ISLANDS OF THE MEDITERRANEAN - 2020:

This trip is now completely SOLD OUT and we are now accepting a wait list for those interested.

Canasta at the Crawfords

by Paul Crawford - Correspondent



Sixteen enthusiastic canasta players came for the June gathering. Diane, Bill, Penny, and Paul were the lucky (or skillful) players who won both their games.



Membership Dues

by Maggie Boothe - Membership Chair

We are now collecting Membership dues (\$45.00 per person) for the 2019/2020 year. Please see me at the Membership table at the August meeting. Thank you to those who have already paid up - very impressive!

In order to be fair to everyone, we cannot accept Membership applications via telephone, e-mails, or word-of-mouth. People who are interested in joining the Escarpment Probus Club are asked to attend a General Members meeting and complete an application at that time, in order to be put on the waiting list. This will ensure a spot on the waiting list for interested guests.

You will receive your updated Membership Telephone list shortly, if you have any changes please let me know at mbdice5@gmail.com and I will be happy to make the changes for the next distribution of the Membership Telephone List.

Please remember to wear your badges to functions, we want to know your name in order to introduce you to new and existing members.



Tier 1

by Diane Comstock - Correspondent



Thirty-nine hungry Probians descended on the Tier 1 restaurant for lunch after the June meeting. The Social committee took the opportunity to have a meeting to finalize details for the July picnic.

Reminder: There is no general meeting therefore no lunch bunch in July.



Longo's, The Loft Cooking Demonstration

by Ruth Gagnon - Activities Chair



On June 27th a group of 24 members enjoyed the Longo's "Cooking with Sleeman's Beer" demonstration. We enjoyed a great menu of a caramelized onion and beer dip served with veggies, jalapeno and cheddar beer bread, and beer braised chicken and beef tacos. We finished off with white ale cupcakes. Every course was paired with a Sleeman's beer tasting. Not only did Chef Damien Smith do a great job of demonstrating the food preparation, but he shared some interesting facts about Sleeman's beer and how the company got started. His sense of humor provided us all with an evening of laughter and great food! Maybe there will be a tour of Sleeman's Brewery in our future! Stay tuned for another Loft Cooking Demonstration coming in the Fall!



A New Convener for PIE??

by Ron DuPont - Convenor

PIE has now been in operation for one year. Although all questions may not be answered, I do receive a lot of positive feedback telling me that this is a useful feature for our Probus members.

The longest part of the set up will be to enter all PIE members (100+) into a mailing list. You will also need to maintain a membership list of PIE members, add new members to your mailing list, and change email addresses as needed. It is a very simple process after it has been set up. I can supply most of the wording that is to be used.

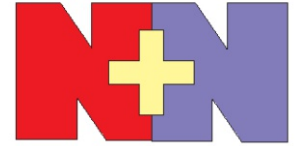
I have received several compliments on its operation, but I do not want to hog all the accolades, so I am prepared to allow someone else to be the convener. If you feel worthy to have this honour bestowed upon you, please let me know and I will choose the most suitable candidate from the hordes of applications.

Ron DuPont - redupont@icloud.com



No Mosquitos

by Rosalind Jordan - Correspondent



Eighteen of the Nosh and Natter crowd brought such delicious appetizers to the Jordan house. The evening turned out to be the most excellent weather we had had this summer. We enjoyed interesting conversation, stories, and friendship while sitting on the deck for the whole event. It was the best time. The sunshine was out and the mosquitos were not. Looking forward to the next meeting.



Noshing in Guelph and celebrating Doreen's birthday!



Lovely Night!

by Anna Strachan - Correspondent



Chris and I hosted on Friday 31st May. Our group kindly postponed the date to accommodate my trip to Italy/France. There was a lovely selection of food shared by lovely people and as usual, the conversations just flowed. The weather was very cooperative, we started outside but had to come in when it cooled off. I think Liz and Gloria left with a plant from the garden.



Jacques Offenbach

by Michael Hooker - Convenor



As our June host, Beth Barnes played us a beautiful CD of the orchestral music of the French composer Jacques Offenbach, who was born in Germany and lived from 1819 to 1880. He is much better known as a composer of light operettas, like “Orpheus in the Underworld”. So this music was a complete surprise to most of us (Beth excepted, of course).

The main piece was his concerto for cello and orchestra, played by the Israeli / Canadian Cellist Ofra Harnoy and the Cincinnati Pops Orchestra. Although Offenbach composed this concerto in 1850, it was not performed during his lifetime and was lost for well over a century. It was rediscovered some years after the Offenbach family donated his archives to the Library of Congress, Washington, in 1955, and finally received its first performance on 1st September 1983! A bright and pleasant piece, well worth a hearing. As well, we listened to four of his other shorter pieces, which (thankfully) didn’t get lost along the way!

Our July event will be on 23rd July at 2:00 pm, and will be hosted by Gerry Kennedy. As an add-on, on Friday 19th July at 1 pm, Michael Hooker will host a video performance of Puccini’s opera “La Boheme”, from New York’s Metropolitan Opera.

Risposta Bistro

by Lorrette Shermet - Convenor

Forty-three Probians skipped to Risposta Bistro in Campbellville on June 20th. Unfortunately, I was not able to attend due to health issues.



I received a lot of feedback saying the food, service, and atmosphere was great. The day of the dinner, Lorhel White celebrated a birthday and Suzanne and Wayne Herder celebrated 49 years of marriage. Congratulations! Ginny's brother Fred was visiting from the far North and he came along and was part of the fun. I heard the Crème Brulee was out of this world.

On July 18th, we will be heading to Burlington to a place called Wundeba Restaurant, located at 4448 Guelph Line, Burlington. I understand Wundeba is Wunderbar.



Ticket To Ride

by Stephen Comstock - Convenor

We had 9 people out on June 12th. Beth Barnes provided snacks and drinks. The zucchini loaf was a big hit. There were two tables playing Ticket to Ride. Jenny O'Brian and Diane Comstock were the two winners. One table had a fast game, and proceeded to play a quick game of Phase 10, which Jenny also won.

We will be skipping the month of July. It seems to be very busy for everyone. Our next get-together will be August 14th. We will be at the Grace Anglican Church on Main Stree at 1 pm. Please come join us, all are welcome. If you have a favourite game, bring it along and we'll give it a go.



ROCKETMAN

by Theresa Spano - Convenor

Rocketman was a big hit with our Oscar movie goers this month. Fifteen people attended the event and the majority of attendees loved the movie.

Synopsis: Rocketman is an musical fantasy about the uncensored human story of Sir Elton John's breakthrough years. The musical was cleverly told while Elton was in therapy for his addictions. Taron Egerton played Elton and he was awesome, such a gifted voice! The movie dives into the inspiration behind the songs. The songs were only short clips, not full songs, and we could not help wanting to hear more of them.

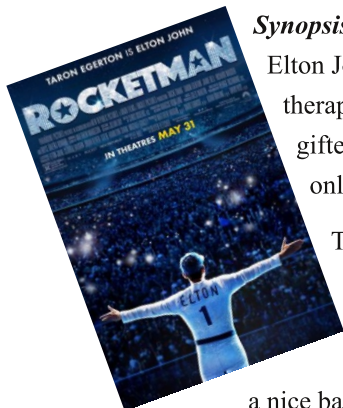
This is a good movie but it seemed to dwell only on the hard times of Elton's life from childhood till rehab where Elton overcame his addiction. It would have been nice to see some of the good times not just dwell on the sadness in Elton's early years, perhaps a glimpse of how things changed after his rehab would have been a nice balance to the movie. It was through the writings at the end that we saw a positive side to Elton's life, the fact that he is now married to David, has children and has spent many years sober and drug free, which the writers never touched on.

Will this be Academy Award winner? We will have to wait and see! Probus ratings 8 out of 10.

Our next Oscar movie night is July 9. See you at the movies!

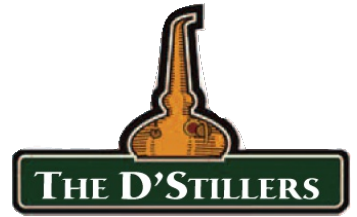


Oscar Nights
FILM CLUB



Georgetown Tasting

by Chris Strachan - Convenor



The June Meeting of the D'Stillers was held at the home of Mary and Russ Cousins. Russ supplied five whiskies for our tasting pleasure they were rated as follows:



The winning whisky of the evening was 'IWAI' with an Alcohol by Volume (ABV) of 40.84% at a cost of \$59.95 and a score of 74.9. This is a Japanese Blended Whiskey. One whiskey reviewer called this whiskey Terrible, another reviewer said it was Great, again, like art, beauty is in the eye of the beholder.



Second of the evening was "Suntory TOKI" with an (ABV) of 43% at a cost of \$59.95 and a score of 74%. Another blended whiskey from Japan. Suntory uses whiskies from three different Distilleries, owned by them, to blend this whiskey. Different reviewers gave this whiskey the same result as the winner, loved it or hated it.



Third was 'White & McKay' with an (ABV) of 40% at a cost of \$41.25 and a score of 73%. Another very old Scotch Blended Whiskey, founded in Glasgow in 1882. Through the decades it has had many owners; it is now owned by a company in the Phillipines.



Fourth 'Glen Moray Elgin Classic' a single malt with an (ABV) of 40% at a cost of \$37.00 and a score of 69.7%. This is another whiskey only available at Duty-Free Stores. The reviews gave this whiskey from one star up to five stars, there is no accounting for taste.



Last but not least was 'Auchentoshan Springwood' a single malt with an (ABV) of 40% at a cost of \$31.69 and a score of 66.5%. This is a Lowland single malt, from a top distillery, the only one that triple distills its whisky. Like the fourth whiskey, this is only available at Duty-Free Stores. Most Duty-Free whiskies are in one-liter bottles making them good value for the money. There are exceptions, usually, whiskies from \$150 and up are in 750ml bottles.

Thanks to Mary for the lovely home baked goodies. Thanks to the DD's for getting us home, all the way from Georgetown no less, safe and sound.

The July 3rd meeting of the D'Stillers will be held at the home of Norma and Martin Capper.

Greeting Cards

"Where have you been?", "We missed you !", Sorry to hear that you are under the weather!", "Oh no, I am sorry, I was not aware of that!," Sorry that you lost a loved one", "Sorry to see you go - you will be missed!".



At PROBUS we want to keep in touch, we are all friends and if you know of anyone who is ill, hurting, moving away, lost a loved one, etc., please let Lorrette Shermet know and she will gladly send a card.

(lorrette@sympatico.ca or 905-878-1293).



Grapenuts – June Results

by Jim Tschirhart - Convenor

Hosts: Pamela Lester & Judith Mitchell **Theme: Espania**

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WINE TASTING CLUB

It was very easy to guess the wine tasting theme since Pamela had just returned from three months inEspania !!! It was too bad the weather didn't cooperate for an outdoor event, however, a good time was had by all. Along with the wines, we served an assortment of spanish cheeses, tapanades and olives. Desserts were very nice, consisting of key lime pie, chocolate croissants and coffee cake. A very surprising and unexpected result in the scoring, a white achieved top marks!!

- Best White: Marques De Riscal, from Spain; LCBO 36822; \$13.35; Score 14.6.
A top rated wine for 160 years!!
- Best Red: 17 Tempranillo Basiano Do NavarraCiao from Spain; LCBO 64484; \$11.95; Score 13.5

Hosts: Ellen and Chris Wallhouse **Theme: Rieslings & Noirs**

There were 13 people including us for the tasting at the Wallhouse's in Campbellville. Two themes for the wine were used. The Whites were all Rieslings from Niagara region and the Reds were again from Ontario but were all Noirs: Baco Noir, Piinot Noir and Gamay Noir. All the wines were VQA with recipes available for the food pairing online.

- Best White: The Reif Estates Riesling LCBO #111799, \$13.95 and Cave Springs LCBO#234583, \$15.95 tied for first with 14.5. Third place was Fielding Riesling LCBO#146761 \$14.75 with a score of 13.4.
- Best Red: For the Reds the clear winner was Sandbanks Baco Noir LCBO#225920, \$19.95 with a score of 15.2. Second was Chateau Des Charmes Pinto Noir LCBO#454967 \$16.95 with a score of 13.5, and lastly Chateau Des Charmes Gamay Noir LCBO#57349 \$14.95 scoring 12.

Hosts: Marion and Keith Flowers **Theme: A single Vintner**

A very pleasant evening was spent in the Flowers' garden. All the wines were Kim Crawford Wines, which owns two vineyards, one on New Zealand's North Island and one on the South Island. The intention was to see how a single vintner stood up across the range of white, rose and red wines. All the wines were purchased from the Vintages section of the LCBO, although some were difficult to track down. They were good quality and well enjoyed.

- Best White: Kim Crawford Pino Gris, Marlborough, New Zealand; LCBO 369850; \$19.95; Score 13.27.
- Best Red: Kim Crawford Small Parcels 50 Corner Vineyard Merlot/Cabernet; Hawke's Bay, New Zealand; LCBO 447433; \$29.95; Score 16.0

July Tasting Invitation

Monday 1st July – Marg Jones and Frank Dawe Thursday 4th July – Auriel Halliday and Don Evans
Wednesday 10th July – Michelle and Jim Tschirhart

All tastings start at 7:00 pm. Please email or phone your preferred host directly. Standard rules: All hosts can initially accept a maximum of 10 people (including hosts) till all tastings have this number; then hosts are free to accept more – at their discretion. I will keep you informed on progress. If you can't find a spot after they are opened up, please email me. If there is enough interest, I'll attempt to set up a 4th tasting.

Our June Meeting



Giving out hugs and handshakes was Michael Hooker and Megs Shellard



Jeanne Reid and Jim Tschirhart, on behalf of the Grapenutters, presented a thank you gift to Michael for his work as convenor of the Grapenuts club for the past years

Beth Barnes thanked Terry for his appearance and requested that he sign her copies of two of his books



Terry Fallis, a two-time winner of the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour, gave us the inside scoop on his latest book "One Brother Shy" and his life growing up with an identical twin



*And the lucky 50/50 draw winner is ...
Judy Nelson who takes home \$203*

“
Well, a lot of politics is communicating with people, and obviously comedy has something to do with that. I've been a producer and led people. Also, being a comedian, you're under pressure.”

- Al Franken

Escarpment PROBUS Club - Calendar of Events

EVENT	DAY OF MONTH	MEET AT	CONVENOR
Activities			
Afternoon on the Loose	August 6 - 11:30 am	Crossroads Family Restaurant	Irene Hiebert
Executive Meeting	August 14 - 9:30 am	O'Brien home	Paul Crawford
Escarpment PROBUS monthly meeting	August 21 - 9:30 am	121 Chisholm Dr. Milton*	Paul Crawford
Book Bunch	August 21 - noon	Shoeless Joe's	Bonnie Lennox
Orders Tastefully Executed	August 27 - 6 pm	Ned Devine's Lounge	Ruth Gagnon
Clubs			
PROBUS Info Exchange - PIE	Online only - no meetings		Ron Du Pont
Walkers - Trail Walkers	Every Tues. - 1:30 pm	as per email	Ronald Flannagar
Sports - Golf - Pin Seekers	Every Thurs. 9:30 am (May-Sept.)	Granite Ridge Golf Course*	Harold O'Brien
Quilts - Quilting - Piece Makers	cancelled for summer		Diane Comstock
Wine - Grapenuts	August 1 - 7 pm	Wallhouse home	Jim Tschirhart
Nosh 'N' Natter	cancelled		Gillian Reynolds
Wine - Grapenuts	August 5 - 7 pm	Flowers home	Jim Tschirhart
Cribbage - Bridge	August 6 - 1 pm	Reid home	Jeanne Reid
Whisky - D'Stillers	August 7 - 7 pm	Chliszczyk home	Chris Strachan
Wine - Grapenuts	August 7 - 7 pm	Schmidt / Willcocks home	Jim Tschirhart
Book Club - First Edition	cancelled for summer		Paul Crawford
Card Games - Jokers	August 8 - 1:30 pm	Sweeney home	Auriel Halliday
Nosh 'N' Natter	August 9 - 5:30 pm	Ponds home	Gillian Reynolds
Cribbage - Card Sharps	August 12 - 7 pm	Capper home*	Martin Capper
Cribbage - Card Sharps	August 13 - 1:30 pm	Capper home*	Martin Capper
Movie Club - Oscar Nights	August 13 - 7 pm	Milton Cineplex Cinemas*	Theresa Spano
Book Club - Sequel	cancelled		Catherine Parr
Book Club - Trilogy	cancelled for summer		Linda Green
Club Français	August 14 - 10 am / 11 am	Yardley / Crowe home*	Anne-Françoise C
Card Games - Bee Gees	August 14 - 1 pm	Grace Church Hall*	Stephen Comstock
Cribbage - Bid Euchre	cancelled		Lorrette Shermet
Knitting - Chicks with Sticks	cancelled for summer		Christine Willekes
Skip the Dishes	August 15 - 6 pm	Terra Cotta Inn	Lorrette Shermet
Euchre	August 20 - 1 pm	Petroff home	Lorrette Shermet
Book Club - Ravenous Readers Recycling	August 21 - 9:30 am	121 Chisholm Dr. Milton*	Ellen Crawford
Knitting - Chicks with Sticks	cancelled for summer		Christine Willekes
Book Club - Happy Bookers	cancelled for summer		Judy Wallace
Beer - Suds and Buds	August 22 - 7 pm	Parr home	Pete Shermet
Nosh@Nite	August 23 - 5:30 pm	Pennycook / Findlay home	Paul & Ellen Craw
Canasta	August 26 - 7 pm	Finnie home	Lorrette Shermet
Classical Music - Mozart and Friends	August 27 - 2 pm	Hooker home	Michael Hooker
Friendship Club	cancelled for summer		Judy Krauss
Card Games - Jokers	August 28 - 1 pm	Reid home	Auriel Halliday
Sports - Bowling - 10 Pin	August 28 - 4 pm	Champs Bowling*	Michelle Tschirhart

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Activities			
Sailing on the Tall Ship – Kajama	September 5 - 3:30 pm	Toronto	Ruth Gagnon
Bocce Ball	September 7 - 4 pm	Italian Club, Milton	Ruth Gagnon
Executive Meeting	September 11 - 6 pm	Crawford home	Paul Crawford
Escarpment PROBUS monthly meeting	September 18 - 9:30 am	121 Chisholm Dr. Milton*	Paul Crawford
Lunch Bunch	September 18 - noon	TBD	Bonnie Lennox
Clubs			
Probus Info Exchange - PIE	Online only - no meetings		Ron Du Pont
Walkers - <i>Trail Walkers</i>	Every Tues. - 1:30 pm	<i>as per email</i>	Ronald Flannagan
Sports - Golf - <i>Pin Seekers</i>	Every Thurs. 9:30 am (May-Sept.)	Granite Ridge Golf Course*	Harold O'Brien
Tastings - Wine - <i>Grapenuts</i>	September 2 - 7 pm	Millichamp home	Jim Tschirhart
Cards - <i>Bridge</i>	September 3 - 1 pm	Crawford home	Jeanne Reid
Crafts - Quilting - <i>Piece Makers</i>	September 3 - 1 pm	Comstock home*	Diane Comstock
Tastings - Whisky - <i>D'Stillers</i>	September 4 - 7 pm	Jones / Dawe home	Chris Strachan
Tastings - Wine - <i>Grapenuts</i>	September 5 - 7 pm	Udo home	Jim Tschirhart
Dining - <i>Nosh 'N' Natter</i>	September 6 - 5:30 pm	Hiebert home	Gillian Reynolds
Book Club - <i>First Edition</i>	September 9 - 1 pm	Crawford home	Paul Crawford
Cards - Cribbage - <i>Card Sharps</i>	September 9 - 7 pm	Capper home*	Martin Capper
Cards - Cribbage - <i>Card Sharps</i>	September 10 - 1:30 pm	Capper home*	Martin Capper
Movie Club - <i>Oscar Nights</i>	September 10 - 7 pm	Milton Cineplex Cinemas*	Theresa Spano
Book Club - <i>Sequel</i>	September 11 - 10 am	Millichamp home	Catherine Parr
Book Club - <i>Trilogy</i>	September 11 - 10 am	Krauss home	Linda Green
Club <i>Français</i>	September 11 - 10 am / 11 am	Yardley / Crowe home*	Anne-Françoise Gibbard
Board Games - <i>Bee Gees</i>	September 11 - 1 pm	Grace Church Hall*	Stephen Comstock
Tastings - Wine - <i>Grapenuts</i>	September 11 - 7 pm	Capper home	Jim Tschirhart
Board Games - <i>Jokers</i>	September 12 - 1:30 pm	Taylor home	Auriel Halliday
Travel - <i>Wanderlust</i>	September 12 - 7 pm	Crawford home	Gloria Pennycook
Dining - <i>Nosh 'N' Natter</i>	<i>cancelled</i>		Gillian Reynolds
Cards - <i>Euchre</i>	September 17 - 1 pm	Grace Church Hall	Lorrette Shermet
Book Club - <i>Ravenous Readers Recycling</i>	September 18 - 9:30 am	121 Chisholm Dr. Milton*	Ellen Crawford
Crafts - Knitting - <i>Chicks with Sticks</i>	September 19 - 10:30 am	Chris Willekes	Christine Willekes
Cards - <i>Bid Euchre</i>	September 19 - 1:30 pm	Grace Church Hall*	Lorrette Shermet
Dining - <i>Skip the Dishes</i>	September 19 - 6 pm	Old Marina in Puslinch	Lorrette Shermet
Cards - <i>Canasta</i>	September 23 - 7 pm	Cousins home	Lorrette Shermet
Classical Music - <i>Mozart and Friends</i>	September 24 - 2 pm	Yapa home	Michael Hooker
Friendship Club	September 25 - 10 am	Season's Retirement home*	Judy Krauss
Board Games - <i>Jokers</i>	September 25 - 1 pm	Comstock home	Auriel Halliday
Sports - Bowling - <i>10 Pin</i>	September 25 - 4 pm	Champs Bowling*	Michelle Tschirhart
Book Club - <i>Happy Bookers</i>	September 26 - 12:30 pm		Judy Wallace
Tastings - Beer - <i>Suds and Buds</i>	September 26 - 7 pm		Pete Shermet
Dining - <i>Nosh@Nite</i>	September 27 - 5:30 pm	Shermet home	Paul & Ellen Crawford
Dining - <i>Appy Hour</i>	September 28 - 6:30 pm	Pennycook / Dewitte home	Mary Cousins
New information	Temporary change	* Always held at this location	

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