From Your President

I can't believe that our club is rounding out our third full year. It has been a very successful year with great dinners, trips and outings. And it is not over yet. There is still more to come.

As we go forward next year we are still looking for volunteers for a couple of positions so please help us out and get involved.

Our annual BBQ is taking place Aug. 21 at Bob and Wendy’s so I look forward to seeing you all there.

We will have our regular August meeting before the fun begins.

Regards

Don Rowsell, President

Coming soon to a Probus near you...

Lake Country Probus Picnic August 21
Mystery Tour September 25
Geology Field Trip October 1
Dining at Silk’s October 9
‘Our Betters’ at the Shaw Festival Oct 22, 2013

“Fairest of the months!
Ripe summer’s queen
The hey-day of the year
With robes that gleam with sunny sheen
Sweet August doth appear.”
R. Combe Miller

July speaker, Sue Kenney, greets members.

Next Meeting: August 21

See page 2 for information regarding our club. Please find time to read this.
Executive Restructuring

The following revised organizational structure for our club will be presented at the September Annual General Meeting for your approval. If you have any questions, please talk to any committee member.

Your Executive committee has given the following proposals considerable thought and discussion, plus we have examined the organizational structures of over thirty other clubs.

This has come about because of our failure to secure volunteers to take on the roles of Outings Chair and Second Vice President. Also, after three years, we felt it was time to take stock of how we are doing. Our goal was to develop a structure that would encourage participation by making these particular roles less onerous.

(1) Delete the Position of Second Vice President.

Having a second vice president meant that the person taking that role needed to spend two years before becoming president. That made the role, in effect, a three year commitment.

(2) Delete the Position of Outings Chair

The role of Outings Chair appears to be a large commitment, so we have broken down those responsibilities into two positions:

A Day Tripping Chair will oversee volunteers organizing outings away from Orillia and immediate area.

A Local Activities Chair will oversee volunteers organizing local events and outings, usually those not requiring a bus.

The Committee is currently assembling a list of possible ideas and sites for both local activities and out of town trips. A number of these will be presented to the membership in order to recruit volunteers willing to run a single event.

(3) Add the Position of Speakers Chair

This person with her/his committee will arrange for speakers.

RENEW YOUR ANNUAL DUES NOW!

September is membership renewal time! Please bring your cheques for your membership dues to the September meeting, made payable to “Lake Country Probus”. Renewal dues are $25 each. If you will not be at the September meeting, please mail your cheque to David Mallinson at 8 Watson Court, Orillia, L3V 7S5.

If you are NOT renewing, please let David know.

Annual General Meeting Elections

The following have agreed to stand for office:

Nominations can also be made on the day of election or any time beforehand by calling Don Rowsell.

Executive Committee and Committee Chairs 2013/14

Executive Committee
Past President: Don Rowsell
President: Liz Stenson
Vice President: Lynne Boht
Secretary: 
Treasurer: Adde Walker

Committee Chairs
Membership: David Mallinson
Newsletter: Kelly Hampel
Social: Janice O’Brien
Day Tripping:
Local Activities:
Dining: Marilyn George
Speakers:
Wellness: Carol Ayerst
Photos/historians: Eric Carman, Dennis Crisp, Earl Lambert

Secretary Needed!

We still need a secretary to take minutes at monthly meetings of the executive and the membership.

This need not be a full time commitment, as we have two volunteers to fill in when needed.

BRING YOUR IDEAS!

At the next meeting we will be surveying the membership for ideas re trips, local activities and dining. Tell us what you want to do!
Dining Out

Outings

Annual Lake Country Probus Picnic
Aug. 21, Chez Bob Burt, who has again offered us his wonderful waterfront home, #2401, Big Chief Road. Time: 12 noon
Bring: membership pin, chair, drinks, cheque book, your ticket, plastic cup, hat, lotion....... No Skinny Dipping!
No Speedos!

October Dining Event
October 9th, is Silks at Horseshoe Valley Resort. At that time of year it should be a pretty drive to catch some fall color. Pricing & menu offerings will follow. Registration for this event will be done at the September meeting. Organizer: Marilyn George.

It’s a Mystery Tour

You will board your bus at 9 am and return home at approximately 9 pm. In between...who knows, except you will be heading to the mysterious north.

Date: No mystery, it is September 25.
Cost: $ 70:00

A mysterious route.
Frequent mysterious stops.
A mysterious evening meal.
Mysterious companions.

Transport: our own mystery bus with no washroom (but frequent stops along the way).
Bring your own lunch or purchase at one of the stops.

‘Our Betters’ at the Shaw Festival
Date: Oct 22, 2013
Details: 'Our Betters' is a play by W. Somerset Maugham.

Cost: $112.00 includes transportation by highway coach, buffet lunch at the Cannery Restaurant in the Pillar and Post Hotel and the theatre ticket. Coordinators: David and Sue Mallinson

NOTE: There are 8 tickets left. Tickets will be sold at the barbeque; bring your chequebook!

GEOLOGY FIELD TRIP
Tuesday, October 1
9 -12 am

$8.00 includes bus transporton to the sites and gratuity. Please pay by cheque.
You can register at the barbeque with Liz or at the September meeting.
Questions?  Liz @ 705 329 0130 or lstenson@rogers.com

“In a restaurant choose a table near a waiter.”
- Jewish Proverb
An older gentleman was on the operating table awaiting surgery and he insisted that his son, a renowned surgeon, perform the operation. As he was about to get the anesthesia, he asked to speak to his son. “Yes Dad, what is it?” “Don’t be nervous, son. Do your best and remember, if it doesn’t go well, if I don’t make it, your mother is going to come and live with you and your wife.”

What Newfies Do with Old Rubberboots?

How’s this for a good example of creativity???
Our 2nd Annual
Summer Photo Contest

at our October meeting.

The operative word is summer...no winter scenes, autumn leaves or spring daffodils! Show us your summer, wherever it was.

Three Categories; People, Scenery, Nature (e.g. animals, birds, flowers)

Photos up to 6 x 8.

Also be prepared to send a jpg copy (preferably a medium res) to Liz Stenson (lstenson@rogers.com) any time you have one ready.

Liz will prepare a slide show so that we all can get a good look at the entries.

It is NOT necessary to do this to enter.

LAKE COUNTRY PROBUS
“APPY EVENINGS”

What are “APPY EVENINGS “?

Socialize and get to know more of your fellow members in a more intimate setting.

Any member may volunteer to host an event at their home.

The first and third Friday of the month; 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Host determines how many guests they can accommodate. First come first served basis.

You must sign the sheet (displayed at meeting) or contact the host.

Guests are asked to bring an appetizer and a bottle of wine (or another beverage).

The host may or may not serve tea and coffee.

Contact: Janice O’Brien, Social Committee
mjlb.obrien@sympatico.ca OR 705.835.0533

Here are the contacts for the next 2 APPY EVENINGS. Please call the HOST directly to sign up.

Friday, August 23   Hosts: Bernie & Ken Smith
705-325-7226

Friday, September 6   Hosts: Nancy & Dave Lovell
705-689-8808

Speakers’ Corner

Sept. 16: Andreas Gada: astronomy
Oct. 21: Glad Bryce: women in the RCAF
Nov.18: Sherry Lawson: local history

She was only a whisky-maker, but he loved her still.

Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
Dining at the Lake Country Grill
The Bulletin Board

This bulletin board is a venue for you to share your non-Probus activities. Submissions might include advertisements for a function or a personal item. Please send to Liz Stenson at least two weeks before the next meeting. lstenson@rogers.com

Your Caring Committee sends greeting cards to members who are ill or have suffered a loss. Contact the Caring Committee if you are aware of any member who needs this service. Carol Ayerst heads up The Caring Committee: 705-326-9936 cjayerst@hotmail.com

Mariposa Arts Theatre

We know many of you already attend the Mariposa Arts Theatre; for the rest, here is info about a great opportunity to see quality films.

Meeting Dates for 2013
September 16  
October 21  
November 18  
December 16 (followed by Christmas lunch)

There is an exciting lineup of films for the fall. As in previous years, all screenings are at the Galaxy Theatre: Matinee  4-6PM  Evening  7-9PM

Individual prices have been held at $10 per person.

In response to concerns, they have initiated a new concept to replace the Season Tickets. Now you will be able to purchase a 6-PAK for the price of $50 ($10 less than purchasing individual tickets). These may be used for admittance to ANY film Night screening on ANY of the dates. The 6-PAKS will be on sale at the first Film Night on September 4.

The ONLY place to purchase tickets this season will be at the Galaxy Theatre, beginning at 3PM on the day of each Film Night screening.

For more information about films and other MAT activities go to their website. www.mariposaartstheatre.com

Upcoming films for the fall:

Wed Sept 4  KON TIKI    (in English) 119 minutes
_Nominated for Best Foreign Language Film at the 85th Academy Awards, Kon-Tiki is an epic retelling of Thor Heyerdahl’s 1947 expedition across the Pacific Ocean. With stunning cinematography of the ocean and all that the expedition encounters within it, Kon-Tiki is an awe-inspiring film of impressive scale that begs to be seen on the big screen._

Wed Sept 18  Before Midnight  108 minutes
Wed Oct 2    TBA
Wed Oct 24   The Hunt  (Danish with English subtitles) 111 minutes
Wed Nov 6    Good Ol’ Freda  86 minutes