



PROBUS NEWS

Women's Probud Club of Cambridge Riverside

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Probud Meeting

2nd Wednesday of the month

Next Meeting

February 8th

at 9:30 am

*Portuguese Club of
Cambridge*

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As I write my message today, I am reminded of all the wonderful people who have come into my life since I joined Probud. I just finished two zoom meetings for both the Program Committee and our Management Committee. The Program Committee has two more new members who are enthusiastic, sincere and refreshing creating an amazing blend of ideas and energy. The Management committee continues to amaze me with their dependability, trust and resilience to continue to move forward with all the changes we have had to make over the past few years. So much happens behind the scenes that no one sees. It is work but it sure is fun and it keeps our brain active in the process!

February is known for several popular events such as Valentine's Day, Chinese New Year, Random Acts of Kindness Day, Leap Year, the Super Bowl, Black History Month, Family Day and Groundhog Day. We all love to see what Wiarton Willie has to predict. If we don't like his prediction, we can listen to Shubenacadie Sam, who is a female by the way, or Punxsutawney Phil. However, and most notably, February is the month of heart Health. Cities initiate different ways to celebrate Heart month to create awareness with education and tools. February truly is the month of love.

Barb Fiddler



February's Guest Speaker

DAVID CONNOLLY

David Connolly is the Associate Artistic Director of Drayton Entertainment and the Director of Education of their brand-new Youth Academy for the Performing and Technical Arts. He is also an active Disability and Inclusion Advocate who is deeply committed to changing the statistic of being the only amputee to have performed on Broadway. He has collaborated with artists including Katy Perry, Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber, Elton John, Sarah Jessica Parker, kd lang, Patti LaBelle, Sarah Brightman, and many others.

For Drayton Entertainment, he has helmed over thirty productions including *Mamma Mia!*, *Hairspray*, *Kinky Boots*, many Panto productions and Disney's *Newsies*. For the screen, David has directed and choreographed several series for CBC Kids including their newest live action series, "Ukulele U." He holds an Honours B.A. in Musical Theatre Performance from Sheridan College, and a recipient of The Ontario Premier's Award of Excellence.

Drayton Entertainment is a registered, not-for-profit charitable organization, and one of Canada's most successful professional theatre companies. From Broadway musicals to laugh-a-minute comedies and riveting dramas, Drayton Entertainment presents the finest in live theatre for all ages on seven unique stages, at six venues, in five communities across Ontario: the Drayton Festival Theatre in Drayton, Hamilton Family Theatre Cambridge in Cambridge, Huron Country Playhouse in Grand Bend, King's Wharf Theatre in Penetanguishene, and St. Jacobs Country Playhouse and the Schoolhouse Theatre in St. Jacobs.

After an extended 'intermission,' our doors are open once again with memorable music, entertaining stories, laughter, applause, and maybe even a few tears as we celebrate the long-awaited return. Hear from Director of Education, David Connolly, about this exciting reunion with our patrons as well as our newest endeavor - The Drayton Entertainment Youth Academy - a performing and technical arts training hub, rooted in belonging, aimed at creating generational change.





WALKING GROUP

Drynan Tract 1192 Dumfries Rd. North Dumfries

Monday January 16

Remember...every great adventure begins with just one step.



Masks are encouraged but not mandatory at this time for Probus Meetings and Groups. Disposable masks are available at the door at every meeting.



MYSTERY WOMAN

Our Mystery Woman
for January was
Marg Clarkson

Congratulations
Marg!



*Greeters will be Mary Oberle and
Sandra Watt*

Welcome our new Probiants



Here is the list of our new Probiants, in no particular order: Moira Ainsworth, Sandra Campbell, Irene Houtby, Trisha Lamb, Chandra Moti, Judith Naylor, Janet Walton, Jinnie Wilson, Carol Wry.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

It's that time of year again to start planning for foul weather. In the event that a Probus meeting is cancelled due to weather conditions, an email will be sent out to all Probiants on the membership list by **7:00 am the morning of the meeting.** If you do not have email, please ensure that you buddy up with someone who does.



Probian Profile

Stasia MacLeod

Stasia was born in the Netherlands and emigrated to Canada when she was two. She attended Riverside Public School and later Glenview High School. She married her high school sweetheart, Dennis and has lived in ten different cities and four provinces. Taking a fourteen year break to raise her daughter and son, she returned to the work force as a Optometric assistant/office manager.

After 27 years, the family returned to this area and faced great heartbreak when Dennis was diagnosed with Alzheimer's and passed away five years later. Being a caregiver for Dennis, her parents and babysitting her four grandchildren left little time for herself. Attending a Probus meeting as a guest of Josephine Fraser in 2011 changed all that. Since then, Probus has played an integral part of Stasia's life. She quickly captained a new euchre group and eventually became convener. She was a Membership Chairperson.

She is a volunteer with the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul for twenty years, enjoys travel, gardening and Josie her cat. She enjoys watching her grandchildren play hockey, figure skate and act comfortably on stage. On a sadder note , Stasia's son-in-law passed away last year to colon cancer.

Stasia's most proud accomplishment? "Keeping it all together."



PROBUS INTEREST GROUPS

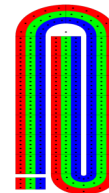
COMMITTEE

Book Club #1
Book Club #2
Book Exchange
Bowling
Bridge
Chamber Music
Cribbage
Euchre
Golf
Hiking/Walking
Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange
Learn to Play Bridge
Lunch Bunch
Purls Craft Group
Saturday Morning Breakfast Club
Sharps & Flats

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Ann Snyder
Helen Baker
Julia Boyd
Dot MacMillan
Marg Johnstone
Marg DeBrusk

CRIBBAGE



Cribbage group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at **Queen's Square Terrace** from 1:30-3:30. The next date is February 21st. All are welcome, any level of play. For more information please contact **Suzanne Cline-Armstrong** at scclinearmstrong@gmail.com

THINKING OF YOU CARDS



If you know of any of our Probians who are ill, in hospital, or in need of a card, please contact **Marg DeBrusk**

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

Final Submissions for March's newsletter is February 20th 2023.

* Women's' Probus Newsletters, Constitution, Bylaws and Policies & Procedures are posted on Aline Chan's website <https://www.alininspirations.com/probus-cambridge-riverside.html>