



# Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore

## Hi-Lites – April 2016

**Monday, April 11**  
**10:00 AM**

**Guest Speaker:**  
**John Best**

**The Bay City Observer**

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### **Co-Presidents' Message**

The month of March has closed and it is time to look forward to spring flowers, warm weather, golfing, hiking, taxes and enjoying the lazy hazy days of summer. It is also a time to reflect. The frost is quickly leaving the ground. National Probus Month is over. What does all of this mean for our Club?

The Club had a very successful month. Thanks to Mike Hoshoooley, Jack White and Gerald Laing, the City of Burlington again proclaimed March as Probus Month. An informative press release explaining Probus was prepared by Gerald Laing and passed on to the various regional news organizations. A picture of the Presidents of all the Burlington Clubs was taken with Mayor, Rick Goldring, and distributed with the Press Release.

At the March meeting five new members were introduced and joined the club. Please make an effort to introduce yourself to our new members. A "hello" and "welcome to our Club" will be greatly appreciated.

Our speaker, Robert Steven, CEO of the Art Gallery of Burlington, shared much information about the Art Gallery of Burlington, its past as well as thoughts about its future. It is little known that the Art Gallery has, "the largest comprehensive collection of contemporary Canadian ceramics in the world".

Going forward the Club is looking for ways to increase membership. Peter Hughes, Membership Chair, has been and is working diligently on improving ways to attract new members. We can all support Peter by encouraging friends and colleagues to attend a meeting and hopefully join our Club. Our Events Committee Chair, Bob Moulton, and his committee have put together an impressive events calendar for this coming season. Member support for these efforts is encouraged. Suggestions are welcome.

Finally, we are half way through our fiscal year. Several members of the Management Committee wish to retire. For our next fiscal year we need a Treasurer and a House Committee Chairman. For our Club to be strong and viable, new members of the Management Committee are needed. New ideas are welcome. If anyone is interested in volunteering, please speak to a member of the Management Committee. This is a great way to meet new acquaintances and make new friends.

Snowbirds, welcome home!

Bob Miller and John Wishart, Co-Presidents

## Guest Speaker – John Best

John Best is an award-winning writer and editor, author of many articles and a book. He currently is the founder and publisher of the Bay Observer—a monthly publication serving Hamilton and Burlington since 2008. Previously John enjoyed a 20-year background as a senior television and radio news manager, and a hands-on executive producer of television documentaries and live television specials. He is an experienced media coach providing training to executives of a variety of organizations.



Mike Wain – Speakers Committee

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## Membership Report

We are now 151 members, as 17 have left and 6 have joined since December 31, 2015. The new members are:

- Cam Bright,
- Roy Cooper,
- Rudy Kirner,
- Bill O'Brien,
- Jeremy Parsons and
- Michael Smith.

Jeremy has yet to be presented to the membership.

The Management Committee would like to see the numbers increased and I have deputized all of you to act as membership prospectors. Spread the word, mention us to friends, neighbours, family - in fact anyone with a pulse. We are the best deal in town and we have great activities as well as informative speakers.

We have a brochure to wow prospective applicants. Bob Winstanley or I will be at meetings and available to talk to prospects and to provide more information. You may also email me at [pjhughes38@gmail.com](mailto:pjhughes38@gmail.com) if you wish me to send information out to someone. Further, bringing them to a meeting is the best way to introduce them to Probus.

Onward and upward,  
Peter Hughes, Membership Chair

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## Special Events

Haven't signed up yet for the two theatre events? Don't delay! Please sign up today to avoid disappointment. At the April meeting, we will take payments by cheque made out to "**Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore**".

The First Ontario Centre for the Performing Arts in St. Catharines is the venue for the **Norm Foster play "Here on the Flight Path"** with the date of Wednesday, July 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm. Tickets are very reasonably priced at \$35.00 pp. Details on the variety of restaurants near the theatre for dining before and/or after the play will be available at the May meeting and will be noted in the May issue of Hi-Lites.

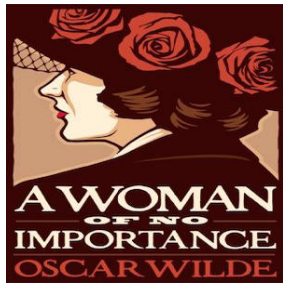


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The Shaw Festival matinee presentation at the main festival theatre will feature

**"A Woman of No Importance" by Oscar Wilde**

**Wilde.** The date for this event is Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are on sale for \$65.00 pp.



we will have to weigh new events carefully with your input.

Your Events Committee  
Bob Moulton, Events Chair

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### 2016 Golf Tournament

#### Cambridge Golf Club

Friday, May 27

**Shotgun Tee Off 9 AM, arrive by 8:30 AM**  
**A hamburger, salads, dessert and coffee/tea included.**

**\$64 per player including cart, lunch and prizes.**

The Burlington Bandits Baseball team provides local baseball entertainment. Their games are Thursdays at 7:30 pm and Saturdays at 1:00 pm. Admission is \$5.00 for seniors. We are currently looking into possible game days for our Probus club.

We will be seeking your input as members as to other events you would be interested in participating in. When you come to the April meeting the 50/50 table will provide you with a "ballot". Please complete it and return to the box on the Events table. Feel free to add other suggestions on the reverse of the "ballot". If you are unable to attend the April meeting please email me with your "ranking" of the six potential events.

We are asking all of you to rank the six events on the list that you are **most interested in. 1- most likely to 6- least likely.**

1. Burlington Braves Baseball Game
2. Collective Arts Craft Beer Store and Tasting – Hamilton
3. Famous People Players – Dinner Theatre - Mississauga
4. Dundurn Castle – Christmas Tour - Hamilton
5. Bull Dogs Hockey Game - Hamilton
6. Zamboni Plant Tour - Brantford

With the other events already on your calendar – Golf – Friday, May 27, 2016 in Cambridge and the Christmas Party on Monday, December 12, 2016

Please bring a cheque or cash to the April 11 meeting and sign up.



In addition to participating in this, our only golf event of 2016, there are two things you can do to help make this event a success and fun for all our golfers. First, please bring a Guest if you can. Between the 2 Burlington Probus Clubs, we barely have enough golfers to support a Shotgun Start and this format allows us to lunch together and award the prizes. The more golfers that tee up, the greater the negotiating power we will have to ensure a Shotgun Start for future tournaments. Second, please try soliciting a prize donation for the event. Most car dealers, financial advisors, golf clubs and restaurants are willing to donate a prize. They just need to be asked. Anything you can do would be sincerely appreciated.

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Please pass this message along to any golf Members you know that may not have current email addresses in our Directory. I look forward to enjoying a fun golf and lunch outing with all of you on May 27.

Stan Pearce, Golf Committee Chair

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## Activities Hiking Club



We will start off the 2016 Hiking Season with a Hike along the Burlington Beach. When we last tried to do this hike we ran into extreme fog and couldn't see anything. See picture above. This is a very easy hike and is designed to get you warmed up for the season. We will leave from the parking lot on the east side of Lakeshore Road down past the New Hospital Building. Maple Ave. going south becomes Lakeshore Rd. The hike is scheduled for **Thursday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am to 11:30 am**. Lunch is also an option. No poles or grippers are needed, as we will be on paved trails. Looking forward to your participation...

Jim Thurston, Hiking Coordinator

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## Computer Interest Group

The next meeting will be on April 14 at 10am at Appleby Place in the basement room.

Remember to send Robert your questions via email to



[Robert.lalonde@me.com](mailto:Robert.lalonde@me.com).

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## Cheer Committee

**Paul Crittenden** is the coordinator of the "**Cheer Committee**" function. Members are asked to advise Paul when they learn about serious illness and/or hospitalization of fellow members or their spouses. In turn, Paul 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 Paul's on his cell phone at (905) 464-2210 or by email at [dpaulcrittenden@gmail.com](mailto:dpaulcrittenden@gmail.com).

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Please note that the next regular monthly meeting of our Probud Club will be on **Monday, May 9, 2016**