

BROCK-GEORGINA PROBUS NEWSLETTER

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President's Message:

Greetings and salutations! How lovely to be in the month of June. Summertime, and with that comes more time outside (without socks). Flowers and gardening and local produce at the farmer's markets or from our own gardens. Yard sales, kids outside on bicycles, cottages for some (and cottage traffic). Long evenings, the sparkle of water on lakes, ice cream and strawberries! Doesn't it feel like Winter is a long time ago? Mother Nature is kind that way; we tend to forget what it was like outside six months ago. Yes, the only shovels required in June are of the garden or beach variety.

What's going on with our Probus club? Some terrific social events, including our September anniversary. Seasonal interest groups have started - golfing, hiking/walking, bicycling - have I forgotten anyone? Is anyone interested in getting a water sport/club going - swimming, boating - we are only limited by our imaginations, and all it takes is a coordinator and some interested members. We are so fortunate to have Lake Simcoe on our doorstep. 'Tis the season!

Please consider joining our volunteer team — it is growing, and we do appreciate all those already involved in helping to make our meetings run for all to enjoy. There are spots for everyone, from involvement on the Management Team, to helping set up and take down chairs on our meeting mornings.

All the latest here - enjoy the read! This is your reminder of our meeting on Wednesday June 18 at 10am. I'll see you at the Hall.

Debra

Upcoming Speakers

Wed. June 18– "A Century of Famous Movies and Quotes" with Rob Smythe.

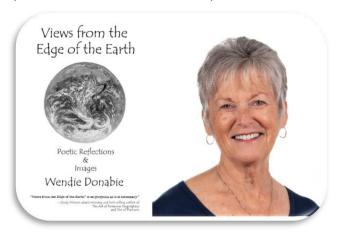
An entertaining, multimedia, audience participation presentation. Rob invites you to join him with a nostalgic, entertaining look at the most influential movies of the past century.



Wed. July 16- "Views from the Edge of the Earth" by Wendie Donabie

For several years, Wendie's concern for the state of our planet has both driven and inspired her

artwork. "Views from the Edge of the Earth" weaves poetic reflections with black-and-white images of her art and photography to celebrate the beauty of the natural world and remind us of what's at stake. The muted tones of the book's imagery enhance its message about habitat loss and species that are disappearing far too quickly. This presentation is perfect for those who love poetry, art, and nature—or anyone who cares about the future of our shared home. Wendie will have her book for sale at our meeting. Her short stories and poetry have been published in magazines and in poetry and literary



collections, and her short essay, Mother Earth, won gold in Art Ascent Magazine.

Current Interest Groups Update

TO SIGN UP FOR ALL INTEREST GROUPS:

- 1. Visit us in person at the Interest Groups Table during General Meetings or-
- 2. Email by clicking on this link: Interest Group Chair (interestgr.brockgeorginaprobus@gmail.com)

Typically, there is no charge to join an Interest Group (although some groups may have a fee to pay for the use of the venue). You must be a member in good standing of Brock-Georgina PROBUS Club to join an Interest Group. If you have an idea for a new group or want to join one of the existing groups, please contact us.

There is no limit to the types of Interest Group activities organized by members! All it takes is a coordinator, and a group of individuals who enjoy getting together to share lunch or dinner one day, then gather with others to play cards, games, ride a bike, hike, walk, discuss books on another. How about a round of golf or bird watching?

"Birdie Juice" (Golf)

Birdie Juice has over 20 members.

When: Mondays, once a month in the afternoon. The next game is on Monday June 16 at Cedarhurst

Golf Club.

Meets: Various local golf courses as suggested by members.

Coordinator: Don Dalzell

"The Page Turners" (Book Club)

When: Meets 4th Thurs. of each month at Beaverton Library.

Topic: We have enjoyed reading "The Lost and Found Bookshop" by Susan Wiggs, "Presumed Innocent" by Scott Turow and "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah. May's book was "Never Cry Wolf" by Farley Mowat.

June's read is "The Circle" by Katherena Vermette.

Coordinator: Janet Bedford



Meets: See you in the Winter! **When:** Wednesdays, 10AM **Where:** Coordinators will advise

Coordinators: Lillian Lahe and Judy Prophet

Cycling

When: Thursdays, once a month - First ride was Thurs. May 8

Coordinator: Karen Panfili

Dinner Club

When: July 9 (First Event)

Where: Jackson's Bistro in Jackson's Point (Sutton)

Coordinators: Nic Peterson and Don Wilson

If you have signed up you should have received an email and asked for confirmation of attendance. Anyone else interested in joining is welcome to sign up at the Interest Group table.

"Crafty Crafters" (Handicrafts)

When: 2nd Friday of Month at 10:15 to Noonish. Next Meeting is July 11.

Where: Beaverton Public Library Coordinator: Lynne Davidson

We had our first meeting (8 in attendance/14 registered to date) and discussed lots of great ideas for crafting! Our next meeting will feature the construction of knitted/crocheted Izzy Dolls for charity.



Hiking/Walking

When: meets 4th Tuesday of the month. Next hike is June 24.

Where: Various trails. Our first walk was at Bendor and Graves Tract of York Regional Forest on Apr.22, a

beautiful day.

Coordinators: Sheila Massey, Lil Madden, Karen Panfili

Latin Dance Lessons

When: Pending instructor availability

Where: TBA

Coordinator: Jennifer Watson

Lawn Bowling

When: Pending! Only 1 person has signed up. If anyone else is interested, come out on a Tues. or Thurs.

evening before 7pm to the Cannington Lawn Bowling Club and a member will assist you.

Where: 34 Peace Street, Cannington

Coordinator: Barb Moore

"Lunch Bunch"

When: After our general meetings Where: Belvedere in Pefferlaw

Coordinators: A show of hands at the General Meeting

"Kutie Cubes" (Rummikub board game)

This is a fun tile-based game, combining elements of the card game rummy and mahjong. Currently, there are 4 signed up.

When: Play the 4th Monday of the month

Meets: Rotate at members' homes

Coordinator: Gail Wright

"Smooth Moves" (Tai Chi)

When: Starting again soon

Where: Udora Hall

Coordinator: Susan Weatherston

"Laughing Matters" (Improv)

When: Monday June 16 or third Monday of each month from 1:30-3pm

Where: Aspira Douglas Crossing (6 Douglas Road, Uxbridge) in the Horseshoe Room across from the

Fitness Centre. Someone will be at the lobby to assist you with check in 15 minutes early.



Coordinator: The Uxbridge Probus Club has invited the Brock Georgina Probus Club to attend their "Laughing Matters" Improv Sessions. Improv is a great way to meet new people. It is all about thinking on your feet and learning that there is no right or wrong answers when you are having fun!

Coordinators NEEDED!!

Do you have an idea for a new interest group and want to be a coordinator? Bridge, euchre, board game, gardening, pickleball, pole walking, photography, theatre, explorers, dinner, movie night ... so many ideas and opportunities.

Let's Get Social -Events

TO SIGN UP FOR ALL SOCIAL EVENTS you must sign up to reserve your spot by one of two ways:

1. In person at the Social Events Table during General Meetings,

2. By emailing social2.brockgeorginaprobus@gmail.com

Next - you must pay either

a) by e-transfer to social2.brockgeorginaprobus@gmail.com or

b) by cheque payable to "Brock Georgina Probus Club" at a meeting,

NO CASH PLEASE - Cheques & E-Transfers Only!

You must be a member in good standing (or guest of a member) of Brock Georgina PROBUS to attend.

Recent Events:

Tuesday May 27 – 10am to 1 pm - Spring Flowers in the Carden Alvar

Members hiked to view spectacular spring flowers in the beautiful Carden Alvar, with renowned naturalist Bob Bowles.

Tuesday June 10 – 12pm - Old Flame Brewery Tour and Lunch, 135 Perry Street, Port Perry

Members toured the flagship location of the Old Flame Brewery located in a historical building that was originally built in 1874, and began as the Ontario Carriage Works.







Upcoming Events

Wed. July 23 – 10am -12pm – Come on Out and Car Rally

LOCATION: Leaving from Udora, have some fun on this scavenger hunt rally. Lunch will follow at a secret spot!

COST: \$10 per car

NOTES: SIGN UP BY JUNE 18! Prizes will be awarded in different categories. Every car needs a Mascot – a cuddly creature of your choice.

Currently there are 16 cars and 39 participants. If anyone would like to join with someone who is already signed up,

please contact Chris to find out if a seat is available. This event is for members of our Probus Club, however, non-members are also permitted in a car with a member.

See Chris for more details at our meeting or call 905-473-2342



Visit the Gravenhurst Farmers' Market and cruise on the Wenonah II. Enjoy a delightful High Tea served in the ship's Dining Salon while enjoying the beautiful scenery of Muskoka on a 1.5 hour cruise. Departing the Sutton Link (20849 Dalton Road) at 9:30 and the Independent Grocer on Highway 12 at 9:55.

COST: \$135

NOTE: SOLD OUT - WAIT LIST.

If you want to join us and provide your own transportation, you can book tickets by clicking on the link below. The cost for the cruise and High Tea is \$116.23.

<u>Steamship Tickets | Muskoka Steamships and Discovery Centre</u>

Wed. September 17 – 1st Anniversary Bash

Stay tuned for details on our 1st Anniversary bash, which will include a short AGM, followed by fun interactive games and an optional catered luncheon for \$20.





Other Brock-Georgina Probus News and Information

Do you have an idea for a catchy Newsletter name? Competition extended!! Submit your name at our June meeting. The winner will be selected by the Management Team and you will receive an arm's length of tickets from the Share the Wealth Draw at our July General Meeting.



Share the Wealth - At every General Meeting there is an optional "Share the Wealth" Draw – 1 ticket for \$2, 3 tickets for \$5, and arms length for \$10. Loonies, toonies, \$5's and \$10's are appreciated – no small coins please. The Draw is conducted at the end of the meeting, with half going to your Club to pay for refreshments and the other half split evenly between two lucky winners! Purchase your tickets before the meeting and during the coffee break.



Photo Release Notice – When you become a member of our Club you are giving consent to the Brock- Georgina Probus club to use your image, either alone or with others, on our web site, other social media and in our newsletter. If you would like to revoke this consent, please let us know.



Making Connections - Do you know a member who has been experiencing an illness and/or is hospitalized? Please reach out to our Membership Chair, Jeanette. Member respect and privacy will be first and foremost.



Help Needed for AGM Financials - We are looking for someone with a financial background (doesn't have to be an accountant) to do a review of our financials. Please let someone from the Management Team know if this is you!



New Member Ambassador – Have a question about our club and Probus? Reach out to Gail who will be at the Ambassador table at our meetings.



Bring a Book ... Take a Book! – Books should be current and in good condition. They should be the kind of books that you have enjoyed reading and would like to share with a friend. If you bring a book, please take another book home!



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Community News

Do you have an upcoming event in the area you would like to share! Let us know and we can include in our newsletter!

Here are a few you might be interested in

Tues. June 24, Royal Canadian Legion, Beaverton – 2025 Beaverton Seniors' Seminars – Doors open at 8:30 am and program begins at 9am. Guest speakers from Service Canada, Community Care Durham, Durham Police, Ontario Health at Home, Brock Community Health Centre and more. Exhibitor booths with helpful senior services. Call 705-324-6654 to reserve your spot. Space is limited.

- Thursday June 26 @7:30pm at St. Paul's Anglican Church, Beaverton Beaverton Garden Club Meeting with presentation on *Peonies Take the Spotlight* and Peony Workshop (fee for non-members).
- Monday June 30 @7:30pm at Cannington Baptist Church Cannington Horticultural Society meeting and Garden Knowledge Q&A with expert panel. Guests welcome!
- Wednesday July 1 Georgina Canada Day Celebration & Fireworks at the ROC and Georgina Village Museum (2pm to 10pm)
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- Wednesday July 1 Beaverton Lions Canada Day Celebration Including Fireworks (see poster).
- Friday July 4 Beaverton Lions 9-hole Golf Tournament at Western Trent Golf Course (email ralph.davidson@rogers.com for information).
- Monday July 14 @7:30pm at Pefferlaw Lions Hall – Georgina Brock Garden Club Meeting with Toni Ellis of Tree Trust on Preserving Mature Trees. Guests Welcome!



 Thursday July 18 @10am— Brock Arts and Culture presents "A Walk with a Talk Through Ephemeral Art, a Living Canvas" with Sarah Crowley. Beaverton Blossom Trail at the Beaverton Fairgrounds.

Meet new people, make new friends, discover new interests!

HOPE TO SEE YOU ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 18!

DON'T FORGET TO LUG A MUG!

BRING A GUEST! (Guests permitted maximum 2 times)

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!