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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



As I write the President's Message for The Probus Club of Milton, we are on a cruise ship heading north after spending several hours at Hubbard Glacier*.

Our final destination will be Tokyo, Japan. Overnight and into this morning we have experienced very rough seas and gale force winds. I find it rather exciting as long as we don't sink. My understanding is that Milton is still experiencing temperatures still in the mid 20's.

As I will be away for our regular October monthly meeting, our Vice President Walter Eadie will be taking over running the meeting.

I am confident that everything will go as clockwork.

There are quite a few Special Events coming up in October and our most popular event will be our Christmas Luncheon being held this year on Thursday, December 4th at the Granite Ridge Golf Club. You will find more details further down in this newsletter.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our November monthly meeting on Wednesday November 5th.

Susan Popp

* Hubbard Glacier is the largest of eight calving glaciers in Alaska that are currently increasing in total mass and advancing. All of these glaciers calve into the sea, are at the heads of long fiords, have undergone retreats during the last 1,000 years, calve over relatively shallow submarine moraines.



20th Anniversary Celebration in November

You probably have already seen or heard that we plan to celebrate our Club's 20th Birthday at the November 5th Probus general meeting.

Please plan to stay a bit longer that day as we remember our early years and recognize those members who helped our club get started.

As a result, we will delay the normal break until 11:30 and provide you a light lunch to go with your coffee and tea.

Walter Eadie

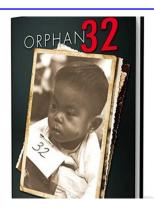
FROM OUR PROGRAM DIRECTORS

Don't miss our October speaker, Thanh Campbell .

He tells his side of Operation Babylift, the last attempt on April 12, 1975 by the Canadian government to evacuate 56 infants from Saigon. It was a frantic effort to save their lives before Saigon fell.

Thanh was Orphan 32.

Daphne Wand & Heddy Wright



FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Renewals must be paid by the February 2026 meeting.

Membership renewal dues for 2026 are now being collected. All renewals must be paid by February 4th, 2026.

You may pay the \$50 fee by e-transfer to miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com (preferred method) or by personal cheque at the October meeting.

Do it now and it's done!

Barbara Shein

FROM OUR FELLOWSHIP DIRECTOR

If you are aware of a member who is ill, hospitalized or lost a loved one, please advise our Fellowship Director or a member of the Management Committee.

Also, if you are in need of a ride to our Monthly Meetings or one of our events, please contact me to arrange for a pick-up.

Pat Oates

FROM OUR SPECIAL EVENTS DIRECTORS

Backed by Bees Visit

Thursday, September 18 twenty-one members entered into the world of bees.

Our tour of the apiary at Backed by Bees was educational and exciting as we got up close and connected with the bees.

From tasting honey fresh from the hive to petting bees, you can see we were a courageous group of learners. Our tour concluded with a light barbecue lunch and sharing some honey soda.













UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, October 22

members are invited to tour the

Lions Foundation Dog Guide facility in Oakville. Pre-registration is required.You can sign up at our Oct.1 monthly meeting or send a note to Vicky McGonigle or Lisa Covey.

We will meet in the MSC parking lot at 9:45 am to carpool to 152 Wilson St., Oakville.

Tour is scheduled for 10:30 am.

This is a FREE event but a voluntary donation is welcomed. We will pass an envelope to collect your cash donation and will provide it at the conclusion of the tour.

Members wishing to share lunch afterwards at St. Louis Grill (across from MSC) are asked to confirm plans with Lisa. Pay as you order.



Future Hockey stars?



Junior "A" hockey, where hockey careers begin.

Milton Menace play against Oakville Blades.

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See Junior A hockey at its best!

Saturday November 15

Puck drops at 7 p.m.

Sign-up for our "hockey night in Canada" at October's Monthly meeting We will meet at 6:45 in the main lobby of Sixteen Mile Sport Centre, Oakville.

\$10/ticket

payment by cheque, payable to The Probus Club of Milton or submit your funds directly by e-transfer to miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com.



Visit a National Historic site decorated for the Christmas season.



There is still time to sign up for a tour of Dundurn Castle in Hamilton for Tuesday, November 25 at 10:30.

Cost is \$11/member with lunch plans remaining to be sorted. Sign up at our October meeting and forward your payment to the treasurer via e-transfer or by personal cheque. (see previous page for details regarding payments)

Christmas is coming!!

It is sooner than you think. Purchase your ticket for our wonderful Christmas Luncheon Gala featuring music by Charlie Gracie on

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2025

The Gala includes door prizes, dancing, fellowship and a 3 course dinner at The Albatross Restaurant, Granite Ridge Golf Club, 9530 Dublin Line, Milton.

Dinner consists of butternut squash and apple soup, choice of entree: salmon, steak or chicken, served with roasted potatoes and fresh seasonal vegetables. Meal ends with tuxedo cake and coffee.

Please indicate your meal selection on your cheque or e-transfer.

As well as notify us if you have any dietary restrictions

Members pay \$60 and a partner/guest pays \$75. Doors open at 11. Lunch is served at noon. Cash bar is available.

Deadline to purchase tickets is November 21. Deadline for cancellation is November 24.

Payment can be made by cheque, payable to The Probus Club of Milton or submit your funds directly by e-transfer to miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Jokers Venue 1 – 1st Friday of the Month @ 1 pm

Ruth Parkinson hosted 16 Joker players at home on Friday, September 5th.

Four games were played. Dan Reid and Moe Rolph moved tables each game as they each won all four games they played.

Snacks and drinks were enjoyed during the games and desserts and tea and coffee after. Everyone enjoyed a a lovely afternoon of fellowship.

Jean Robinson



Jokers Venue 2 — 1^{st} Friday of the Month @ 1 pm

Anne hosted the Friday, September 5th, Joker Venue 2 group. The drinks and snacks were many and delicious.

There was only one 4 game winner. CONGRATULATIONS, Sylvia.

During our socializing time, we reminisced about the 2 cents pop bottle deposits, cursive writing and memorization assignments in school. All brought back interesting memories.

Zína & Joe Yaworskí



Wee Jokers — 3rd Friday of the Month @ 1:00 pm



Wee has finally returned home after an extended vacation, and it was wonderful to have him back with the group.

Congratulations to **David Hunt**, who was the three-game winner for September's Jokers!

A total of twelve members joined in for an enjoyable afternoon of cards, laughter, and good company.

Marlene Murphy

Spinecrackers (book club) - 2nd Thursday of the Month @ 1:30 pm



September Spinecrackers

Many thanks to Shelley (and Nancy!) for hosting. Our September meeting was a follow up to our guest author's presentation - Jen J. Danna (pen name Sara Driscoll)

Although it was not her newest book, we opted for Storm Rising.

In the novel, Meg and her canine, Hawk, are involved

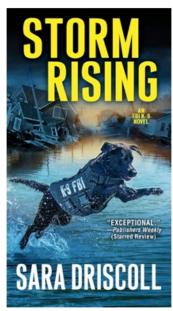
in a search and rescue mission in the aftermath of a devastating hurricane. It was interesting to read the various reasons why people refuse to evacuate, specially pertinent in light of the ongoing forest fires throughout Canada.

Meg works with the police and uncovers a sex trafficking organization thanks to a reporter

friend and the hero dogs.

Nancy Lynn





Bits and Bites — 3^{rd} Thursday of the Month @ 5 pm

While some of our Bits and Bites members were off cruising the rivers of France, the rest of us enjoyed a perfect September evening in Peter and Silvia's backyard.

Thanks to Peter's fine "weather ordering skills," the night couldn't have been better.

Fifteen members gathered to savour a tempting spread of appetizers and desserts, share stories, and enjoy each other's company—it was the perfect way to wrap up a late

summer evening.



Wednesday Euchre — 2nd Wednesday of the Month @ 1:30 pm

The Euchre group met on September 10th at the home of Barbara Shein. Since we had only six players in attendance, we continued to learn the playing of Six-Handed Euchre.

Since we played in groups of three and no table rotation occurred, we had a lot of fun and laughter but did not have any winner for the afternoon.

Our next event will be held on October 8th at the home of Shelley Azzano. New players are welcome...experience is not required.

Barbara Shein

Bid Euchre — 4th Wednesday of the Month @ 1:30 pm

Thank you to Linda & Dan Reid for hosting our Wed bid euchre game on Sept 24th and Bob Streeter and Bill Turnbull for sparing.

Our game winners were Linda (168), Dan (158) and Bill (155). Donna had a moon.

We all enjoyed our hosts snacks, juice and a tasty pumpkin pie with whipped cream.

Our next game will be on Oct 22nd.

Donna Elliot



Friday Bid Euchre —2nd Friday of the Month @ 1:00 pm

The September Friday Bid Euchre was hosted by Nancy and David. Snacks and beverages were abundant as everyone found their places.

It was another beautiful day outside and a great afternoon with friends inside. There were some upsets like calls and a MOON not making it.

The top three players were Dan, Bob and Brenda.

Thank you, Brenda for sparing.

Thank you Nancy and David for your hospitality and delicious lemon desserts during the entertaining social time after the games.

Zína & Joe Yaworskí



Probus River Cruise

Sixteen of us cruised up the Seine river from September 16th (when our red eye flight from Toronto arrived at the Charles de Gaul Airport in Paris) to September 24th when we flew home.

We were looked after royally by everyone on the Amadeus Diamond riverboat. A 24 hr general strike in France meant the lock was closed. Our itinerary had to be changed and yet they still arranged for us to see everything that was planned. We saw a palace, cathedrals, the Van Gogh museum, Paris, including the Eiffel Tower and Montmartre, Monet's house and gardens, the old cities of Honfleur and Rouen with the Joan of Arc modern church where she was burned at the stake, Étretat's white cliffs by the Atlantic Ocean, and of course, the Normandy beaches.

And the food was amazing! Lunch and dinner on the boat was 4 courses and scrumptious. In particular the soup. So we asked if the chef would give us the recipes. He actually gave

us three of them. The recipe for his carrot and orange soup is on the next page and would be great for Thanksgiving.

Lynn Townley



Carrot & Orange Soup

Ingredients

- 500g carrots, peeled and chopped roughly
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 1 potato, finely chopped
- Juice and zest of 2 oranges
- 1 tsp fresh ginger, grated
- 1-liter vegetable stock
- 1 tsp fresh thyme leaves
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 tsp butter
- 50ml whipping cream



. How to Make It

- Start with the basics:
- Melt a little butter or oil in a big pot. Add the chopped onion and cook until soft and slightly golden don't rush this bit, it brings out the sweetness.
- Add your flavours:
- Stir in the carrots, ginger, thyme, and coriander. Cook for a few minutes until everything smells incredible.
- Pour and simmer:
- Add the vegetable stock, bring it to a boil, then drop the heat and simmer for 20–25 minutes. The carrots should be tender but not mushy.
- Blend it all:
- Take the pot off the heat and let it cool for a minute or two (because exploding hot soup is nobody's friend). Then blend until smooth immersion blender is easiest, but a regular one works fine too.
- Zest it up:
- Pour the soup back into the pot and stir in the orange juice and zest. Taste and season. I usually go heavy on the pepper.
- · Heat and serve:
- Warm it gently. Serve with a swirl of cream, a sprinkle of fresh herbs, or just as it is. It's lovely either way.

Created by Delio Vargas Executive Chef

Grape Expectations —4th Tuesday of the Month @ 7 pm

As most were travelling there was no wine tasting in September. Join us in October.

Joe Bernardino

Bridge Group — 4th Thursday of the Month @ 1 pm

The bridge group did not meet over the summer, people were too busy travelling. The next bridge will be the end of October.

Ruth Parkinson

Canasta — 4th Friday of the Month @ 1pm

Moe Rolph was the gracious hostess for the September Canasta games.

Moe served a selection of snacks during playing time, carrot cake, tea and coffee for social time after the games.

Corinne Turnbull, and Brian Budworth were the two game winners.

October Canasta games will be played on Oct. 24th. Enjoy fall everyone.

AnnaMarie Jones



Did you Know?

Keeping Us Healthy

In addition to thinking about a flu shot this fall, there is now another vaccine available to many of us. Starting from fall 2025, **all Ontarians aged 75 and older** will be eligible for a **free**, **publicly funded RSV vaccine**.

This expansion builds on earlier programs that covered high-risk adults aged 60–74, infants up to 8 months, and high-risk children up to 2 years.

Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) is a common infection that affects the lungs and airways. While many people experience only mild, cold-like symptoms, RSV can cause serious illness in vulnerable groups such as infants, older adults, people with weakened immune systems, and people living with chronic lung conditions.

The Walking Group—Every Monday of the Month @ 9:15 am

The last few months' weather in Milton has been like Goldilocks and the Three Bears porridge i.e. too cold, too hot, then just right. May and June were too cold, July & August were too hot but September was j-u-s-t r-i-g-h-t.



The Probus Walking Group ventured out of town for our first two walks in September.

September 1 we were off to Halton Hills and then September 8 to Crawford Lake. Once you get up the hill at the beginning of the walk at Halton Hills, it is an especially relaxing walk through the woods to the Falls.

Every season the Falls change. The water can be down to a slow trickle or at another time the rush of water can be heard as you are approaching the Falls. In the winter the park staff often have a fire roaring while families sit around roasting marshmallows or wieners. It's a great family destination.

While walking along the boardwalk at Crawford Lake, you are skirting along the beautiful lake. One of the interesting features at Crawford Lake are the beautiful sculptures. It looked like the numerous sculptures were newly shellacked making each one look brand new.

On September 15, Pat McIntyre led us through the Sherwood Centre area of town (Indian Trail). Unfortunately, Pat Oates had to cancel our walk in town September 22nd due to rain.

Walter is back in town; so, if you would like to join us on a Monday morning walk, contact Walter at walter.eadie@cogeco.ca to have your name added to the email list.



Carol Streeter

September 1st Hilton Falls



September 8th Crawford Lake

This morning, I accidentally changed the GPS Voice to "Male." Now it just says, "It's around here somewhere. Keep driving."

9 out of 10 times when I lose something... it's because I put it in a safe place.

WHO KNEW THAT THE
HARDEST PART OF BEING
AN ADULT IS FIGURING OUT
WHAT TO COOK FOR DINNER
EVERY SINGLE NIGHT FOR
THE REST OF YOUR LIFE
UNTIL YOU DIE

A million kids want to clean up the earth.

A million parents want them to start with their rooms.

I finally figured out what I want to be when I get older.

Younger.



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