



# PROBUS Club of Milton



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A SOCIAL CLUB FOR RETIRED PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS PERSONS,  
FORMER EXECUTIVES AND OTHERS

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March 2020						
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**Next Meeting: Wednesday March 4  
10:00 am Milton Sports Centre Santa  
Maria Blvd**

**Greeters:** Anna Marie and Tom Jones  
Carole and Brian Budworth

**Coffee & Tea:** Alice Carey and  
Nancy Lynn

**Speaker:** Aruna Papp – domestic  
violence

**Member experiences:** Brian Budworth

## From our President:



Keep “Marching”  
“Beware the Ides of March”  
warns the soothsayer in  
Shakespeare’s *Julius Caesar*,  
thus making the March date  
the most notorious “ides” on  
the calendar. Since that  
warning was first uttered  
over 400 years ago, March  
had been a conflicted month.  
Weather watchers know that  
March often “comes in like a  
lion and goes out like a  
lamb”. The month of March

is frequently associated with the custom of “giving something  
up” as the period of Lent takes over the third page of the  
calendar.

While March has the infamous “Ides”, it is anything but an  
“Idle” month. The Welsh steal the lead with Saint David’s Day  
on March 1, a feast day in Wales since the 12<sup>th</sup> Century. Of  
course, the Irish invigorate the middle of the month with St.  
Patrick’s Day which colours beer, clothing and just about  
everything else in shades of Shamrock Green.

Somewhat more sober and sobering are events such as World  
Day of Prayer (March 6), International Women’s Day (March  
8), Earth Day (March 20) and World Water Day (March 22).  
These initiatives draw our attention to global issues of gender  
equality, environmental protection and improved access to  
clean water. Yes, the month of March gives us plenty to think  
about.

And for the sports fans among us, plenty to cheer about! Since  
1939 the month has been taken over by “March Madness”, as  
the US College Division I basketball championship  
tournament takes centre stage. Of course, Canadians fight  
back with our own madness known as The Brier, a celebration  
of the country’s masters of the Roaring Game of curling. (As a  
side note, one of the most Canadian aspects is that the Brier  
has been sponsored, successively, by a tobacco company, a  
brewery, and most recently by a coffee and doughnut empire!)  
Even the clocks get an extra work out in March, as we “spring  
ahead” to start the period of Daylight Savings Time. The third  
month of the year is definitely a period of busy-ness and  
activity.

Have I inspired you to look forward to a month of daily  
interests and activities? If you need a little bit more  
encouragement, here are some “Out of the Ordinary” March  
Days: Popcorn Lovers Day (March 12), National Chip and  
Dip Day (March 23) and Bunsen Burner Day (March 31).  
If you find you still have some space on your March calendar,  
don’t forget the regular Probud opportunities for activity and  
fellowship. Your club has it covered, from hiking, tasting beer  
or wine, playing Jokers and cards, to enjoying Bits and Bites  
with fellow club members. Just check the calendar of activities  
in this Newsletter.

When I pause to reflect on March and all that is squeezed on  
just a single calendar page, it is clear that this is a month to  
keep “Marching”.

**David Wentzell President**

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**From the Editor:** (Brian Murphy 905-659-2288; [brian\\_e\\_murphy@hotmail.com](mailto:brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com))



## Future inclement weather

If you wake up to bad weather on the day of a general meeting or other club function, **check your emails** for a possible notice of cancellation. In the case of a general meeting being cancelled, an email will be sent AND a phone call will also be made by a management committee member to you.



## Our February meeting

### Speaker



Rob Green welcomed us in his native African language and asked for volunteers to help make the “Sounds of The Drum”. He followed this by strumming and singing a song about lost freedoms and slavery (which was more lucrative than the buying and selling of spices and precious metals between 1501 and 1867). He then touched on the slave ships, the auctions, the beatings, the family separations and the arrival of Harriett Tubman, "the underground railway," and "safe houses".

The Underground Railway ended in Owen Sound and that was where Rob's family finally settled. Rob shared family photos and history through six generations from his great-great-great grandfather to the present day. Many statues, a street and a park, in Owen Sound, are named after his ancestors.

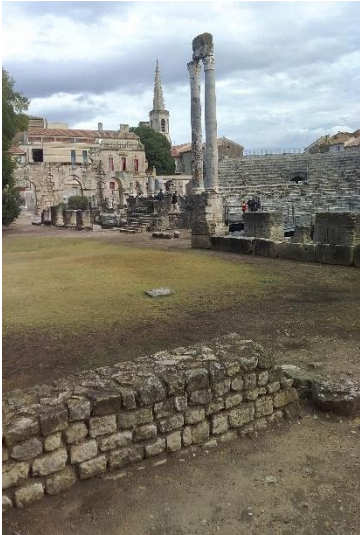
It was a very educational and enlightening presentation and opened our eyes to past intolerance and current and future possibilities: such as, Barrack Obama as 44th President of the United States and James Brown's slogan "I'm Black and I'm Proud".

Rob was introduced by Peter Sneyd and thanked by Pat Sneyd.

## Member Experiences at February meeting:

Pat McIntyre and Megs Shellard presented a collage of pictures from their France river cruise and land tour. Below is a sampling of those pictures.

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## Upcoming Speakers



**This meeting March:** Aruna Papp is a nationally and internationally recognized educator and advocate of human rights. Her focus is on women's rights in cross-cultural perspectives. She has written extensively on the issues facing immigrant women in Canada, and culturally rooted gender-based violence.

She is also a survivor of 18 years of domestic violence. Her marriage was arranged when she lived in India and she came to Canada in 1972 with a 3rd grade education and two little girls. Aruna has since earned two Masters degrees, founded three agencies in Ontario to help immigrant women and their families, and volunteered on a number of boards and committees. For 30 years Aruna worked as a counsellor/therapist assisting families dealing with domestic violence.



**Apr:** "Woodstock Revisited - 50-Year Anniversary" - There are historical events that mark moments in our lives; such as, what we were doing when Kennedy was assassinated, where we were on 9/11 and what was happening in our lives when 500,000 people arrived at a farm in Woodstock for a music festival in 1969.

Well, we are pleased to have Daniel Aonso from Circles Enrichment with us this month to help us revisit this historic event of "three-days of peace and love." The Woodstock Festival still resonates throughout all music today: Joan Baez, Johnny Winter, Joe Cocker, and Jimi Hendrix - a festival of hippie culture, anti-Vietnam war, free love and rock 'n roll. This will be an educational and enlightening musical presentation.



**May:** What makes a commodity so special? Who assigns its value? What power could a pearl, a tea leaf, a grain of salt yield? How could the world be held hostage by these often-frivolous goods?

In this engaging presentation, award-winning presenter Lianne Harris will take a look at some of the top commodities in history and examine why they were coveted, what purpose they served, who was willing to pay the price for them, and who ended up suffering for it.

An enlightening and enthusiastic look at treachery, greed, power, tenacity and contrived luxury that exploited the world and whose benefits we still demand, and whose fruits we still poignantly reap.



**Jun:** Jan Sherman is a much beloved, respected First Nations teller, an Anishinaabe woman, mother, culture keeper, storyteller, drummer, singer, and spiritual guide.

Through Jan's thoughtful, captivating storytelling, we learn to appreciate and honour Indigenous ancestral earth teachings and we learn, not only about those ancients who were once here, but those who are still here. For over 20 years, Jan has given voice as a First Nations culture keeper, sharing stories not only locally, but globally as well.

Jan's Circle will include some integral information about treaties and reconciliation, worldview and relevant stories, and drum songs. This Circle will be interactive so come prepared to raise your voice in gratitude and celebration!

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## Upcoming Member Experiences

**This meeting March:** Brian Budworth will discuss “Retail in the Seventies”.

**Apr:** Annual General Meeting

**May:** Pat McIntyre will share her experience working with the Eaton family and the Eaton store.

**Our management met on February 17th at the home of Marlene and Brian Murphy.**

**Walter Eadie reports on items of interest from the meeting as follows:**

- From our year-end total of 155 members, 16 did not renew for 2020 and 4 new members have joined so we are now at 143.
- The 2019 financial statements and 2020 budget will be distributed to members in March, ahead of the April AGM
- The slate of nominees for election to the Management Committee will be announced in March. Nominations are still open.
- Probus month will be recognized this year at our AGM in April



**From our Membership Director:** (Rose Ryan 905-878-5476; [rryan@bell.net](mailto:rryan@bell.net))

Two new members were approved at the management meeting on February 17th and will be inducted at the March general meeting. This brings the membership count to 143 members.

New members are reminded to send their bios as their introduction to the membership. Please submit these to Rose Ryan.

New members inducted during the February General Meeting:

(L to R) Rose Ryan (Membership Director), Mellie Giammarco, Betty McWhinney and David Wentzell (President).



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## SHARE THE WEALTH

January winners were Colleen Ligertwood and Anne Taylor. Winners received \$43.50 each.



**From our Fellowship Directors:** (Werner Krebs 905-876-3105; [wkrebs@distributed.net](mailto:wkrebs@distributed.net) and Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288; [marlene\\_murphy@hotmail.com](mailto:marlene_murphy@hotmail.com))

## Greeting Cards



If you know of a member who is ill, hospitalized or lost a loved one, please advise the Fellowship Director or a member of the management committee.

If you or a fellow Probus member is moving out of the area, please inform us.



**TRAVEL** (Joe and Zina Yaworski - travel event coordinators 905-878-3959; [joe\\_zina@hotmail.com](mailto:joe_zina@hotmail.com))

## **September 2020 Nashville and Memphis**

(Terry Cole- Probus trip coordinator 905-875-0171)



### **Booking still open**

Complete details and download available on your website

**[www.miltonprobus.ca](http://www.miltonprobus.ca)** (Club activities page)



Have you ever walked through the gates of historic Graceland and delved into the private side of Elvis Presley's life? Would you like to visit The Ryman auditorium (home of true country music) or sit down to enjoy "The Grand Ole Opry"?

If so, keep September 13th thru 19th 2020 open.

If you already have the brochure and information sheet, you should contact Nancy Liu (Tour Design).

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**Special Events:** (Pat McIntyre 905-876-4040; [pat.mcintyre@sympatico.ca](mailto:pat.mcintyre@sympatico.ca) and Susan Popp 905-876-3241; [susulucky66@icloud.com](mailto:susulucky66@icloud.com))

## January – Robbie Burns Night

A celebration of Robbie Burns, a Scots poet of great reputation, took place at Martindale Gardens retirement home on January 25th.

Twenty-four of our members attended, with some dressed in tartans and kilts, to raise a dram of scotch to honour Robbie Burns with a toast.

Gail Brown, a world champion bagpiper, piped in the haggis. Recently, she was one of 100 women in Milton to be honoured by the CFUW, on their 100th anniversary. Then, we enjoyed a bonnie repast of blossom salad, neeps and tatties with Guinness bratwurst, and raspberry cranachan for dessert.

Walter Eadie talked to us about the life and poetic genius of Robbie Burns, with insights into his creative works. We enjoyed stories and a song by several members and enjoyed laughter and comradery for a successful event.



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## February – Valentine’s Day Luncheon

The ballroom at The Grand Chalet was elegant and the brilliant white banquet table glistened with silver and glass under a crystal chandelier.

Fifteen members gathered for soup or salad, and chose from the selection of veal scallopini, chicken cacciatore, fillet salmon or ricotta stuffed pasta.

We all toasted the occasion and shared experiences of love and friendship.





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## March – Longos Demo Chef Event

**DATE:** March 13th from noon to 2:00PM

**COST:** \$40 (limited to 20)

**LOCATION:** 1079 Maple Ave. Milton

Cook Like a Pro – The cooking classes and culinary events are hosted by professional chefs and instructors who help teach you the ropes and up your culinary game.



## April – Ford Motor Plant Tour

**DATE:** April 7th Tour 1 at 9:30am (limited to 12)

Tour 2 at 11:00am (limited to 12)

**COST:** Free

**LOCATION:** 1400 The Canadian Road, Oakville

The tour will consist of a riding, guided tour of the Ford Assembly plant in Oakville where the current Ford Edge/Lincoln Nautilus is manufactured. The tour will last approx. 1 hour.



## April – Five Pin Bowling

**DATE:** April 28th from 10:00am to noon

**COST:** \$10 which includes 3 games and shoes (limited to 24 players)

**LOCATION:** Streetsville Bowl, 128 Queen Street South, Mississauga

There will be six lanes with teams of four people. Prizes will be awarded for top score, best team, and person with the top score in all three games. The winners will be announced during lunch.

After bowling we will go to a restaurant (TBD) close to the bowling venue. This meal will be a la carte and pay your own.

Please sign up for this event at the March general meeting and indicate if you plan to attend the bowling, bowling and lunch or lunch only.



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## Spring/Summer – Car Rally

**DATE: TBD**

**COST: TBD**

**LOCATION: TBD**

A car rally is being planned for a future date in the Spring/Summer months....more details to come for this fun event.



The e-transfer option has been extended to all functions where payments are made to Milton Probus. You will need to identify the purpose of payment in the “Comments” section i.e. bowling, membership renewal etc.

Use [miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:miltonprobustreasurer@gmail.com) as the e-mail address to remit payment.

Please notify the convenor to register for the event first.

Give it a try and see how easy it is!



### **1 Bits and Bites on Thursday night** (Carol Elliott 905-875-3980; [celliott7@cogeco.ca](mailto:celliott7@cogeco.ca))

What a great time we had at Marlene and Brian Murphy's on February 20th. There were eleven of us in attendance and as I always say, the food was amazing. We had lots of laughs. Our conversation eventually was about travel. It was very interesting listening to different places where people have travelled and where some plan on going this year.

I would like to thank Marlene for all the fabulous desserts. The rice pudding was delicious along with all the other goodies.

If anyone is interested in joining our group please see me at Probus or call me at 905-875-3980.

### **2 Bridge** (Shirley Mathews 905-636-8680; [mathews@sympatico.ca](mailto:mathews@sympatico.ca))

Updated in April newsletter.

### **3 Canasta** (Alice Carey 905-336-6309; [carealic@sympatico.ca](mailto:carealic@sympatico.ca))

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### **4 Euchre** (Darel & Carol Crawford 519-836-1985; [dcraw4d@sympatico.ca](mailto:dcraw4d@sympatico.ca))

Diane Mitchell hosted the February Euchre game. With the help of several of our spares, we had three tables of players.

The winners were:

High Score – Myra Faichnie

Second High – Elizabeth Hampson

Most Lone Hands – Werner Krebs

And the Free Ride went to the hostess, Diane Mitchell.

We all enjoyed a delicious luncheon, especially the Blueberry Bundt Cake!

The March game will be hosted by Carol Elliott.



### **5 Friday Bid Euchre** (Joe & Zina Yaworski 905-878-3959; [joe\\_zina@hotmail.com](mailto:joe_zina@hotmail.com))

The Bid Euchre game on Friday, February 14th, started at 2:30pm due to some players attending the Valentine Luncheon at The Grand Chalet beforehand.

Our hosts were Corinne and Bill Turnbull. Fun was had by all with lots of tidbits, hors d'oeuvres and sweets served to all.

The big winners were:

First Place: Anne Taylor (221)

Second Place, Bonnie Chapman (201)

Third Place, Lyn Ward (187) (who also had a Moon)

and the Voodoo went to Carol Elliott (score unreported!!!).



### **6 Wednesday Bid Euchre** (Myra Faichnie 905-878-6615; [billmyra@sympatico.ca](mailto:billmyra@sympatico.ca))

Wednesday Bid Euchre was cancelled for February.

### **7 The Hiking Club** (Co-Leader Alice Carey 905-336-6309; [carealic@sympatico.ca](mailto:carealic@sympatico.ca) Leader Marilyn Morita 905-854-5046; [george.morita@sympatico.ca](mailto:george.morita@sympatico.ca))

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### **8-1 Joker** (John Williams 905-875-1077; [cj.williams@sympatico.ca](mailto:cj.williams@sympatico.ca))

A Joker venue gathered in the delightful seaside resort of Carvoeiro, in the Algarve Region of Portugal, for the first ever Trans-Atlantic Joker game. Carroll and John Williams hosted the gathering on a warm sunny afternoon without SNOW. Good fun was had by all, despite the crowding of twelve players, plus two observers, into the vacation apartment and the climb each made up the 56 steps to the entrance. Four players (Dan Reid, David Lynn, Murray Switzer and Bob Streeter) achieved the coveted three game wins, although it took four games to get there!

Back in Milton, Jane and Terry Cole hosted the second venue where another two players (Elaine Carson and Gilles St Pierre) were three game winners. Terry reported that many were still following their New Year's resolutions, although they were tempted by Jane's sumptuous lemon poppy seed cake and orange pound cake.



### **8-2 Jester Joker** (Peter Sneyd 905-693-1708; [psneyd@sympatico.ca](mailto:psneyd@sympatico.ca))

The Jester Joker games were hosted by Bill and Corinne Turnbull, who hosted the “Peaches”, and Patricia Kotack, who hosted the “Plums”. There were two three game winners at each venue with Bill Turnbull and Dulce Bernardino making it a clean sweep at the Turnbull's, while Anna Marie Jones and Michael Hooker won all three of their games at Patricia's. Both groups enjoyed snacking and laughter throughout the play with some lively discussions afterwards.

Thank you to our hosts at both venues.



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**8-3 Wee Joker** (Brian & Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288; [brian\\_e\\_murphy@hotmail.com](mailto:brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com); [marlene\\_murphy@hotmail.com](mailto:marlene_murphy@hotmail.com))

Wee Jokers had two three-game winners this month. Gaye Bovair and George Morita came out on top. This is Gaye's first time a three-game winner. Very well done.

Thank you to Marilyn and George Morita and Anna Marie and Tom Jones for sparing.

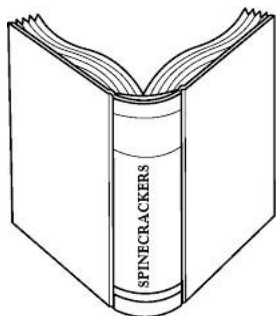
The Wee Jokers welcomed Bonnie Chapman to the group. She came so close to being a three-game winner. It came right down to the wire.

We played four tables at the home of our gracious hosts, Henry and Susan Popp. We had another enjoyable afternoon of visiting and play.



Thank you to Susan and Henry for the delicious snacks and lunch.

**9 Spinecrackers** (Nancy Lynn 905-319-0191; [dhlynn@sympatico.ca](mailto:dhlynn@sympatico.ca))

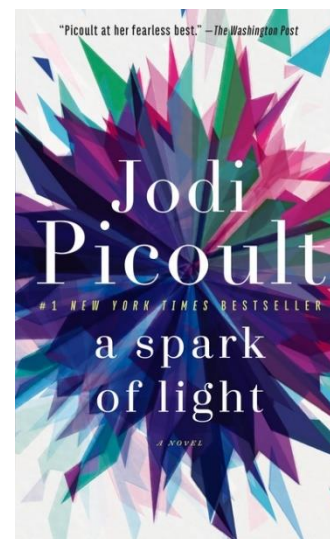


Many thanks to Brenda Morrow for hosting our February meeting.

Although the group was much smaller in physical presences, our readers continued to read and evaluate and send in opinions from great distances.

This month, the book chosen was **A Spark of Light** by Judy Picoult. Most felt the author presented a platform for discussion on the issue of abortion

without racial, religious, cultural or economic bias.



**10 Grape Expectations Wine Club** (Tom & Alice Carey 905-336-6309; [carealic@sympatico.ca](mailto:carealic@sympatico.ca))

Ten wine tasters attended the Scarrows for venue 1, on January 28th. The theme was wines from Argentina. Two whites and four reds were tasted.

The favorite of the night was a Malbec 2017 called Felino (Argentina is well known for its Malbecs), which averaged a score of 15.6 out of total maximum of 20. The Felino wine, that was tasted, is produced in the Mendoza Province, which produces almost 75% of Argentina wines.

Did you know Argentina is the largest wine producer in South America?

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To enhance the evening, Darlene prepared foods from Argentina, including Asado (grilled) beef with Chimichurri sauce and Dulche de leche desserts.



For the first time we had two venues for our tasting. The venue 2 tasting was held at the Carey's, "Our First Tasting of the Year".

We hosted eight tasters at our venue and the theme of the evening was "Taster's Choice". This was a selection of wines previously chosen by tasters over the last five years of the Club...not necessarily "top choices" just a general selection of wines.

We were pleased to welcome two new members to the Club for our tasting...Dana Weatherell and Sharon White.

After the tasting, we sat and chatted over tea and coffee, a selection of cheeses and oatcakes, and of course the evening would not be complete without a dessert.

### **11 Suds Sippers Beer Tasting Club** (Walter Eadie 905-691-5100; [walter.eadie@cogeco.ca](mailto:walter.eadie@cogeco.ca))

Seven suds sippers sat sipping suds at David Hunt's this month. Our other members were no doubt doing the same, but in warmer climes.

Undeterred, David introduced us to five of the best British Isles exports (excluding Harry and Meghan who were unavailable). We tried two beers from Ireland, two from England and one from Scotland.

Lots of opinions, lots of stories and a few jokes thrown in (thanks Tom Jones). No outright winner but everyone went away with notes on what they will try again.

Next month's meeting is at David Wentzell's. Come join us.



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## Club Activity Schedule

<b>Club</b>	<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Convenor</b>	<b>Telephone</b>	<b>Email</b>
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i>	1st Fri. - 1:30 pm	John Williams	905-875-1077	cj.williams@sympatico.ca
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Jester Joker</i>	2nd Tues.- 1:30 pm	Peter Sneyd	905-693-1708	psneyd@sympatico.ca
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Wee Joker</i>	3rd Fri. - 1:30 pm	Brian Murphy	905-659-2288	b_e_murphy@hotmail.com
Book Club - <i>Spinecrackers</i>	2nd Thurs. - 1:30 pm	Nancy Lynn	905-319-0191	dhlynn@sympatico.ca
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Friday</i>	2nd Fri. - 1:00 pm	Zina Yaworski	905-878-3959	joe_zina@hotmail.com
Cards - Bid Euchre – <i>Wednesday</i>	4th Wed. - 1:30 pm	Myra Faichnie	905-878-6615	billmyra@sympatico.ca
Cards - Bridge	4th Thurs. - 1:00 pm	Shirley Mathews	905-636-8680	mathews@sympatico.ca
Cards - Canasta	4th Fri. - 1:00 pm	Alice Carey	905-336-6309	carealic@sympatico.ca
Cards - Euchre	3rd Wed. - 7:30 pm	Carol Crawford	519-836-1985	dcraw4d@sympatico.ca
Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i>	3rd Thurs. - 5:00 pm	Carol Elliott	905-875-3980	celliot7@cogeco.ca
Probus Info Network - PIN	Online only - no meetings	Bill Turnbull	905-878-9573	turnbullwt@yahoo.com
Tastings – Beer – <i>Suds Sippers</i>	3rd Tues. - 7:00 pm	Walter Eadie	905-691-5100	walter.eadie@cogeco.ca
Tastings – Wine - <i>Grape Expectations</i>	4th Tues. - 7:00 pm	Alice Carey	905-336-6309	carealic@sympatico.ca
Travel – Event Coordinator		Zina Yaworski	905-878-3959	joe_zina@hotmail.com
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	Every Mon. - 9:30 am	Marilyn Morita	905-854-5046	george.morita@sympatico.ca



*First Day  
of Spring*

March 20,



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## MARCH CALENDAR

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	CONVENOR
<b>Activities</b>				
General Meeting	March 4	10:00 AM	Milton Sports Centre	David Wentzell
Longos Demo Chef Event	March 13	12:00 noon	Longos, Milton	Pat McIntyre/Susan Popp
Executive Meeting	March 16	2:00 PM	Ray Mathews	David Wentzell
<b>Clubs</b>				
Probus Info Network - PIN				Bill Turnbull
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	March 2	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i>	March 6	1:30 PM	Alice Carey/Zina Yaworski	John Williams
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	March 9	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Jester Joker</i>	March 10	1:30 PM	Joe Bernardino/Megs Shellard	Peter Sneyd
Book Club - <i>Spinecrackers</i>	March 12	1:30 PM	Susan Popp	Nancy Lynn
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Friday</i>	March 13	1:00 PM	Carol Elliott	Zina Yaworski
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	March 16	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Beer – <i>Suds Sippers</i>	March 17	7:00 PM	David Wentzell	Walter Eadie
Cards - Euchre	March 18	7:30 PM	Carol Elliott	Carol Crawford
Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i>	March 19	5:00 PM	Joe Yaworski	Carol Elliott
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Wee Joker</i>	March 20	1:30 PM	Marlene and Brian Murphy	Brian Murphy
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	March 23	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Wine – <i>Grape Expectations</i>	March 24	7:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Wednesday</i>	March 25	1:30 PM	Donna Elliott/John Stubbington	Myra Faichnie
Cards - Bridge	March 26	1:00 PM	Bonnie Chapman	Shirley Mathews
Cards - Canasta	March 27	1:00 PM	Nancy and David Lynn	Alice Carey
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	March 30	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita



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## APRIL CALENDAR

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	CONVENOR
<b>Activities</b>				
General Meeting	April 1	10:00 AM	Milton Sports Centre	David Wentzell
Ford Plant Tour	April 7	9:30/11:00	Oakville	Pat McIntyre/Susan Popp
Executive Meeting	April 20	2:00 PM	Clare Ganson-Bell	David Wentzell
Five Pin Bowling	April 28	10:00 AM	Streetsville Bowl	Susan and Henry Popp
<b>Clubs</b>				
Probus Info Network - PIN				Bill Turnbull
Board Games – Jokers - <i>Joker</i>	April 3	1:30 PM	Carol Elliott/Linda Reid	John Williams
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	April 6	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Book Club - <i>Spinecrackers</i>	April 9	1:30 PM	Shirley McColeman	Nancy Lynn
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Friday</i>	April 10	1:00 PM	Caroll Williams	Zina Yaworski
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	April 13	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Jester Joker</i>	April 14	1:30 PM	Pat Sneyd/Darlene Scarrow	Peter Sneyd
Cards - Euchre	April 15	7:30 PM	Myra Faichnie	Carol Crawford
Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i>	April 16	5:00 PM	Alice Carey	Carol Elliott
Board Games – Jokers – <i>Wee Joker</i>	April 17	1:30 PM	David Hunt	Brian Murphy
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	April 20	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Beer – <i>Suds Sippers</i>	April 21	7:00 PM	Tom Jones	Walter Eadie
Cards - Bid Euchre - <i>Wednesday</i>	April 22	1:30 PM	Anna Marie and Tom Jones	Myra Faichnie
Cards - Bridge	April 23	1:00 PM	Caroll and John Williams	Shirley Mathews
Cards - Canasta	April 24	1:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey
Walkers – <i>The Hiking Club</i>	April 27	9:30 AM	E-mail notification	Marilyn Morita
Tastings - Wine – <i>Grape Expectations</i>	April 28	7:00 PM	TBD	Alice Carey

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## JOKE AND WISE WORDS OF THE MONTH

*(Send your submission for possible inclusion in a future newsletter)*

### **DRUNK NEEDS A PUSH**

A loud pounding on the door awakened a man and his wife at 3:00 am. The man gets up and goes to the door where a drunken stranger, standing in the pouring rain, is asking for a push.

"Not a chance," says the husband, "it is 3:00 in the morning!" He slams the door and returns to bed.

"Who was that?" asked his wife.

"Just some drunk guy asking for a push," he answers.

"Did you help him?" she asks.

"No, I did not, it's 3:00 am in the morning and it's bloody pouring rain out there!"

"Well, you have a short memory," says his wife. "Can't you remember about three months ago when our car broke down, and those two guys helped us? I think you should help him, and you should be ashamed of yourself! God loves drunk people too, you know."

The man does as he is told, gets dressed, and goes out into the pounding rain.

He calls out into the dark, "Hello, are you still there?"

"Yes," comes back the answer.

"Do you still need a push?" calls out the husband.

"Yes, please!" comes the reply from the dark.

"Where are you?" asks the husband.

I love this part.

"Over here on the swing!" replied the drunk.

### **The Three Stages of Retirement:**

Go-Go

Slow-Go

No-Go

*Courtesy of Bonnie Chapman*

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Life is so short.  
We spend so much time sweating  
the small stuff worrying,  
complaining, gossiping, comparing,  
wishing, wanting and waiting for  
something bigger and better  
instead of focusing on all the  
simple blessings that surround us  
everyday  
Life is so fragile and all it takes is  
a simple moment to change  
everything you take for granted.  
Focus on what's important  
and be grateful.  
You are blessed! Believe it!  
Live your life and leave  
no regrets.



BE HAPPY  
ENJOY LIFE

