



Beaver Valley Probus Club

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Current Activities

by Convener Joan Hammond

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Backroads Cycling
Birding
Book Club Chapter One
Book Club Chapter Two
Book Club Chapter Three
Book Club Chapter Four
Book Exchange
BVP Computer Group
Canoe / Kayak
Casual Dining
Chess
Cooking Together
Cue Sports
Digital Photography
Dining Around Town
Dining with Flair
Euchre
Gardening
Golf
Hiking

Marsh Street Painters
Nordic Pole Walking
Recreational Cycling
Scrabble
Singles Gourmet
Ski Legends
Snowshoeing
Stitch & Bitch
Support Group
Table Tennis
Travel Group
Wood Carving

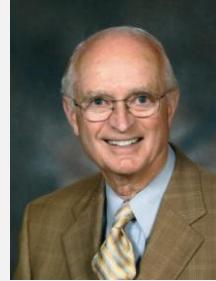
Activity groups are self sustained.
Participate – Volunteer
but above all - have fun and enjoy

"Please be advised that all events and activities of the Beaver Valley Probus Club are organized for the benefit and enjoyment of its Members. Individuals who participate do so at their own risk and are responsible for their own safety".

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President's Message



It is September and the Probus Experience is back in full swing with our monthly meeting on September 22nd. Now is a great time and opportunity to renew friendships after the summer, to socialize, hear community news and about coming events and to listen to a very interesting speaker. Probus is dedicated to enriching our lives by providing occasions for learning and friendship.

I urge you to GET CONNECTED AND STAY CONNECTED.

This "connectivity" is the driving force underlying a member's participation. If you would like to join an activity group you may do so at any time of the year by contacting an Activity group Coordinator. The groups, co-ordinators' names and contact information can be found on Pages 2 and 3 of your blue 2015-2016 members list. Space for additional participants is usually available. One does not have to wait until next March to join a group. Why not get started this fall?

I look forward to seeing you on September 22nd.

Howard Kitchen



YES YOU CAN!!..... WRITE AND SUBMIT AN ARTICLE OR PUT THE EDITOR IN TOUCH WITH A CONTRIBUTION THAT CAN GO IN THE GRAPEVINE. HE CANNOT CONTINUE WITHOUT YOUR HELP AS HE IS RUNNING OUT OF IDEAS AND HAS TO GO TO THE INTERNET TO FIND THINGS LIKE THIS CARTOON.

VOLUNTEERING

Have you considered volunteering, with or through an organization such as BVO or through one of the seven churches in our area. We as Probus members enjoy so much through activity groups and social network that we sometimes forget that there are many in this area who could need or would appreciate a helping hand or a kind word, this is not meant as a hard sell just a gentle reminder. *David*

Upcoming Club Events

Come and enjoy **Carousel**, a Rodgers & Hammerstein musical, at the **Avon Theatre in Stratford**
Wednesday Oct 7, 2015, 2:00pm.

Far ahead of its time in confronting the issues at the heart of a troubled relationship, this wrenching musical drama features a luscious score that includes "You'll Never Walk Alone", "If I Loved You" and "June is Bustin Out all Over". Ticket cost is \$114.00 which includes theatre, bus and lunch at Anna Mae's in Millbank.

A waiting list has been started. PAYMENT BY CHEQUE ONLY. Stella Zahradnik

Activity Group Update

TRAVEL: The members asked that the travel group restart and a survey was done. Portugal and its islands was the preferred destination. The May 8, 2016 trip has an exciting routing including Madeira Azores, several flights, many excursions and meals. It is very well priced. Portugal has been voted favourite destination by several researchers this year. We do need a deposit by mid Oct in order to proceed with blocking space.

For detailed information please contact *Peter Zahradnik or Gloria Thompson.*

SINGLES GOURMET The new season is starting Sunday, Sept 27th at 6pm. The hosts are Bev Jahn and Sheena Liikson. Our Sept theme is "apple dishes". Thanks to Mary Dillon, the new schedule for 2015-16 is in print. Mary is delivering to the west people and Gloria is doing the east group. You should know that red meat is not bad for you, fuzzy green meat is. *Gloria Thompson.*

DINING AROUND TOWN: An enjoyable buffet dinner and evening was held at the Falls Inn in Walters Falls Wednesday September 2nd. Our next venue will be on Wednesday October 7th at the Lively Olive Tasting Room and after dining at The Butchers Bistro in Collingwood. Please join us. If you have not signed up please do so by calling Barb Edwards or see us at the next Probus meeting. *Barb Edwards or Ann Parsons*

THE BOOK EXCHANGE will start up again at the September meeting. It will be set up on a table at the back of the room. Bring the "great reads" that you enjoyed this summer and pick up some new fall reading. Please remember that books should be current and in good condition. *Bring a Book – Take a Book.* *Nancy Hart*

RECREATIONAL CYCLING: On Tuesday, September 1, the Recreational Cycling group had their third extra ride farther afield for this season. The decision to ride the trail from Owen Sound to Shallow Lake, despite the forecast of hotter weather was successful as we had breezes and forested areas to pass through. We each brought our lunch to enjoy at Shallow Lake Veterans' Park. Terry Kellar gave us interesting information about the area from his days growing up there. He talked about the buildings we could see and their former uses. The service station, formerly owned by his brother, provided facilities since we had chosen a day when the restaurant and bar were closed. No one felt like tackling the big hill to get to the Community Centre. It was great to experience something new in this beautiful part of Georgian Bay. *For more pictures [Click Here](#)* *Janet, Elsbeth and Ingrid*



"Please remember to wear your name badge to all Probus events."



Looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting at the Beaver Valley Community Centre on Tuesday Sept 22nd starting with fellowship at 1.00-1.30pm

Something to ponder in our twilight years---sad but true

Ten Things That Will Disappear In Our Lifetime

Maybe not in the seniors of today's lifetimes, but more likely in our children's.

For an interesting and informative read [Click Here](#)

PICKLEBALL: The fastest growing sport, not only in North America but also worldwide. So what is Pickleball? The name itself tends to make one laugh, after all who would name a sport after a cucumber that has been in vinegar which one eats with a sandwich. Two stories; Joel Pritchard from Bainbridge Island off of the State of Washington USA, named after their dog or after the Pickleball boat, the last boat to return with its catch. It was probably the boat but the dog story is much more fun and humorous, even if the dog did come some two years after they were playing the game. Whatever the truth it is a lot of fun to play & to watch. The oohs and aahs from the spectators boost everyone's appreciation of the game. It is played on a 44' X 22' court which is divided by a net at a height of 34". The 'kitchen' is 7' on each side of the net. There are four 11' areas called courts, two on each side. The ball is plastic, about the size of a baseball, with holes in it. The paddles are similar to Ping Pong paddles, but larger. The ball is served underhand to the opponent at kitty corner. There is a two bounce rule, on the serve the ball bounces and is returned, it has to bounce once before it can be returned, with a slam, a dunk, spin or just a hit. The ball must clear the net on every play. A 'dink' is more commonly known as 'dinking' another word that lends itself to more humorous anecdotes. Points are scored only when it is your serve. Usually with four players the game is played to eleven points. Locally it is currently being played in Thornbury, Meaford, Feversham, Collingwood and other nearby towns. Thornbury has a web site <http://pickleballthornbury.weebly.com/> so come and check it out. Thornbury membership is full at the moment but you can come to watch & learn. It is a great game in which to get some exercise, have fun and meet new people and make some new friends, so keep on pickling.

Brian Brooks

The Master Gardener's Corner

Things to do in or for your garden in September.

from John Hethrington

Things to do in your garden each month taken from the Ontario Master Gardener Calendar by John Hethrington, Past President, Master Gardeners of Ontario. For more information, or your copy of the 11" x 17" calendar of the full year's tips for a \$1 contribution to Master Gardeners.

September 2015:

- Trim perennials and divide them as needed. Make sure it is a cool cloudy day.
- Fall is the ideal time to divide and plant Iris, Day Lilies and Peonies and many other perennials. Share extra plants with neighbors.
- Buy and plant spring flowering bulbs. You will be rewarded next spring. Add a little bone meal fertilizer or special bulb food to the bottom of the planting hole. Water well after planting to start root growth.
- Fill in any holes in your garden with new perennials and evergreens.
- Bring in house plants when the evenings start to cool down. First give them a thorough spray with insecticidal soap so that there are no unwanted hitchhikers coming into your home.
- With cool nights and fall rains, it's the ideal time for lawn repair. Dig out weeds, add clean topsoil and re-seed.
- Fertilize lawns with root building "Fall Fertilizer" with a low first number (nitrogen) and a high third number (potash).
- Don't use the lawn fertilizer you have left over from the spring, probably with a high first number (nitrogen). Save it for early next spring.
- Water shrubs, evergreens and trees deeply and weekly at least until frost.

Our Speaker for September

Our speaker for the September meeting is Duncan Rydall, Chief Fire Prevention Officer/Firefighter for The Town of the Blue Mountains.

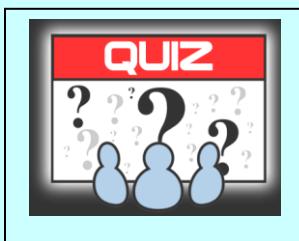


Duncan has 17 years of experience and qualifications in this field and has worked in a supervisory role for the past five years. He has a sound knowledge of Ontario Fire and Building codes, as well as a comprehensive understanding of fire safety and fire protection systems. He conducts fire safety site inspections on a wide range of complex occupancies.

As a Divisional Manager, he is responsible for public education, inspections, retrofit, and fire investigation. Fire code prosecution and mentoring the professional development of fire prevention staff. He is also a 1st responder firefighter trained in structural firefighting, motor vehicle extrication, water ice rescue, high angle rescue and emergency patient care.

Customer liaison and conflict resolution are also his responsibility.

We look forward to Duncan Rydall's presentation at our Sept. meeting.



The Quiz this month is a word game about signs and sayings

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Correct answers for the August quiz, were submitted

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Speaker for October, 2015

ROWLAND W. FLEMING

THE WEALTH AND INCOME GAP

"The rich get richer and the poor get poorer"

Rowland Fleming is a seasoned business executive with more than 30 years experience in the financial services industry. He has been involved in most aspects of international, corporate, commercial and retail banking. He has worked in Toronto, London, New York and across North America. He now is retired and lives in Creemore.

"The Wealth and Income Gap" is a socio economic challenge that will sooner or later affect us and our children and grandchildren in a variety of ways. It is a complex situation. This will be a thought provoking and stimulating presentation. We are very fortunate to have a speaker of this calibre and these credentials.

Support Group

Do you know of a member who needs encouragement to get through a difficult period?

Please do not hesitate to call Pam Muir who is the contact for September or any one of the Management team.

Next months contact is Carol Hethrington.

The Last Word

Submitted by Past President Catharine Pepper

Winter for reading and study:

Summer for loafing and dreaming and getting back to nature:

Spring and autumn for joyous and active production.

(Archibald Lampson, 1892)