From Your President

As we enter November let us all take time to remember all those who have served our country in all capacities. November is the time many start to head to elsewhere and we wish them a good winter. For us who remain there are many functions for us to partake in to keep us busy and having fun.

Regards,
Russ Cousins, President

Speakers’ Corner

Our November speaker is Dee Cox. She is the chair of the Hospice Orillia Board.

December: Author Marc Stevens

January: Fred Addis, Curator, Leacock Museum

October speaker, author Treasa O’Driscoll.

Coming soon to a Probus near you...
Annual Christmas Luncheon
December 19

A Pub Event

A Sleigh Ride

Next Meeting: Nov 21, 10:00 am.
Don’t forget...
• your cheque book
• your daytimer
• your membership pin

The Canadian Legion has requested that our members bring a non-perishable food item to our meeting on November 21 to help with their holiday season food bank drive. Your donations will be very much appreciated.
Outings

Your Outings Committee has really been hard at work and lots of plans are underway; watch for these outings and mark the dates. Further details coming soon.

February 24

PUB LUNCHEON and entertainment! in the Vimy Room at the Legion.

March 8

SLEIGH RIDE and Lunch in the Horseshoe Valley

Dining Out:

The Christmas Luncheon is to follow the regular meeting on Monday, December 19th at 12:30 p.m. at the Legion. The fare will be sandwiches and salads similar to the barbeque last August. There will be an open bar from noon on through the luncheon. Tickets are $10.00 per person and will be available at the November meeting during the social time. Cheques are the preferred method of payment.

Dining in the Dark

The date for Dining in the Dark has been confirmed for Thursday, May 24th, 2012. Please put this in your 2012 calendars. Money will be collected in March of next year.

Thai One On!

In October, a few members found themselves at Thai Plate, a new Thai restaurant on Memorial Dr. There is a good deal at lunch time and the mango salad is to be savoured and celebrated! Let’s see if we can get a group together for Nov 21! Plan to go and we’ll just get together after the meeting.

Note: if you have never experienced Thai food, it is not all spicy and hot. Thai is a fusion of Chinese, Japanese, Indian and Indonesian cuisines.

and speaking of men at work...
coming soon...
men’s cookie month!

Pad Thai is a favourite dish.
Chinese numerology and Feng Shui for 2011
This year we are going to experience four unusual dates: 1/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/1/11, 11/11/11, and that’s not all; take the last two digits of the year you were born and the age you will be this year and the result will add up to 111 for everyone!!!!

This is the year of MONEY. Also, this year, October will have 5 Sundays, 5 Mondays & 5 Saturdays. This happens only once every 823 years. These particular years are known as Moneybag years.

50/50 Draw
The monthly 50/50 draw is held to raise funds to pay for our ‘free’ coffee and tea. In the future, there will be two monthly winners!

When you drink Vodka over ice, it can give you kidney failure,
When you drink Rum over ice, it can give you liver failure,
When you drink Scotch over ice, it can give you heart problems,
When you drink Gin over ice, it can give you brain problems.
Apparently, ice is really bad for you.

Enjoying the goodies at our last meeting.....

..a must watch
Some great video this month:
just click on the brown links.

A Murmuration of Starlings
This footage really is a must watch! Truly one of nature’s greatest and most fleeting phenomena!

http://vimeo.com/31158841

Cats.....and more. There are actually three clips here; don’t miss the last one!

http://www.ctv.ca/canadaAMPlayer/index.html?video=569090

Note: the editor is not responsible for the level of humour in this publication; she is driven by a relentless inner demon.

Women’s ass size study: There is a new study about women and how they feel about their asses, the results were pretty interesting. 30% of women think their ass is too fat, 10% of women think their ass is too skinny, the remaining 60% say they don’t care, they love him, he is a good man, and wouldn’t trade him for the world.
On listening to the ‘oldies’

No, I am not talking about tuning in to a gathering of octogenarians. I am talking about the music of my youth, and that of the rest of most of you.

One of the best apps for my smart phone is called Home Radio. It lets me stream live radio from all around the world. I have access to literally hundreds of stations. I can listen to the BBC direct from London, or to stations from Algeria to Zimbabwe.

I especially like to listen to the music of my day, the fifties and sixties...yes, the oldies! I can hum or sing along, evoke pleasant memories and other kinds. I mean, no one gets through his/her youth without some anguish.

Remember how great that music was? Cliff Richard, Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison, The Beatles, Engelbert, The Beach Boys, Joan Baez, The Platters, Nat King Cole...the list goes on and on. We lived in a time of musical richness. We were musically blessed.

So, I decided that it was time listen to some oldies. I found a new oldies station somewhere south of the Mason-Dixon. I tuned in. And here is what I heard: Prince, Michael Jackson, U2, The Police, Cyndi Lauper...WHAT????? Oldies????? Whom are they kidding?

Yup, you got it....the oldies today are the music of the seventies, the eighties, even the nineties. Whoops! Looks like I missed a few decades. Need a little Do Wap!

Bits of Sixties Music Trivia

Only 4 artists hit the singles chart every year of the decade: Cliff Richard, Elvis Presley, Roy Orbison and Jim Reeves

The only artist to achieve a top ten singles hit in every year was Cliff Richard

In a contest held by a Merseyside newspaper to see who was the biggest band in Liverpool, 1962, one of the main reasons that The Beatles won was because they called in posing as different people voting for themselves.

The No.1 record on the very last EP chart was ‘Beach Boy Hits’

Joan Baez had more EP chart weeks than any other solo female artist

The best position reached by any of Johnny Mathis’ four EP chart entries was No. 17

Phil Collins, who was a child star in England in the 1960’s, appears VERY briefly in the final concert sequence of the Beatles’ film ‘A Hard Day’s Night’

The highest total of weeks on the singles chart for any act in one year was achieved by Engelbert Humperdinck in 1967.

Frank Sinatra’s ‘My Way’ single notched up a total of 122 weeks on chart, entering or returning no less than nine times!

Who Sang These Oldies?

Wake Up Little Susie
Peggy Sue
Young Love
Walking To New Orleans
Puppy Love
Please Mr Sun
Venus
Tijuana Jail
Lipstick On Your Collar
Surfer Girl
This 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

Create a Luxurious Scarf
Many of those of you who attended Artisans' Faire may remember Louise Gervais' wonderful silk and wool scarves. Now you have the opportunity to make one of your own, plus a bag, at a two-day felting workshop.  
Jan 17 and 19  10 am. to 3 pm. 
Orillia Location  Cost: $120 plus $25 materials cost.

For more information contact Louise at 705-835-3774 or louise@foxmead.ca or Liz Stenson at 705-329-0130, lstenson@rogers.com. We will send you a course outline. Requires a fair bit of standing.

Barbara Crisp heads up The Caring Committee: 705-259-1882.

Your Caring Committee sends greeting cards on your behalf to members of the Lake Country Probus Club who are ill or have suffered a loss. Please contact the Caring Committee if you are aware of any member who needs this service.

Note - if you chose to notify us by email please add under “Subject” - Probus Club, ensuring it will not be deleted. A get well card was sent to Janice O’Brien. We hope Janice is feeling better now.

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