



Probud Club of Burlington Lakeshore

Hi-Lites – May 2013

May Meeting
Monday, May 13
10:00 am

Guest Speaker

Beth Kümmling
“The Bruce Trail
Conservancy:
Celebrating 50 years
of Conservation”

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President’s Message

Although summer has not yet begun, planning for the 2013 Christmas function must begin now. I know many of you have your own personal preferences for the type of function you would like to attend, not all of which are the same. To help us with the planning for this year’s function, each of you received an e-mail blast with a questionnaire soliciting your thoughts for this year’s function. Please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire and return it to our vice-president, Jack White.

Three weeks ago, I joined the group of Burlington Probudians attending the Computer Interest Group meeting. In all, there were 26 attendees, of which about one-third, I was pleased to see, were members of our own Burlington Lakeshore Probud Club. Bob Lalonde, the computer professional who runs the meetings, took time to respond to questions that had been sent to him prior to the meeting. Some of the subjects included malware protection; virus protection; Internet Explorer vs. Mozilla Firefox, Chrome, etc.; web mail; routers and Cloud. Any apprehensions I had about embarrassing myself, were quickly dispelled. The meeting was friendly and informal, with explanations given to not only the questions e-mailed to Bob prior to the meeting, but also those that arose during the meeting. The two hours went by too quickly. Next meeting is May 9th and all of our members are welcome. Whether you are a computer neophyte or an experienced user, you can learn interesting stuff at these meetings.

I’ve been the beneficiary of many one-on-one conversations with club members over the years. One common element to these conversations has always piqued my interest. Each of the members with whom I chatted, seemed to have very interesting, even fascinating, stories to share about their lives. The personal accomplishments that some of our members have achieved on their journey through life have been compelling. So with that in mind, I chatted to speaker chairman Dick Hames about allotting time in our monthly meetings for members to share some of their life’s experiences. The idea seemed to be of interest to several others with whom we chatted. So we’ve agreed that two members’ presentations of 5 minutes in length, at each meeting would be appropriate. Perhaps to put a morbid perspective on it – this would give you a chance to tell the folks what it is you’re proud of and what it is you would like them to remember about you should you croak next month. So, please don’t be bashful. Ask Dick to put your name on the list of those who would like to share some of those interesting stories.

Hal Kemp

President's Brain Teaser

Farmer Brown, a widower was a successful farmer but died unexpectedly at age 51. Fortunately, he had his affairs in order and had written a will. In it, he left his entire estate to his three sons, leaving 1/2 of his estate to Jake, who at 23 years of age was the eldest; 1/3rd to Billy Bob, the second eldest at 16 years of age; and to Little Jimmy, the youngest at 9 years of age, he left 1/9th. Everything was going well with the division of the estate until they came to the cattle. Farmer Brown had 17 head of prime Holsteins. The issue became: how do you divide the 17 cows, as their father had requested, without killing any of them?

Answer elsewhere in the publication.

Guest Speaker for May



Beth Kümmling, Executive Director of The Bruce Trail Conservancy, will showcase the history and work of the Bruce Trail Conservancy against a backdrop of images of the Niagara Escarpment. Participants will learn about the origins of the BTC as a conservation

organization, its role in Escarpment land protection, and be treated to a virtual hike of the Bruce Trail from Niagara to Tobermory.

Are you our next guest speaker?

You are an interesting individual with a fascinating story to tell! Perhaps you would like to share your story with the rest your fellow members at some future meeting. If interested, please make yourself known to Dick Hames, your Speakers Coordinator.

Membership News

Our club roster now stands at a total of 165 active members. New members to be introduced at the May 13 meeting include Gord Hall, Bob Skene, and Ken Waters. Thanks to Dave McKenzie, we have now added our membership application form to the Burlington Lakeshore Probus Club website. Hard copies of the application form will continue to be available at every meeting.

Mike McInnis

New Members – Meet Malcolm Ramsay

Malcolm was introduced to the club membership at our April meeting. Originally from the UK, he moved to Canada in the late 1960's and pursued a variety of marketing positions in the retail oil business with Texaco and Imperial Oil. This experience led him into real estate development with several major retail operators until he concluded his career with a consulting practise on the same focus. For the last 18 years he has also served on the Committee of Adjustment for the City of Burlington and as its chairman for the last 4 years.



Malcolm and wife Paula have two grown children and four grandchildren in the Burlington/Hamilton area. They somehow find time to also enjoy singing with three different choirs plus a bit of golf and curling.

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Special Events

Guys & Dolls – May 10



The Shaw Festival Theatre,
Niagara-on-the-Lake (2:00 pm)

Reservations for 20 people have
been made for lunch at the
Niagara on the Lake Golf Club,
located at Front and Simcoe

Streets.

For those who have signed up for lunch, please
plan to be there at 11:30 am.

S.S. Keewatin – June 26

We will leave Burlington by
coach, enjoy a buffet lunch at
Marina's in Port McNicholl,
followed by a tour of the S.S.
Keewatin.

The price of \$65.00 per person
includes the bus, lunch
(including taxes and gratuities)
plus the Keewatin tour.

Please bring a cheque to the May meeting.



Port Dover Lighthouse Theatre – July 17



Forty-three tickets have been
reserved for:

"First Name Basis", a comedy
by Norm Foster. The date /
time for this event is
Wednesday, July 17th at 2:00
pm.

Other Events

Other events in various stages of planning include:

- Fiddler on The Roof (September 12)
- Mohawk Racetrack – Campbellville
- Toronto Blue Jays game
- Tour of the Toyota plant in Cambridge

Watch for further updates in Hi-Lites or visit the
website Calendar page for up-to-date information.

As always, we are happy to help with your
questions.

Guido Steinnagel and Frank Buchannan

Activities

President's Cup Golf Tournament

18 Holes of golf plus a cart
Best Ball Event
Delicious Lunch
Closest to the pin
Longest Drive
Draw Prizes

Thursday, May 23, 2013
8:00 a.m. Shotgun Tee Time

Flamborough Hills Golf & Country Club
\$78 / person

Guests Welcome (not eligible for prizes)
Last Day to sign up – May 17, 2013
Cheque or Cash
No Refunds after May 13
Reserve for Golf now by email or phone
Ed Kearns (905) 689-9997
eskts@cogeco.ca

Hiking Club



Last month we had a nice hike through the streets and waterfront of Bronte. The leader of the other club fell and injured his

leg and was unable to lead us.

Our next hike will be on the 7th of May on the Bruce Trail going west from #6 Highway. Park at the base of the escarpment on Patterson Road. The next hike with the other club will be on Tuesday the 14th of May. Meet at 9:00 am in Lowville Park to hike some of the trails there. **Note the 14th not the 21st.** Our next hike will follow up on the Bruce Trail on June 4 starting at 9:30 am.

Computer Interest Group

The Probus Club of Burlington has invited our members to join their **Computer Interest Group**.



The next session will be on Thursday, May 9, 2013 at 10:00 am. The 2-hour sessions take place in the basement of the Appleby Place Retirement Residence located just north of

New Street on Appleby Line. You may park either in Appleby Mall or in the little strip mall just south of the residence.

The all inclusive attendance fee is \$5.00. If you plan to attend, please send a confirmation email to: Ward Minielly at wminielly@cogeco.ca. Ward would appreciate a response by May 3.

The Agenda will consist of responses to questions that have been sent to Robert Lalonde by members of the group. If you have an issue or problem that you wish him to address, send him an email and he will try to incorporate it into the session. His address is: robert.lalonde@my-pc-consultant.com

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.

Answer to the President’s Brain Teaser:

The boys couldn’t come up with a solution themselves, so they phoned a lawyer friend of the family. He devised a resolution very quickly. First, he borrowed a cow from Farmer Jones, across the road. That made 18 cows which, when divided as their father had requested, left Jake, the eldest with 1/2 of them – 9 cows. Billy Bob inherited 1/3 of the herd - 6 cows. Little Jimmy ended up with 1/9th – 2 cows. That totaled 17 cows, (9 + 6 + 2). The one left over was given back to Farmer Jones.



Our June meeting at the Burlington Arts Centre will be on Monday, June 10