



# The Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore

## Hi-Lites - June 2020

**Monday, June 8**

**Still No Meeting  
due to COVID-19**

**Stay Safe Everyone**

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### **President's Message**



These continue to be strange times as we adapt to the isolation and social distancing rules that apply to us. Unfortunately, the activities of our club have been curtailed and we are exploring new ways to bring our members together for fellowship.

In early May, your Management Committee held a virtual meeting utilizing Zoom technology. It was great to see everyone together again even if we were not in the same room. At this meeting we decided to cancel any formal meetings at the Art Gallery of Burlington that we originally planned for June, July and August. However, we are investigating the possibility of having Zoom meetings of our club over these months. We are awaiting provincial and municipal directions on how we will be able to conduct meetings in a proper socially distanced manner.

In the meantime, the management committee will conduct a phone blitz of the members to see if there are any issues that we can share with others in the club. We will also try to answer any questions or concerns you might have about acquiring and using Zoom for a meeting.

I was saddened to learn about the passing of Farhad Gharavy. Farhad served for several years on our Management Committee and over the years helped us with the arrangements for our annual Christmas party. We will miss him.

On a personal note, we are gradually learning how to deal with the isolation and social distancing issues. It is great to see all of the neighbours out walking around the block and getting their yards in shape for the summer. It has also been interesting to find ways to do the grocery shopping and avoid the crowds. Fortunately we have found a store that allows curbside pick up with only one day of waiting after we emailed in our order. We have also found a wine merchant that will deliver to the door. This service has allowed us to enjoy a few cocktail parties on Zoom. Finally, I am also looking forward to getting back to the golf course with the Silver Sliders again. Hopefully we will find a way to connect with the other members as we play.

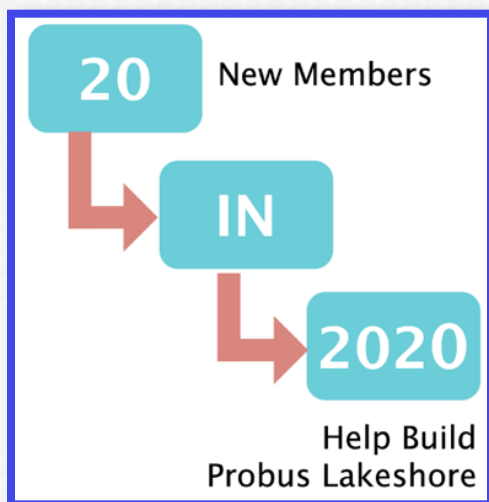
And remember, if you are concerned about getting a COVID 19 test, you can contact the assessment clinic of the Joseph Brant Hospital if you are:

- Symptomatic
- Asymptomatic, but concerned about exposure to known or potential cases; and
- Asymptomatic and have risk from exposure in the line of duty (essential workers, health care workers, etc.).

Please stay safe and keep in touch with your family and friends.

Bill Willson,  
President

## Membership



Members, our 20 in 2020 contest continues to thrive in spite of COVID-19!

New Members, in spite of the current situation the following have been approved as new Probus Lakeshore members and we extend a very warm welcome!

As soon as we resume we will give them all the proper greeting!

### PLEASE WELCOME

- Dan Pare
- Warren Bell
- Bill MacDonald
- Jim Crans
- Leo Normandeau
- Henk Kuiper

I've had enquiries about the success of our current membership drive to add 20 new members in 2020 and I'm happy to report **that with your great support we are half way there with 10 New Members!**

Keep pushing the benefits of Lakeshore Probus, so we start off with a BANG!

Ken Medland,  
Membership

## Talk about retention!



Probus Burlington Lakeshore received its charter on February 8, 1993 and we still have the following active members on board from the first years...amazing and thanks to them!

Ken Gibson, Len Kay, Stephen Pustai, Ed Taylor, Rod McGrath, Ken Campbell, John Marshall, Wayne Zarankin, Ken Davy, Jack Litton and Dohn Nagy...thanks for starting a great club!

On that note, annual fees in 1993 were \$ 25 and today have only risen to \$ 40, not bad for inflation over 27 years! And still great value!!

Ken Medland

## Activities

### Computer Interest Group

Our next meeting will be on **September 24** at 10 am at Burlington East Presbyterian Church (505 Walkers Line) located on Walkers Line just above New Street. Entry fee is \$7 per session.



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

## From the Speaker's Chair.....

Sandy, from Glasgow, was drinking at a pub all night. When he got up to leave, he fell flat on his face. He tried to stand again, but to no avail, falling flat on his face. He decided to crawl outside and get some fresh air to see whether that would sober him up. Once outside, he stood up and, sure enough, fell flat on his face. So, being a practical Scot, he crawled all the way home. When he got to the door, he stood up yet again, but fell flat on his face. He crawled through the door into his bedroom. When he reached his bed, he tried once more to stand upright. This time he managed to pull himself to his feet but fell into bed. He was sound asleep as soon as his head hit the pillow.

He woke the next morning to his wife shaking him and shouting, "So, I see were out drinkin' as usual last night!" "Why Annie would ye say that?" he complained innocently. "Because the pub called to say ye left yer wheelchair there again!"

Submitted by Duncan McPhail  
for the Speakers' Committee

## Cheer Committee

The Cheer Committee will contact or visit members or spouses who are ill. In the event of bereavement, a card of condolence will be sent to the family and, for a member, a memorial donation made to a charity of their choice. No mention of the situation will be made in the newsletter in order to maintain privacy.

Please inform one of the committee members, if you aware of anyone who has an illness or bereavement, for appropriate action:

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Brian Langlotz, Cheer Committee



Next Regular Meeting

**To Be Determined**

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS  
GOING OUT TO ALL THE  
MARRIED MEN WHO'VE SPENT  
MONTHS TELLING THE WIFE  
I'LL DO THAT WHEN I GOT TIME

**NEW FROM IKEA**



**SOCIAL DISTANCE BENCH**

## Getting to know your Management Team

Please watch this space each month as we introduce your Management Committee members. This month we feature your Treasurer and your House Committee Chair

### Dave Little

As your Treasurer I am the Club's "bean counter" responsible for all financial affairs. These include amongst others, banking, budgeting, processing member payments and financial statement preparation.



The Treasurer's role is one I come by naturally as my educational and career backgrounds are in the financial area. I obtained a B.Comm from Queens University in 1968 and qualified as a CA/CPA with Price Waterhouse Coopers, Toronto and Windsor in 1971. I had the good fortune of serving in senior financial management positions with 2 local companies White Radio Limited (26 years) and Synapse Marketing Consultants (7 years).

I enjoy and play many sports – golf, baseball, tennis, pickleball, curling – none are played with any degree of skill but with a lot of enjoyment – especially the post game fellowship! I have tried to "give back" to these sports by serving on the Boards of the Aldershot Tennis Club and the Burlington Oldtimers Slo-Pitch League.

My wife of 49 years, Cathy, and I have lived in Burlington for 47 years. We have one daughter who with her husband have blessed us with 3 wonderful grandchildren. That they live locally is the "icing on the cake"!

### Jim Gilleland

It sounds a tad pretentious to call myself the Chair of the House Committee as I am essentially a committee of one. I depend on the ad hoc assistance of members to help out with acting as greeters and/or 50/50 ticket salesmen at our monthly meetings.



As House Chair it is my job to take care of making sure the "House" is ready for our meetings. I act as a liaison between our club and the Art Gallery staff to arrange any AV or other equipment our speakers require. I also take care of ordering in the Tim Hortons coffee for our meetings. Timmy takes care of delivering the coffee urn and I look after returning it following the meeting. And that's about it.

On a personal level, I was an elementary teacher with the Halton District School Board for 31 years. Upon retiring from teaching, I joined the staff at Indigo Books on Brant Street. A year later I was fortunate to begin working at the best independent book shop in Canada, right here in Burlington, A Different Drummer Books on Locust Street. I spent eight years at the Drummer doing something I loved and getting paid for it.

My wife Joanne and I married the same weekend as the Woodstock Music Festival. I'll let you figure out how many years ago that was. We have two children, and two grandchildren. I volunteer at Joseph Brant Hospital and have taken up lawn bowling.