



The Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore

Hi-Lites - November 2022

Mon., Nov. 14
10:00 am

At the AGB

**Prof. Stephan
Heathorn**

Britain after Brexit

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Ken Medland's Presidential Message

Welcome to another year of PROBUS Lakeshore!

As always, we will have an exciting year of great speakers, fellowship, and fun! I am honoured to be your incoming President and pledge to all of our members, a fully open-door policy! Feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, and even the odd compliment!

As I have not had the opportunity to meet all of you all yet, I want to give an overview of my previous work and personal background.

I started my business career with Bell Canada in Hamilton Ontario, then joined Citibank Canada, heading up the equipment leasing division. Then due to "right-sizing", I joined the Jim Pattison Group in the Magazine Division with national responsibility for Indigo and Chapters. I can honestly say, I loved every moment of my work world, with great travel nationally and internationally and the opportunity to interact with truly gifted and passionate people!

I admit I am guilty of carrying this passion and love of people to my being a member of PROBUS Lakeshore. You, headed by our exceptional group called the Management Committee (MC) have created a professional team dedicated to making our club the best in all aspects!

I want to thank the MC for their ongoing support and a very special thanks to our outgoing President, Malcolm Ramsay for setting a high standard and providing outstanding membership..."Thanks, Malcolm!"

I also want to thank all of you for encouraging new members to join the "**Best Men's Club in Burlington**".

At our next meeting, we have another great topic. **Britain After Brexit**, a very timely topic.

At this meeting, if we haven't met please come over ,shake hands/ touch elbows and say hello. 😊

Thanks for listening.

Ken

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Guest Speaker - Prof. Stephen Heathorn

Stephen Heathorn is Professor of British History at McMaster University. He is the author of a number of books and several dozen academic articles on British history. He was elected Fellow of the Royal Historical Society in 2011.



“Sipping from the Poisoned Chalice: The Legacies of Brexit”

The 2016 referendum over continued membership in the European Union initiated a sustained period of crisis in the United Kingdom. The UK has now left the EU, but massive challenges stemming from that decision remain. This talk will briefly survey the constitutional, party political, populist, and economic legacies of the Brexit saga and highlight those areas where medium and long term solutions to the challenges opened up by Brexit have yet to be found.

Warren Bell, Speakers' Committee

Holiday Luncheon 2022

Not yet signed up for the Probus Holiday Luncheon? Not sure of the details? Well, here's the scoop!

Date: Monday, December 12 at 11:30 am
Where: Burlington Golf and Country Club
422 North Shore Blvd E

Bring your spouse or friend

Lunch: Choice of turkey or salmon
(let us know when you sign up)

Entertainment: Effusion (classical takes on traditional seasonal music)

Price: \$75.00 per person (incl. taxes and gratuities)

Sign up by email to John McArthur
john@mcArthurconsultants.com
Or sign up at our November 14 Probus meeting

Payments by e-transfer or cheque.

Interac e-transfer
to paymentsprobuslakeshore@gmail.com

Cheques should be made out to
Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore
Send to: Dave Little
2071 Wellington Ave, Burlington, ON L7R 1P4

Payment can also be made at the November 14 meeting by credit or debit card (debit preferred).

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Membership

It is with very mixed emotions that I am tabling my last report as Membership Chair for PROBUS Lakeshore!

I want to say a sincere "THANKS" to all my fellow members for all the support you gave to our ongoing program to bring in new members..."**BE A FRIEND, BRING A FRIEND**'. You have exceeded our anticipations, reaching a total of **162 Members!** WELL DONE! You certainly made my job easier 😊

Please join me in welcoming Gary Kirkwood who has assumed the role of Membership Chair. Gary is a dynamic, creative, driven member who already has developed some new, exciting promotions to help you bring new members into PROBUS.

You won't be getting rid of me yet, as I have been fortunate to be chosen as your new president.

I am looking forward to be able to continue to interact with all of you and to provide support with the growth of "**The Best Men's Club in Burlington**"

Don't forget to send in your renewal fees, and please say HI at our next meeting on November 14th, See you there!

Ken Medland

Computer Interest Group



We are a joint, Burlington and Lakeshore Probus Club group, who get together to discuss current developments in the computer fields and help solve each other's computer related issues. We meet the fourth Thursday of the month at 10 am. The cost is free until we go to live meetings. If you would like to join us, please email Bob Dickison at rgdickison@gmail.com and he will

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 will be made to a charity of their choice.

Please inform Jim Thurston if you are aware of anyone who has an illness or bereavement, for appropriate action.

Jim Thurston - (905) 319-9352
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Jim Thurston, Cheer Committee

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2022/23 Dues Renewal

LAST CALL!!

To the 145+ members who have renewed their membership for 2022/2023 –
THANK YOU for your payment and your ongoing participation in the best men's club in Burlington!

To those who have not yet renewed – WE REALLY WANT YOU BACK!

BUT as we are now well into our new membership year (started October 1/22), the time to make your renewal payment is NOW.

As you know from earlier communications, your Management Committee has set the renewal fee at \$ 50. This is the first increase in several years and is necessary to cover the increased cost of operations – e.g. room and equipment rentals, speaker's fees.

By renewing your membership you will continue to enjoy many benefits such as -

- Monthly meetings with in person, Zoom and You Tube participation options.
- Highly educational and informative, top quality speakers.
- Access to special events (plays, tours) at reduced group prices.
- Fun and fellowship with your co-members.

Payment can be made in one of two ways –

1. \$ 50 Interac e-transfer through your online banking system; Recipient Name is Probus Burlington Lakeshore; Recipient email is paymentsprobuslakeshore@gmail.com
- OR**
2. By \$ 50 cheque payable to Probus Club of Burlington Lakeshore; mail cheque to our Treasurer, Dave Little at 2071 Wellington Ave. Burlington, ON L7R 1P4

Many thanks for your attention to this matter and we look forward to your renewal in our Probus Club.

Gary Kirkwood, Membership Chair; Dave Little, Treasurer

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Notes from the House

Parking passes from the Art Gallery will be on sale at the Art Gallery's Reception Desk at a cost of \$33.00. They cover the cost of using the Gallery's parking lot for our meetings from November 2022 to October 2023. The passes only cover the dates of our meetings and are not considered a general pass for other events.

A thank you to our greeters from the October meeting, Guido Steinnagel and Tom Williams and our 50/50 ticket salesman John Woods. Please consider helping out at future meetings by speaking to Doug Woodward at the meeting. It's a great way to get involved in the running of the club.

Doug Woodward,
Committee Chair



Next Month

Holiday Luncheon

Monday, December 12, 2022

In Flanders Fields

John McCrae - 1872-1918

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die

We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields

