



# The Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore

Hi-Lites – April 2017

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

**Speaker:  
Linda Bramble**

**“Winemaking  
Pioneers”**

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## **Holy Week begins April 9 with Palm Sunday**

In March, spring arrived. We survived both the Ides of March (15) and St. Patrick's Day (17)! With daylight savings time, the evenings are lighter. Curling is in the playoffs. It won't be long until the flowers appear and golfing starts.

Probus Month of March, as proclaimed by the Mayor, was used to celebrate Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> with the launch of the Mixed Probud Club of Burlington. Please see Mike Hoshoooley's report later in this news letter detailing the events of March 22. On behalf of our Club, I wish to thank Mike and the committee for achieving this historic goal during Probus Month.

At our March 13 meeting, Prof. Robert Park spoke on the Franklin Expedition in the high Arctic, which was very interesting and well received.

Don't forget to say hello to our new members: Bob Bryant, John Callen, Mike Cioci, Dennis Colameco, and Ray Servant. Membership Chair, Peter Hughes, encourages all members to invite others to join us.

Please, let's support Bob Moulton and events committee, including Dennis and the golf day.

We are seven months into the fiscal year – time to think of what committee or management position you aspire to. We need and encourage your participation. You will enjoy being involved and getting to know your fellow club members. Let myself or other management committee members know of your intentions. A Nominating Committee will be formed soon.

Welcome back Snowbirds!

Happy Easter, everyone.

Ronald Luxon, President

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### Guest Speaker – Linda Bramble

Linda Bramble believes that anyone who can taste and smell and has the interest, can become a connoisseur of fine wine.

Her contributions to the wine community have won her numerous awards.



After graduating from the University at Buffalo with a Ph.D. in philosophy and education, Linda taught at Brock University in St. Catharines, Ontario, then Concordia University in Montreal. When she returned to Niagara because of her husband's career, she became the Program Director for the Niagara Institute, a center for the study of leadership. While there, she, along with three others, started a regional magazine and her beat became the burgeoning wine industry.

From that point on, she was hooked. She gathered credentials from the Wine and Spirits Education Trust, the International Sommelier Guild and became a sommelier and teacher of sommeliers. During that period, she wrote five books on wine, food and wine travel, and contributed regular articles to several national and international publications. When Brock opened its wine institute, she re-joined the Brock faculty to teach wine appreciation and excellence in wine sales and service.

Today, Linda dedicates most of her time to writing, and has published a book titled *Wine Visionaries of Niagara* that traces its radical transformation.

Lou Pennachetti, Speakers Committee

### Membership

We are still creeping our way back to 150 hale and hearty souls. We will add 1 this month, March, to be introduced at our April meeting and hopefully the two applications we gave to interested parties will produce more for April.

Otherwise, membership remains quite stable over the past 2 years.

Any friends, family, acquaintances let them know we are open to new members, we have great meetings and ancillary items such as trips to theatres, golf and curling as well as hiking for the young at heart.

Peter Hughes, Membership

### Special Events

#### Special Events Committee April Report

Thirty-eight of the forty tickets have been purchased for the upcoming Shaw Festival performance of "Me and My Girl", Tuesday, May 30, 2017 at 2:00 pm. This leaves only two seats available. If you are looking for a pair of tickets please contact me immediately and I will reserve them. You will need to deliver your cheque at the April Probus meeting. If you are one of the six (6) members who have not paid for your reserved tickets, we need your cheque as soon as possible. Payment for SHAW tickets must be made at the April meeting. If you are not attending the April meeting, please email me to alert me to your request and mail your cheque to: Bob Moulton, 377 Bluebird Court, Burlington, ON, L7T2P6

As of the writing of this report ticket sales for the Foster Play – "Old Love" on Wednesday, July 19,

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2017 at 2:00 pm have reached thirty of the forty tickets. It promises to be a great afternoon's entertainment in a very beautiful facility. The attractive price of \$30.00 pp should lead you to consider a pair of tickets. 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 April meeting with cheques being accepted for both events.

A reminder to members that 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



Just a reminder that we are looking for prizes for the golf tournament on May 26 at the Cambridge Golf Club.

The cost for this year is \$65 all in.

We will have a sign-up sheet at the April meeting and you can make your cheques payable to the Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore.

Dennis Colameco, Golf Coordinator

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### New Mixed Probus Club of Burlington

This will be the final report as the club is now operating.

The Foundation meeting for the Mixed Probus Club of Burlington was held March 22 at the Burlington Art Gallery, to an audience of about 190 members; the total membership is about 210, including folks who couldn't attend the meeting as well as the snowbirds not yet returned from Florida. Ron Luxon introduced Bob Boone, a director for Probus Canada for Ontario region 3 as keynote speaker who presented an update of Probus happenings in Canada. Ron Luxon then presented the resolutions outlining the basic operating tenants of the club which were accepted by the membership and then introduced the slate of officers who were elected as presented. Finally, he presented the Club Charter to Patricia Howard the New Club's President, who then spoke briefly and had her committee chairs introduce their first round of events with a full calendar of events for April, May and June. All agreed the new club was off to a great beginning and a promising future.

Membership inquiries may be directed to Norm Freitin Membership Chair at [rodemi@cogeco.ca](mailto:rodemi@cogeco.ca).

Mike Hoshoooley, New Club Co-ordinator;

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### Computer Interest Group

Our next meeting will be on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at Appleby Place.



Remember to send Robert your questions via email to [Robert.lalonde@me.com](mailto:Robert.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 of behalf of the Club.

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

John Pegg, Cheer Committee

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## By The Numbers!

The audited Financial Statements for the 2015/16 fiscal year have been posted to the club website. You will find the statements under the "History" tab at [www.burlingtonlakeshoreprobus.org](http://www.burlingtonlakeshoreprobus.org).

## Meeting Schedule for 2017

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

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## Slow Golf Day

Two men were having an awfully slow round of golf because the two ladies in front of them managed to get into every sand trap, lake, and rough on the course. They didn't bother to wave the men on through, which is proper golf etiquette.

After two hours of waiting and waiting, one man said, "I think I'll walk up there and ask those gals to let us play through." He walked out the fairway, got halfway to the ladies, stopped, turned around, and came back, explaining, "I can't do it. One of those women is my wife and the other is my mistress! Maybe you'd better go talk to them."

The second man walked toward the ladies, got halfway there and, just as his partner had done, stopped, turned around and walked back and said: "Small world."

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

Monday, May 8, 2017



