

PROBUS



HI-LITES

THE PROBUS CLUB OF BURLINGTON LAKESHORE
556 Limerick Road, Burlington, ON, L7L 2K6

**Our Next Meeting is
Monday, November 12th, 2012, at 10 a.m.
Annual General Meeting**

**Our Guest Speaker will be
Sgt. Gary Gold and Gary McLean**

“Crime Stoppers”

President’s Message

Mike Hoshooley

This is my last message as your President. It has been a great pleasure to hold this office for the past year and I want to thank everyone who helped it pass smoothly. We have had an interesting year, with great speakers and social events and a fine Christmas luncheon last December. Many members have approached me and commented on the quality of the speakers, which is entirely due to the team of Hal Kemp, David Page and John Marshall. Guido Steinnagel kept those great social events rolling. Successful golf tournaments were organized by Bob Miller, Paul Crittenden, Frank Buchanan and others; Dave McKenzie and his team ran an exciting curling bonspiel and the addition of a hiking club guided by Jim Thurston has been a wonderful addition to our slate of activities. Of course the able assistance of Don Spearin, Mike Binder, Ron Rodwell and Bill Crow and Bob Miller kept us on the rails, so to speak, as things ran so smoothly I really never needed to be there. My apologies to anyone that I’ve missed!!

One thing I regret is that our membership has stalled as we haven’t been able to grow as much as I thought was necessary. Please help us progress by bringing a friend or associate to the next general meeting. Even though it is also our AGM when a new team takes over, they would be welcomed! And your name goes into the hat for free Christmas luncheon tickets for each time you bring a guest. I think there only 6 names in the hat now so the odds of winning are very good; but let’s get at least 20 names in the hat for the next meeting!

November’s Guest Speakers – Sgt. Gary Gold and Gary McLean



The mission of Crime Stoppers is to help solve and deter crime by providing a means of reporting criminal activity with guaranteed anonymity through cooperation with the police, media and the Halton community.

Sgt. Gary Gold, Halton Regional Police, and Gary McLean, Board Chairman, will tell us about its history, program, and achievements to provide a safer community for all our residents.



Membership

Mike McInnis

As of this writing, the club's active membership totals 169. This includes **Dave Sneath**, who was introduced at the October meeting, and **Bob Hilton**, who will be introduced at the November 12 meeting.

Membership renewals - We will again have a table at the November meeting for the convenience of club members to renew their memberships for 2013. After that, you will have to send your renewal cheques to **Mike Binder** by mail. Why not save the cost of postage and a cheque by paying our treasurer in cash at the November 12 meeting?

Mike Binder's address is 516 Amanda Cres., Burlington, L7L 6H5 for those who prefer snail mail.

The time is now approaching when we will be updating our records for the 2013 member roster. If you have changed your name, telephone number, e-Mail handle, address, or partner, let us know about it. Please advise **Don Spearin** or **Mike McInnis** (mcinnis1@bell.net) of any changes.

The "Bring a Guest to Probus" program ends with the November 12th meeting. Don't miss out on this chance to win a free pass to the December Christmas Luncheon by bringing a guest to Probus this month.

Activities and Special Events

Curling Bonspiel

Dave McKenzie

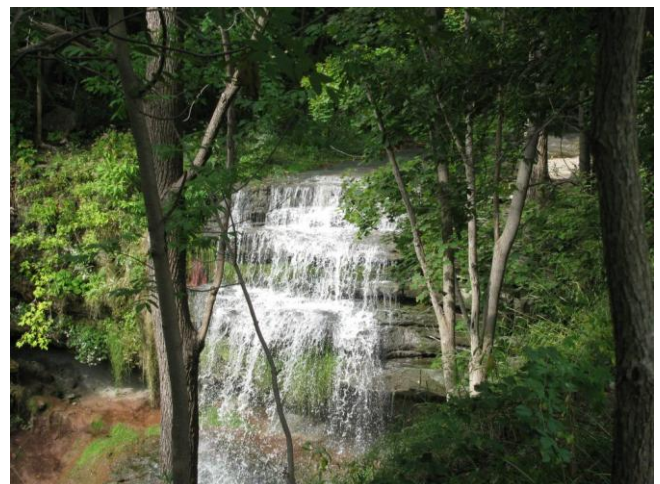
Many of us have now put away the golf clubs and dusted off the curling shoes and brooms and are well into another season of fun on the ice. Our annual inter-club bonspiel is scheduled for Friday, February 1, 2013. Once again, we will do our best to relieve the other Probus Club of the Grummett Trophy and bring it back to the Lakeshore Probus Club where it belongs. The entry fee will be the same as last year - \$40 for coffee, curling, lunch and prizes. Please look for me at our November meeting to add your name to the list of curlers. Fees are due on or before the January meeting.



Hiking Club

Jim Thurston

The hiking club completed the section from the McNally Side Trail over to Snake Road in October. This section was quite up and down as we went back into the Grindstone Creek ravine and then climbed our way back out. We followed the creek most of the way, but we saw few waterfalls like we saw in September and depicted in the photo. A good time was had by all and we look forward to completing the section from Snake Road over to Highway 6 on **Thursday November 15th** starting at **9:30 am**. A Pub lunch will follow for those with the time and money.



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Hiking Club (Continued)

Directions to the Parking area are as follows;

Drive to Waterdown and turn south on Main Street, turn left over the railway bridge onto Snake Road. Continue to where the Bruce Trail crosses Snake Road. Parking is on both sides of the road. Total distance once you turn onto Main Street is 2.1 km. This is the same spot as last month. Everyone is welcome so feel free to join this or any hike.

Annual General Meeting – November 12

The formal business of our club will be conducted as part of the November 12th meeting. Included with this newsletter are minutes of the last Annual General Meeting as well as Financial Statements for the year that has just ended. Please take a few minutes to review these documents and come prepared to approve their adoption with your vote.

Christmas Luncheon

Christmas Luncheon Monday Dec 10th, 11:30am @ Geraldo's in LaSalle Park. There are lots of tickets still available - only 81 have signed up to date. The menu is Butternut Squash/Apple Soup, Caesar Salad, Roast Pork Loin with Cider Sauce with Seasoned Potatoes and Fresh Veggies, and Vanilla Ice Cream Crepes with sauce for desert. Tickets are \$25 per person and wine served at table is included. There will also be a cash bar available. We will be entertained by Peter Shaw, a troubadour style musician, singer and storyteller.

Tickets will be available at November 12th meeting. If you cannot attend, order your tickets from Mike Hoshoooley via email (r.m.h@sympatico.ca) and send a cheque via regular mail to 784 King Road, Burlington L7T 3K6 before November 25th, along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope and tickets will be forwarded.

In Memoriam: Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of our good friend, Mike Brock, who passed away on October 20.

Cheer Committee

Ron Rodwell is the coordinator of the “**Cheer Committee**” function. Members are asked to advise Ron when they learn about serious illness and/or hospitalization of fellow members or their spouses. In turn, Ron will follow up on developments; keep the management committee informed and send “well wishing” or “sympathy” cards on behalf of the Club, as appropriate.

You can reach Ron at 905-681-2366 or by email at srodwell@cogico.ca.

**Next month – Our Christmas Lunch at Geraldo's on December 10th
The next regular monthly meeting – January 14th, 2013**

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Held on Monday, October 3, 2011 at Burlington Arts Center
THE PROBUS CLUB OF BURLINGTON LAKESHORE
Roseland Plaza, P. O. Box 91503, Burlington, Ontario, L7L 2L6

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mike Wain, Past President, called the meeting to order at 11:15 a. m. and served as Chair. He welcomed all PROBUS members who were present. He called upon the Secretary to review the Minutes of the last AGM.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Bob Miller referred to the Minutes of the AGM held Oct. 4, 2010 which had been printed in the last issue of the Hi - Lites newsletter and offered copies for any member who wished to have them. After a brief review, he then moved that those Minutes be accepted and placed in the Minutes Book.

Seconded by Dave McKenzie, the motion was carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Mike Binder noted that the Club's Financial Statement had also been printed in Hi -Lites. He had transparencies of the current year actuals and next year's budget.

Current Year Oct. 1, 2010 – Sept. 30, 2011:

Total revenues were 2.8 % favourable to budget due to more memberships. Total Expenses were very favourable because of arrears for meeting hall rental, and speakers' remuneration less than plan. We had \$1,335 Net Income vs. a budgeted \$390 Net Loss. The cash in bank was \$8,718 approximately the same as the previous year, and the accumulated surplus is now \$7,618, a healthy financial position. Mike noted that the audited statements and the Auditor's Report will be made available within the week and will be published in the next issue of Hi - Lites newsletter. Mike Binder made a motion that the 2010 / 2011 Financial statements be accepted.

Seconded by Bill Crow, the motion was carried.

Budget Year Oct. 1, 2011 – Sept. 30, 2012:

The Total Revenues are budgeted at \$ 8,315 about the same as this year. Expenses will be up because of making up the arrears on the hall rental and also a 6% increase on the rent in the new annual contract. We also expect higher costs on the Christmas event and the speakers' remunerations. The annual budget forecasts a Net Loss of \$433. Mike Binder made a motion that the 2011 / 2012 Budget be accepted.

Seconded by David Page, the motion was carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Jim Thurston expressed his thanks to the Club for the wonderful opportunity to serve the membership, while easing his way into retirement. He has learned a great deal while continuing to do the management functions that he was doing throughout his career.

Jim thanked the members of Management Committee for their individual accomplishments throughout the past year and reported that it was an outstanding year for the Club. Also, he offered special thanks to the ticket sellers and greeters, Ken Gibson, Ian McLean, Ed Shaw, and William O'Laughlin.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Past President Mike Wain reported for the Nominating Committee which consists of the current Club President, Vice President and Past President.

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Club, the opportunity for general members to volunteer or make nominations for Management Committee positions has been communicated at monthly meetings and via the Hi-Lites newsletter.

Mike expressed his gratitude to all the members of Management Committee who are staying on, but also his disappointment that no one new has come forward to offer to serve. We are in need of at least two new people to learn some of the positions so that others can advance.

Mike called upon the Management Committee to take the floor in witness of Mike Hoshoooley taking the Oath of Office as our Club President for 2011-12. Jim Thurston also presented the Club's Bylaw booklet to Mike.

The Nominating Committee is pleased to recommend the following as the Club's five Executive Officers for 2011-12:

President: Mike Hoshoooley Past President: Jim Thurston

1st Vice President: Hal Kemp Secretary: Bob Miller

Treasurer: Mike Binder

Mike Wain made a motion for approval which was seconded by Ian McLean and carried unanimously by the membership's show of hands.

NEW PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Mike Hoshoooley declared his pledge to do his best to serve the Club as well during his tenure as it has been served by the past Presidents. He is looking forward to the next year, and urged all to enjoy their membership and to participate in the meetings and events.

Mike then called upon Jim Thurston to thank him for his service and to present him with the traditional PROBUS dedicated service plaque and the Past President's pin.

There being no further business, the 2011 AGM was adjourned.

Bob Miller, Secretary, October, 2011

PROBUS CLUB of BURLINGTON LAKESHORE
BALANCE SHEET
as at September 30, 2012

	2011	2012
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 8,719	\$ 8,029
Prepays	250	250
	<u>\$ 8,969</u>	<u>\$ 8,279</u>
LIABILITIES		
Deferred Income – Dues	\$ 1,350	\$ 1,260
Accounts payable	-	2,021
	<u>\$ 1,350</u>	<u>\$ 3,281</u>
NET ASSETS		
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 6,282	\$ 7,618
Excess of Revenue (Deficit) over expenditures	1,336	(2,620)
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 7,618</u>	<u>\$ 4,998</u>
	<u>\$ 8,968</u>	<u>\$ 8,279</u>

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
For The Year Ended September 30, 2012

	2011	2012	FORECAST 2013
REVENUE			
Membership Fees- Annual	\$ 5,110	\$ 5,100	\$ 5,190
Membership Fees- Initiation	350	300	300
Membership Fees- Discounted	160	70	-
Meeting Collections	1,808	1,716	1,900
50/50 Draw	745	665	750
Bank Interest	57	105	41
Other Events- Net	57	112	-
	<u>\$ 8,287</u>	<u>\$ 8,068</u>	<u>\$ 8,181</u>
EXPENSES			
Administration	\$ 330	\$ 365	\$ 400
Christmas Function	2,112	3,411	3,025
House Committee	1,704	1,734	1,870
Meeting hall rental	1,438	2,797	2,470
Membership	92	112	500
Membership marketing	-	59	-
Newsletter	-	420	200
Probus Centre fee	425	390	450
Speakers	850	1,400	1,500
20th Anniversary Celebration	-	-	1,000
	<u>\$ 6,951</u>	<u>\$ 10,688</u>	<u>\$ 11,415</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 1,336</u>	<u>\$ (2,620)</u>	<u>\$ (3,234)</u>