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Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 1st, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. at Milton Sports Centre

From the President: (William Scarrow 905-878-7176; billy@scarrow.ca)



Your management met May 16 (the first in person management meeting for yearsyes years, hosted by Brian and Marlene Murphy -Some discussion highlights Changes to the Covid precautions for the June general meeting discussed and finalized; there are a few changes from May; details follow in this Pulse Our May 4 general meeting held as a hybrid meeting (attendance in person or by Zoom);

50 members were present in person and 4 via Zoom, many more in person than my

expectations.

Let me know your comments on meeting structure (positive and negative)

Nancy Lynn- new members approved

Maureen Rolph and Pat Oates; we now have 123 members

PIN- A discussion was held on content for Pulse and PIN; **Bill Turnbull, PIN** manager was requested to update us all with a submission on PIN to the June Pulse which update follows

Bob Streeter Probus meeting equipment- Bob described the technical operation results of the May hybrid meeting and will be submitting a list of new equipment requests after his further equipment review

Darlene Scarrow detailed Probus Special events for the future which follow in the Pulse

Alice Carey, Treasury provided updated financials and cash book; results are- we are in good shape financially.

Next Management meeting Henry Popp Vice President will chair and host August 15 meeting as I will be on vacation.



Rabbit from Hat Award goes to **Carole Budworth** for finding a speaker (actually 2) for our June meeting after the unexpected cancellation of the planned speaker

Spring is here, flowers are blooming, Friday 13th in Port Dover AND we just got a near tornado







See you all **June 1** (hybrid meeting). Next President's letter September 2022.

From Our Program Directors: (Carol Streeter 343-996-7519, streeter.ci@gmail.com Carole & Brian Budworth 905-878-8545, caroleb42@hotmail.com)

There will be two speakers doing the presentation in June so here are their bios:



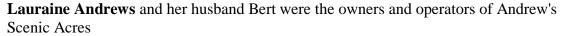
Astrid Lakats is the Chair of the Board of Townsend Smith Foundation and a resident of North

Milton. She is a Chartered Professional Accountant with her own practice in Milton. She has

been an instructor at York University in both graduate and undergraduate programs. Astrid is a past

Board Chair of the Mississauga Halton Community Care Access Centre and has served on boards

of numerous other non-for-profit organizations. In her time with Community Care, she saw the profound impact of hospice care on terminally ill patients and their families. She is honoured to be part of this incredible journey to build a hospice in North Halton.



for many years. She is a professional social worker and worked for 20 years in palliative and geriatric

care. She worked at Mississauga Hospital, Halton Centennial Manor and Community Care Access

Centre in the north Halton area. While with CCAC, she learned about Hospice Care and it has become her passion to help bring a much needed Hospice to Milton, Georgetown and Acton. Lauraine is also a member of our very own Probus Club.

FROM WILLIAM SCARROW YOUR PRESIDENT Covid Safety precautions for the May in person general meeting.

Do you have Covid symptoms?

Members or others who have any Covid symptoms are requested **NOT** to attend. If unsure, go to COVID-19 self-assessment on the Ontario Ministry of Health website.

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Members and others attending must wear masks. Your mask can be removed, while social distancing, when speaking to the meeting as a whole.

Greeters

As in the past, you will be greeted outside the door to the meeting room (by your Fellowship Director Pat McIntyre and member Heather Ley in May) who will guide you to the table manned by our Membership Director, Nancy Lynn and former Membership Director Anne Eadie to pick up your pins and **sign in**. A **list of attendees** will be kept in case of need.

Vaccinations

Any member, guests or others who have not submitted their vaccination certificate to our Membership Director must submit them at this time.

Sanitization

Member pins and other meeting items will be sanitized.

We will attempt to provide ventilation to the room as much as can be done.

Hand sanitizers and masks

for those who need them will be provided.

Hugs and handshakes

will be discouraged; greeters will politely decline if a member indicates a handshake or hug and can offer a bow, elbow bump or nod instead

Intermingling with other guests

Guests may intermingle but we suggest following Covid precautions including social distancing.

Coffee break

Coffee will not be served but there will be a 15-minute break for washroom or just to relax

Seating - chairs and tables

Members are encouraged not to move chairs or tables

Microphones

Two microphones will be provided, one for the meeting convener (usually the President) and one for the guest speaker if the speaker is attending in person. These microphones will not be available to any other persons for hygiene purposes.

Questions from members

Any members speaking to the meeting are asked to come to the front and stand by the podium, look at the computer on the podium, and speak into the top of the provided microphone. This will allow Zoom to broadcast and allow speaker & members attending by Zoom to hear you.



Share the wealth Exact change only will be accepted.

Management believes the foregoing protocols will create for members and guests, a meeting environment that minimizes risks of transmission of COVID-19 based on best practices and public health guidelines and have our members and guests feel safe and secure.

PIN Network (PIN Coordinator - Bill Turnbull - turnbullwt@yahoo.com)

I have been asked to give members a brief update on the PIN Network.

PIN stands for the Probus Information Network. It is basically a means of getting information to or from other Milton Probus Members. The network consists of a database of our members who have requested to join, have provided their email address, and consented to receiving emails. Below are some examples of the type of emails that you might receive, or information that you might request, should you wish to join.

Let's say you are would like to hire a painter, however you have limited information about tradespeople in the area. You send an email to PIN, requesting suggestions from the membership as to a painter that they have used, and were pleased with. That request is then forwarded to all PIN members, who will then reply directly to the requesting member.

Another example could be trying to find a home for a piece of furniture that you have no further need for, and wish to "give away, free of charge". That information would also be circulated to the membership. Remember this is not a means to sell something – it has to be free.

A further example would be to announce an event being held by a small group that one of our members is involved in. Say a bake sale at the local church, or similar small event. It must be a group that the member belongs to, and who receives no gain from the activity.

We currently have a PIN membership of about 45 people/couples. If you would like to become a member, sent me an email and I will be happy to register you and welcome you into the network. I have used this resource myself a couple of times and found it to be beneficial.

From Our Special Events Directors: (Darlene Scarrow 647-588-7176 darlns@scarrow.ca Heddy Wright 905-483-6445 wright.heddy@gmail.com)



The Milton History Walk-Victoria Park and Main Street is planned for Wednesday September 14 at 2 pm. Our own Walter Eadie will lead a group of 15 people on this interesting walk through the Town's history. Walk is approx. 1 hour long. Cost is \$10/person Cash at the September General Meeting. If there is sufficient interest, a second tour may be organized.

The Shaw Theatre production of Damn Yankees on September 15 is booked. Thirteen members of the club plan to have lunch before the lively production.





The Mohawk Racetrack Evening will be planned for Friday October 14th. A group of 25 can be accommodated. Dinner will be from the Harvest Table menu as the Buffet is not available due to Covid restrictions There is currently a waiting list for this popular event. Details will be finalized at the September meeting.



Hear Ye Hear Ye You are Cordially Invited to A Special Event The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Garden Party



When: Wednesday July 13, 2022

Where: Scarrow Castle 5030 14th Sideroad

Time:3-6 pm

Cost: \$15 per person Cash Only at June General Meeting or In person delivery **Dress**: Garden Finery -Fascinators, Suspenders, **No** Ripped Jeans or Flip Flops

BYOC (Chairs) and Preferred Wine

RSVP by June 30 to darlns@scarrow.ca or wright.heddy@gmail.com



Minimum 35 persons paid required for event to take place;
Maximum 70 persons



From Our Fellowship Director: (Patricia McIntyre 905-876-4040; pat.mcintyre@sympatico.ca)

Greeting Cards



Dear Probus Members:

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



Thank you.



From Communications: (David Hunt 905-875-0350: david.hunt@cogeco.ca) (Brian Murphy 905-659-2288:brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com)

This is the last issue of Pulse that will be published until August 24th. Stay safe everyone and have a great summer.

Special Interest Groups

1 Bits and Bites (Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288; marlene murphy@hotmail.com)
(Anne Eadie 905-878-7143 aeadiehome@cogeco.ca)

Mother Nature cooperated. The weather was perfect and we were able to hold our first get-together outdoors. Twenty members enjoyed the delicious appetizers and dessert. A few new members have joined Bits and Bites and were able to join us for the evening. Listening to all of the chatter and laughter, I would say everyone had an enjoyable time.

Information will follow in regards to next months meeting.











2 Bridge (Kathy Sellers (647-227-7036: <u>kathleensellers@hotmail.com</u>)

Games will be online or in-person depending on players' preferences each month.

3 Canasta (Alice Carey 905-336-6309; carealic@sympatico.ca)

The Canasta team remain in safety mode and are evaluating monthly. Stay tuned for updates.

4 Euchre

The Euchre group is looking of a new Coordinator. Any volunteers?

5 Friday Bid Euchre (Joe & Zina Yaworski 905-878-3959; joe_zina@hotmail.com)

SO GOOD, SO GOOD to be together again!

The Friday Bid Euchre group is back playing in person.

Thanks to Carol Elliott for hosting with such wonderful treats.

The smiles on everyone's faces shows just how much better it is to play together in person.

Bill Turnbull took the top prize, followed by Bob Streeter and Carol Streeter. David Lynn got to take our lovely statuette home!

Our next games are at Nancy and David Lynn's home on Friday June 10th at 1pm.



6 Wednesday Bid Euchre

The Bid Euchre group is looking of a new Coordinator. Any volunteers?

7 The Walking Group (Terry Cole 905-845-0171; terryjane@sympatico.ca) (Walter Eadie 905-691-5100 walter.eadie@cogeco.ca)

Spring has obviously arisen. The WF Hiltons is spalshing in all it's granduer. The PWG has managed to increase the number of participants to an average of 16 walkers per outing. It must mean that we are finally coming out of two years of hibernation .

The weather has been cooperative for most of May. The wild flowers and lilacs are out in bloom. The Mill pond was busy families enjoying the trails and attempting to entice fish into nibbling newly baited hooks. While we were out were give a great lesson on the historical facts of Milton's past. This included the Mill Pond and it's accompanying mill, as well as the stories of the original train station and of course P.L. Robertson's aid to the economic growth of the town. Thanks to Walter.

PWG managed to add another 363,758 steps to our total. This brings us to 89,551,217 total steps. I would like to thank the group for helping out while Jane and I were away on our Great Lakes adventure.







8-1 Jokers (Venue 1 - Linda Reid 905-878-7717; dlreid@sympatico.ca)

(Venue 2 – Joe & Zina Yaworski 905-878-3959; joe_zina@hotmail.com)



Presentation to Bob Streeter

I asked everyone at the Probus meeting who had played the online game to stand and show Bob their appreciation. Bob spent many hours creating an online version of Jokers for us to use during the Covid isolation.

Linda

Jokers - Venue 1



We started the afternoon with dessert, tea and coffee for two tables of Joker players.

Everyone was happy to be together to play jokes after the two year Covid break. We finished the afternoon socializing with a glass of wine.

Denise Potter was a 3 game winner.

Linda

Jokers - Venue 2

On Friday May 6th we had our first in person Joker games since 2020!

Joe and Zina Yaworski hosted the afternoon.

At the front door everyone reintroduced themselves...it has been so long that we barely recognized each other. The afternoon started with hot and cold beverages along with poppyseed cake and coconut cream pie. After chatting and catching up, it was time to play Joker.

We admit there was a bit of adjustment from online to in person playing and for those who did not play online, remembering the rules.

After the first game, everyone was off to the races, well maybe not everyone. Tom didn't get much of a chance to "race" but he did win that final game!

Carol Budworth was the afternoon champ with 4 wins!

It was a fun afternoon and we look forward to next month's games hosted by Carol E. at 1.30pm.







8-3 Wee Joker (Brian & Marlene Murphy 905-659-2288; brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com; marlene_murphy@hotmail.com

Nine members of the Wee Joker's were available to play on Friday, May 20. It was a great way to kick off the long weekend.

We are all enjoying the in-person play and fellowship.

As we move into June, we will celebrate Summer Solstice, the day with the longest period of sunlight. We must enjoy these longer days.

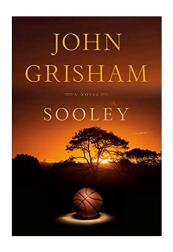
On June 19th we celebrate all fathers. It is also World Sauntering Day. So take time, slow down, enjoy nature, smell the roses and enjoy life.





9 Spinecrackers (Nancy Lynn 905-319-0191;

lynn67.personal@gmail.com)



Wonderful and exciting and enjoyable - all about our members meeting in real life! The book was definitely secondary to the conversation and treats. Many thanks to Linda and Dan Reid for hosting our first together meeting in two years. Look at the smiles on our faces!

Our book this month was **Sooley** by John Grisham. Samuel Sooleyman is a teenage Sudanese basketball player who is offered a chance to play in the big leagues in the United States. While there he finds that his family has been caught up in the civil war in South Sudan. Grisham incorporates a great deal of basketball 'jargon' in the telling, and leaves us with sympathy for this young teenager and his problems.





12 Shutterbugs (905-878-5862; david.g.wentzell@gmail.com)

Shutterbugs is the Special Interest Group for you if you have any type of camera (yes, even your phone) and you enjoy taking photos of the people and places around you.

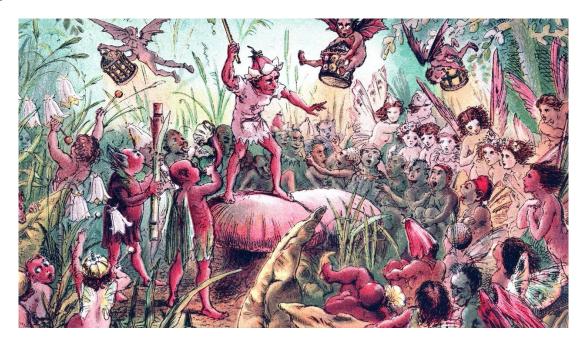
Activities include meeting in person for photo hikes and trips, comparing notes on new techniques and picture taking tips and Zoom gatherings to share our finished photographs while catching up on what's going on. For more information or to share photographs, please contact David Wentzell.

13 Clässical Crüe (905-878-5862; david.g.wentzell@gmail.com)

<u>Clässical Crüe – Midsummer Night's Dreaming</u>

This month we listened to a complete recording of the music the German composer Felix Mendelssohn wrote in 1843 (on commission by the King of Prussia) to go with a performance of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream". The music was so well received that it rapidly became a classical music staple. During the Nazi era, Mendelssohn's music presented a dilemma. His genetic background was mostly Jewish, but he and his whole family had converted to Christianity. However to the Nazis, the law (the Nuremberg laws dealing with everything Jewish) was the law; and Mendelssohn's music was banned from performance. To replace it in Shakespeare's play, over forty (acceptable) German composers were asked to compose an alternative; no attempt was successful enough to survive! The composer Richard Strauss (their greatest composer still in Germany) refused to try, saying something like "You can't replace perfection". Some of you may have been married to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March from this play. Click on the YouTube link below to listen to a very short clip plus a few words from the play (spoken by Judi Dench). https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dTXQWZx2buE&list=OLAK5uy_lr15IZnDVMS6C9e49AUhrvBQv10SXnZbg&index=14

If you would like to join us for our June meeting, contact either David Wentzell or Michael Hooker for program details and the Zoom link.



JOKES AND WISE WORDS OF THE MONTH

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





My Ode To Summer

The lazy days of Summer are like a big bear hug.

The sun comes out and the warmth is like a drug.

The sun rains down upon us like speckled gold dust from above.

The lazy days of Summertime brings all of us great joy and love.

The sunglasses are worn upon the eyes.

Some string bikinis are a big surprise.

I must surmise, the Summer beacons me.

Most of us like Summertime, can't you see.

The lazy days of Summer can make it very clear.

I say hooray for Summertime with a great big cheer.

Nichole Kaci McKnight

Management Committee: 2021/22

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Treasurer	Alice Carey	905-336-6309

Club Activity Schedule

Club	Date/Time	Convenor	Telephone	Email
Board Games – Jokers - Joker	1st Fri 1:30 pm	Linda Reid	905-878-7717	dlreid@sympatico.ca
Board Games – Jokers - Jester Joker	2nd Tues 1:30 pm	Peter Sneyd	905-693-1708	psneyd@sympatico.ca
Board Games – Jokers – Wee Joker	3rd Fri 1:30 pm	Brian Murphy	905-659-2288	brian_e_murphy@hotmail.com
Book Club - Spinecrackers	2nd Thurs 1:30 pm	Nancy Lynn	905-319-0191	lynn67.personal@gmail.com
Classical Music	$2^{nd}\ Wed2{:}00\ pm$	David Wentzell	905-878-5862	david.g.wentzell@gmail.com
Cards - Bid Euchre - Friday	2nd Fri. – 1:30 pm	Zina Yaworski	905-878-3959	joe_zina@hotmail.com
Cards - Bid Euchre - Wednesday	4th Wed 1:30 pm	Myra Faichnie	905-878-6615	billmyra@sympatico.ca
Cards - Bridge	4th Thurs 1:00 pm	Kathy Sellers	647-227-7036	kathleensellers@hotmail.com
Cards - Canasta	4th Fri 1:00 pm	Alice Carey	905-336-6309	carealic@sympatico.ca
Cards - Euchre	3rd Wed 7:30 pm			
Dining – Bits and Bites	3rd Thurs 5:00 pm	Marlene Murphy	905-659-2288	marlene_murphy@hotmail.com
Photography	3^{rd} Tues. $-2:00$ pm	David Wentzell	905-878-5862	david.g.wentzell@gmail.com
Probus Info Network - PIN Online only - no meetings		Bill Turnbull	905-878-9573	turnbullwt@yahoo.com
Tastings – Wine - Grape Expectations	s 4th Tues 7:00 pm	Alice Carey	905-336-6309	carealic@sympatico.ca
Travel – Event Coordinator		Walter Eadie	905-691-5100	walter.eadie@cogeco.ca
Walkers – The Walking Group	Every Mon 9:30 am	Terry Cole	905-845-0171	terryjane@sympatico.ca

June

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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		10:00 AM Milton Sports Centre Bill Scarrow		1:30 PM Jokers - Joker On-line Linda Reid
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9:30 AM The Walking Group E-mail notification Terry Cole	1:30 PM Jokers – Jester Joker In Person Peter Sneyd	2:00 PM Music - Clässical Crüe Via Zoom David Wentzell	1:30 PM Book Club - Spinecrackers Via Zoom Nancy Lynn	1:30 PM Bid Euchre - Friday On Line Zina Yaworski
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9:30 AM The Walking Group E-mail notification Terry Cole	2:00 PM Photography - Shutterbugs Via Zoom David Wentzell	2:00 PM Executive Meeting Bill Scarrow 7:30 PM Cards - Euchre on hold	5:00 PM Dining – <i>Bits and Bites</i> Marlene Murphy	1:30 PM Jokers – Wee Joker In Person Marlene Murphy
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