



# The Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore

## Hi-Lites – March 2017

**Monday, March 13  
10:00 PM**

**Speaker:  
Prof. Robert Park**

**“Franklin Expedition”**

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### **“Day light saving Sunday March 12<sup>th</sup> Spring ahead”**

My wife Anne and I decided on a week in Haliburton cross country skiing, in order to enjoy some more winter this year. It was beautiful – saw two deer.

Another winter event locally saw Probus Lakeshore lose the Grummet curling trophy by 13 points (another win would have given us 20 more points) – wait until next year.

Mayor Goldring was our speaker in February. He gave us a state of the City of Burlington in his speech. He pointed out the reasons that we and others want to come and live here. In addition, he pointed out why and how we could continue to stay in the City with its low unemployment, rising house prices, with development under an “In-filling Plan”, allowing affordable housing condominiums and stacked Townhomes around the transportation hubs. Burlington continues to be a recreational lifestyle community that encourages cycling for short distance trips as well as longer enjoyable exercise. There is a trained work force, as well as cultural and various events attractive to Companies wishing to relocate here.

Mayor Goldring presented a Proclamation to the Presidents of the Burlington Probus Clubs, including to Probus Canada Ontario District no. 3 Secretary, Bob Boone. He proclaimed March Probus Month. These people were invited to attend the meeting which was videoed by Cogeco.

I want to thank Gerald Laing and others for the marketing efforts. I hope everyone takes the opportunity to view the Cogeco news video.

Mike Hoshoooley and the Mixed Club coordinating committee continue their ambitious pace, having held the first steering committee February 23<sup>rd</sup>. The new Mixed Probus Club of Burlington will meet at the AGB on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday monthly at 2p.m., beginning with the Foundation Meeting March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Congratulations Mike and the Committee.

I have received an invitation from Ontario Directors of Probus Canada for two to attend a Probus Premier Event - “Happy 30<sup>th</sup> Probus Canada – Happy 150<sup>th</sup> Canada” to be held Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.. Location is at Grand Valley Golf & Country Club in Cambridge. The cost is \$25 per person, requested on 1 cheque per club.

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## President's Message – continued

Remember, **Day light saving** prior to our next meeting. There is a new meeting **setup-** facing the Lake with a new screen. Join us for fellowship and to hear **Prof. Robert Park speak** about the **Franklin Expedition**. Beware the Ides of March (17). Snow? Not to worry, spring March 20<sup>th</sup>.

Ronald Luxon  
President

## Guest Speaker – Prof. Robert Park

Professor Robert Park is our March speaker. His



highly interesting subject is the discovery of Sir John Franklin's long- lost ships in the Canadian high artic. The Franklin expedition, in search of the North-West passage, left England in 1854 and was never

seen again. Over the years, countless searches have been made without success.

Professor Park is an archaeological anthropologist who has extensively researched the Inuit's way of life. In the process, he became involved in the search for Franklin's ships over ten years ago in 2008. His first-hand involvement in the discovery is a fascinating story.

Professor Park is Associate Dean, Infrastructure and Technology and Acting Chair of Anthropology at the University of Waterloo.

Ken Davy, Speakers Committee

## March is Probus Month!



What follows is the link for the sound bite recorded at February 13th's meeting and our Mayor's Proclamation presentation announcing March as PROBUS Month in Burlington.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NOOXt6tRZjE>

A copy of the proclamation follows Hi\_lites.

Gerald Lang, Marketing Coordinator

## Special Events

### Shaw Festival

Ticket sales for the upcoming Shaw Festival performance of "**Me and My Girl**", Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at 2:00 pm are going well. Twenty-six of the forty tickets have been sold at **\$65.00 pp.**



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## First Ontario Performing Arts Centre



Similarly, ticket sales have been solid with twenty-four of the forty tickets spoken for at the attractive price of **\$30.00 pp**. The **Foster Play – “Old Love”** is set for **Wednesday, July 19, 2017** at 2 pm promises to be a great afternoon’s entertainment. Seats in the First Ontario Performing Arts Centre - Cairns Theatre are now “assigned seating”.

Sign-up sheets for both events will be available at the March meeting with cheques being accepted for both events.

We are continuing to gather information on other events including: the Stratford Festival Theatre, the Sanderson Centre (Brantford) – Glenn Miller Big Band performance, and the Halton County Radial Railway Museum.

A reminder to members: all the events we are currently planning are open – subject to ticket availability. You are welcome to invite friends and family to join you for any of the events.

Bob Moulton, Events Chair

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## Spring Golf Tournament

We will return to the Cambridge Golf Club on May 26th. Shot gun start, cart, lunch, and prizes are all included in the \$65.00 entry fee.



We will have a sign-up sheet for the March meeting and get a committee together for prizes.

We have a good start for the tournament but there is more to come.

Dennis Colameco, Golf Co-ordinator

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## New Mixed Probus Club of Burlington

Membership stands at about 200 now and has levelled off in past week or so. The steering committee met last week and came to a few decisions about the club’s characteristics. It will be an afternoon club, meeting at 2pm at the AGB on the 4th Wednesday monthly. There will be no meeting in July and August. Speakers Committee, Special Events committee and an Interest Group coordinator are hard at work developing programs so that members can participate this spring in their choice of activities.

The foundation meeting will be held March 22 at 2pm at the AGB.

Mike Hoshoooley, New Club Co-ordinator

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## Computer Interest Group

Our next meeting will be on March 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at Appleby Place.

Remember to send Robert your questions via email to [rob-lalonde@me.com](mailto:rob-lalonde@me.com)



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## 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, 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 on 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  
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John Pegg, Cheer Committee

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## Meeting Schedule for 2017

May 8	June 12
July 10	August 14
September 18	October 16
November 13	December 11

## Thank You

The club wishes to thank the following members who have kindly agreed to act as Greeters and/or 50/50 draw ticket salesmen. Your help is appreciated.



Don Spearin	Jim Dyer
Frank Kovacs	Jack Barton
Guido Steinnagel	Ken Gibson
Grant Baxter	Tom Colin
Paul Pawliw	

Jim Gilleland, House Committee

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

Monday, April 10, 2017

Speaker: Linda Bramble  
Winemaking Pioneers



*The Corporation of the City of Burlington  
Office of the Mayor*

## PROCLAMATION

**Whereas** Each year Probus Canada dedicates one month to celebrate the existence in 200 communities across the country in which more than 32,000 members participate regularly. In Burlington a very active six clubs with over 1200 members meet regularly at the Art Gallery of Burlington where they enhance the well-being of all members through their fellowship, learning and social activities. The City of Burlington commends the growth of these clubs from nil in 1987 to the current levels and supports the promotion of these community-based programs by proclaiming March as "Probus Clubs of Burlington" month; and

**Whereas** During the month, all of the six clubs will engage the public through publicity events or activities and provide general information to increase public awareness of the opportunities available to residents of Burlington who are substantially retired, with a view to inviting them to a meeting as our guests and hear interesting speakers, meet people with common interests and learn of the various social activities offered; and

**Whereas** From inception in Burlington in 1987 when the first men's club was established (as number 3) in Canada and then in 1990 when the first of the four women's clubs was established, the Probus Clubs of Burlington have welcomed many people over the years and look forward to continued growth and success in the future. They invite interested parties to contact any of the six clubs via the National Probus Website [www.probus.org](http://www.probus.org). All of the clubs' specific websites may be accessed from the National site. Their names are: Men's Probus Club of Burlington, Men's Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore, Women's Probus Club of Burlington, Women's Central Probus Club of Burlington, Appleby Women's Probus Club of Burlington and North Burlington Women's Probus Club; and

Now therefore, I Rick Goldring, Mayor of the City of Burlington  
do hereby proclaim the month of **March 2017** as

**"PROBUS CLUBS OF BURLINGTON MONTH"**

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017

  
Mayor Rick Goldring

