



The Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore

Hi-Lites – December 2016

Monday, December 12

12:30 PM

**Christmas Dinner
Burlington Legion**



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Joy and Peace to the World

All the leaves have been put to the curb for the 2nd pickup date in our area. This allowed the final cutting of the lawn for this year. The sun was shining and the temperature was 14 degrees. What a Grey Cup game! Anne always picks the favorite, and I felt Ottawa had a good shot given Burris and the weather.

Three of us attended the Nov. 18 Ontario District 3 meeting held at Credit Valley Golf Club. There were break-out groups for the executives from each club which allowed for networking, exchanging ideas, and sharing what has worked in other clubs. There was a facilitator who ensured that a discussion took place on certain topics, all of which was captured by each table on folding charts handed in for distribution with minutes later. There was a representative from Johnson's Insurance who gave a presentation on the group benefits available to Probud Clubs and members.

Mike Hoshoooley invited the other clubs and their representative to a meeting of the steering committee to form a New combined (women and men) Probud Club. **I draw your attention to an insert by Mike and the committee elsewhere in the High-Lites inviting those interested to an information meeting in January.** I want to personally thank Mike for the timely progress and leadership he has demonstrated.

One of our charter members, Peter Lehman has indicated that health and age are the reasons for his decision to retire. We wish him well.

I am looking forward to the Dundurn Castle Christmas tour Dec. 5th. Bob Moulton and his committee are doing an excellent job and I draw your attention to their events report for more information.

The Christmas Luncheon committee has sold 104 tickets (7 more reserved unpaid). Up to **9 more ticket sales can be accommodated**. There is still time to join us. **Dec. 5th is the last day to order tickets.** See elsewhere in High-Lites who to contact.

I want to draw your attention to those who are less fortunate than ourselves and urge you to consider helping them in any way that you can.

Finally, I wish for you and yours a Very Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Ronald Luxon, President

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Meeting Schedule for 2017

January 9	February 13
March 13	April 10
May 8	June 12
July 10	August 14
September 18	October 16
November 13	December 11

PROBUS CHRISTMAS DINNER

WITH RED CHRISTMAS POINSETTAS AND GREEN HOLLY AND IVY TO DECORATE THE WHITE LINENED TABLES, A DELICIOUS FRESH TURKEY DINNER WILL BE PRESENTED FOR ALL TO ENJOY, ON DECEMBER 12.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN PROBUS MEMBERS, GET YOUR GROUPS TOGETHER AND PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS (\$30.00 P/P) AT THE **NOV** MONTHLY MEETING.

COME EARLY, ENJOY A CHRISTMAS CHEER AND REMEMBER,

"TIS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY"

Preparations for the Christmas Dinner are going on with full force. We can arrange for an extra table accommodating 8 more guests. Please call Gerry Wright at (289) 983-6086, by December 5, 2016 at the latest.

Special Events

2017 Inter-club Grummet Trophy Curling Bonspiel

Date/Time: Wednesday,
February 8th, 2017
@11:00 AM



Location: Burlington
Curling Club (New
Street) Cost: \$ 40 for
Curling & Lunch

Limited to the first 20 Entries

Spectators Welcome: Lunch \$10.

Come out and cheer our club to victory.
Signup will be available only at the January
meeting.

Dave McKenzie, Curling Coordinator

Dundurn Castle

The **Dundurn Castle Christmas Tour** is set for Monday, December 5, 2016 at 2:00 pm. Twenty-one will be attending and are asked to be at the **Coach House** (near the parking lot) at 1:45 pm. We will be treated to a picture of past life of the leaders of the day in the Hamilton community and a great start to the Christmas season.

St. Catharines Theatre

The performance schedule for the 2nd year of the **Norm Foster Festival** of plays has been released. We will be ordering tickets for the last half of July for the Foster Play "**Old Love**" being performed at the **First Ontario Performing Arts Centre** in St. Catharines. The actual date of the matinee performance will be available in **February** and sign-up sheets will be available at that time.

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Shaw Festival

The **September** date for an afternoon performance of *“Me and My Girl”* at the Shaw Festival will be announced at the **February** meeting. Sign-up /Intention sheets will be available for Shaw beginning in **March**. The play is a **musical** with score by **Noel Gay** and its original book and lyrics by **Douglas Furber** and L. Arthur Rose. The setting is in the late 1930s and tells the story of an unapologetically unrefined cockney gentleman named Bill Snibson, who learns that he is the 14th heir to the Earl of Hareford. The action is set in **Hampshire, Mayfair** and **Lambeth**.

Stratford

Research on a potential trip to **Stratford** to the **Festival Theatre** during the 2017 season is underway. We expect to provide a report early in 2017. We will be reporting on a package that will include your ticket to a performance of *“Guys and Dolls”*, lunch prior to the performance and travel on a highway tour coach.

Remember all of the events we are currently planning are open. You are welcome to invite friends and family to join you for any of the events.

If you have suggestions for other events that we might consider, please let us know. We have had volunteers step up to assist with the events but we would welcome more help, in particular from our newer members. There is no better way to get to know other members of your club. Thank you to Arn Folliot, Guido Steinnagel, Dick Hames for their assistance.

Bob Moulton, Events Chair

New Women’s and Men’s Probus Club of Burlington

Members of existing Probus clubs, who are interested in the proposed combined men and women’s club in Burlington, may register their interest in attending an information meeting in January about the new club by emailing the convener at:

womenandmensprobusburlington@gmail.com

Your name(s) and emails will be noted and specific details of the meeting date and venue will be advised early in the new year. The new club is open to couples as well as single men and single women. Interested parties may belong to more than one club.

Mike Hoshooey, New Club Coordinator

Parking Passes Update



If you are a member who has ordered and paid for a 2017 Parking Pass can pick yours up at the Reception Desk now. A pass has been placed in an envelope with your name on it at the Desk. If you haven’t ordered a pass and want one, you can speak to the folks at Reception and pay them the \$33.00 directly with cash or a cheque made out to the Art Gallery of Burlington.

Jim Gilleland, House Committee Chair

Cheer Committee



John Pegg and John Hughes are sharing as Coordinators of the “Cheer Committee”. John Pegg will be away during the months of January,

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February and March.

Club members are asked to advise either of them or a member of the management committee when they learn of a serious illness or death of a fellow member or spouse.

In turn, arrangement will be made to contact or visit the member and follow up on developments. Our Management Committee will be informed and “Get Well” or “Sympathy” cards sent to the member of behalf of the Club.

You can reach either John by phone or e-mail.
John Pegg 905 637 9980 jt.pegg@sympatico.ca
John Hughes 905 333 4910
johnhiltonhughes@gmail.com

John Pegg, Cheer Committee



**Wishing you and yours a
Very Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year**

Membership

Hi, your membership guy reports.

We have, as of Nov. 30, 2016, the following stats: total paid: 134, unpaid/undecided?? 12.

If you have not paid, or are unsure, please call or email me (905-510-2425, pjhughes38@gmail.com). Also, if you have changed address, email, telephone number, please let me know.

All the best and hope to see you at the Xmas party, ho ho ho.

Peter Hughes, Membership

Promoting Probus

Interested in seeing some good marketing for a local Probud Club? Check out this video from the Cambridge club: <https://youtu.be/tdCTvMVr-t8>
Food for thought for our Lakeshore Club as look to increase membership.

Please note that the next regular monthly meeting of our Probud Club will be on

Monday, January 9, 2017

Speaker: John Beeden
Solo Pacific Row