



PROBUS NEWS

Women's Probus Club of
Cambridge Riverside

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Good day Ladies

Well, we could say that January has been somewhat of a surprise for us and is starting a new year with a bang. First, we had restrictions set out by our government, then there was the snowstorm of a lifetime and finally this cold spell which is keeping most of us inside and abiding by the rules imposed by our provincial leadership. Hopefully, this new month will bring about some changes and allow us to get back to our normal lives.

The purpose of Probus is to provide seniors with opportunities to meet new friends, participate in group activities and to listen to great speakers. Through our Zoom meetings and the efforts of our Program Committee, we have been able to hear from a variety of stimulating and knowledgeable speakers. But COVID and Omicron have put an end to our in-person meetings and our chances to interact with others. Lately, there have been so many variables to this pandemic that the Management Committee decided that we can not endorse indoor activities at this time. As I am writing this message, there seems to be a glimmer of hope indicating that we may be coming out of this. I am listening to the Premier who is relaxing some of the restrictions and opening up the venues where we are able to socialize. But until the middle of February, we have to continue to be vigilant and follow the rules. This too will pass and hopefully by June we will be able to meet in person. We will not be sending out a survey since we figure the government has made that decision for us. We will keep you posted. We ask for your patience as we try to get back to some form of normal.

February is an uplifting month. Valentine's Day is the celebration of love and affection. It is a day you exchange cards, gifts and candy with your loved ones. As Charles Schultz once said "All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt". Enjoy your day and stay safe.

Yvonne Wersh



MANAGEMENT TEAM 2021-2022

President	Yvonne Yersh
President Elect	Barb Fiddler
Past President	Alison Sanders
Treasurer	Suzanne Cline
Secretary	Aline Chan
Program	Lyn Pinnington/Jan Woyinarski
Membership	Anne Cher
Travel	Lynda Berg
Facility	Patrice Wappler/Linda Stoltz
Newsletter	Germaine Glaves
Special Events	Moraig Waite
Public Relations/Archives	Gloria Coppes
Member-at-Large	Barb Camilleri

*Virtual Meeting
is 2nd Wednesday
of the month at
9:30 am*

*Next Meeting
February 9th
Zoom
(meeting ID &
passcode will be
emailed the day
before)*

Christmas Party Winners!

Home Sense—Lynda Berg, Joanne Searle

Indigo—Ursula Horwat, Nancy Redmond

LCBO—Margie Stasiuk, Eleanor Miller

Shoppers Drug Mart—Mary Jane Novak, Marg Emy

Tim Hortons—Pauline Isbester, Joni Gosselin

Zehrs—Joyce Hall, Marg Johnston

Cake—Mary Hermanovics

Lunch—Margot McCurry



PROBIAN REFLECTIONS



Patrice Wappler

Over the past two years the Members from the Women's Probus Club of Cambridge Riverside have had to learn the Art of Patience. Our wonderful group of 210 ladies have been good naturedly waiting to return to our Hall for our In -person General Meetings. Also, waiting for a safe and a positive celebratory return have been **Patrice Wappler** and **Linda Stoltz**, **FACILITY CO-CHAIRS** for our Club. They have been attentively communicating with the Portuguese Club, making sure we have our monthly meeting time and reviewing the Portuguese Club's Covid Responsibilities to us. Fortunately, both Patrice and Linda joined the Transition Committee to assist the Management Committee in their decision making for a safe return to our in-person meetings. Mahatma Gandhi is quoted as saying, "To lose patience is to lose the battle" and thankfully we haven't lost but are still looking forward to connecting as a group at the Portuguese Hall in the future.



Linda Stoltz

February's Guest Speaker

JOSHUA RHAB

Detective Constable
General Investigations—Fraud Commercial
Waterloo Regional Police Service

Joshua is thirty-three years old and has been a police officer since 2011. He has worked in the Fraud Branch for a little over a year. Prior to that, he worked on patrol in Cambridge.

Joshua's topic is on telephone scams and fraud. He has pointers for us and suggestions on how to handle scammers.



NEW INDUCTEE

Kathryn Allamby



Kathryn is a former Finance Professional who has had a twenty-five year tenure at Manulife Financial. She enjoys walking, reading, travel, theatre and tennis. Welcome to Women's Probus Club of Cambridge Riverside!

Thinking of You Cards



Two "Get Well" cards and one "Bereavement" card was sent this month. If you know of a Probus member in need of a card, please contact

Marg DeBrusk

February Birthdays

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| Muriel Bell | Susan Gordon | Jean McLennan |
| Anne Cher | Cheryl Graham | Anne Randell-Nelson |
| Joanne Clements | Pauline Isbester | Ellen Smith |
| Patricia Dickson | Stasia Macleod | Lesley Van Hazel |
| Kathy Ellis | Sherry Manning | Joan Young-Goldstein |

Please send birthday corrections or omissions to Helen Baker. Notification only. Replies are not necessary.





Dear Members,

Due to the current change in directives from the Ontario Government and Local Health Unit and the fluidity of the Omicron variant, the Management Committee of the Women's Probus Club of Riverside Cambridge thinks it is prudent to curb all inside activities and interest groups at this time. It is our intention to continue our part in keeping our members healthy and safe. We will continue to actively follow all government protocols and guidelines.

Sincerely,

The Management Committee

PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS*

COMMITTEE	CONTACT	MEETING TIME
Book Club #1	Marg Johnstone	
Book Club #2	Helen Baker	Zoom
Bridge	Elizabeth Long	Zoom
Cards & Paper Arts	Aline Chan	Zoom
Euchre	Norma Johnston/Brenda Innanen	Zoom
Hiking Club	Cathy Coyle (Merrily Walker)	In-person following provincial guidelines
Purls Craft Group	Dot MacMillan	Zoom
Quilting	Aline Chan	Zoom
Sharps & Flats	Marg DeBrusk	
Travel	Lynda Berg	Cancelled till further notice
Walking Club	Patricia Heffernan	In-person following provincial guidelines

Only current members of the Probus Club of Cambridge Riverside may participate in Interest Groups under the auspices of the club.

* These Interest Groups are currently meeting via Zoom or following provincial guidelines. Contact Committee Contact for more information.

Final Submissions for March's newsletter is February 20th 2022.