

## **PROBUS NEWS**

# Women's Probus Club of Cambridge Riverside

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Cancellation of full Probus Club Meetings in Person until further notice



#### Good day Ladies

Time marches on and here we are at the beginning of March. We are looking forward to warmer days filled with sunshine. Our spirits are lifted by the early signs of spring. After another year of restrictions, we are overjoyed to go out to see people and talk about topics that do not include the pandemic.

As of February 17th, Premier Ford has lifted some of the government restrictions. But these actions leave many unanswered questions. At the Management meeting, we have not made a commitment to set a date for our return to in-person meetings. There are too many 'ifs" and "whats" to be considered. We decided that when we do meet in-person, all members will be required to show their vaccination card before entering the hall. Also, we will continue with the mask mandate. Members will feel safer if all are wearing a mask. The health and well being of our members are our priorities. A decision to meet at the Portuguese Club in-person has not yet been made and we are waiting for the Transition Committee to give us their input in this matter. These are still unknown times with very little guidance.

But on the happy side, March is the month to celebrate spring with the return of the warm weather and the season of new birth. Also, we can not forget the Irish. It is a great time to be Irish and to drink green beer or a green cocktail. Top of the morn to all of you and please stay safe and healthy. See you at our next General meeting, March 9th at 9:30 on Zoom.

Yvonne Yersh

## **MANAGEMENT TEAM 2021-2022**

PresidentYvonne YershPresident ElectBarb FiddlerPast PresidentAlison SandersTreasurerSuzanne ClineSecretaryAline Chan

**Program** Lyn Pinnington/Jan Woynarski

MembershipAnne CherTravelLynda 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am

Next Meeting

March 9th

Zoom

(meeting ID & passcode will be emailed the day before)

# Probian Reflections

### LYNDA BERG

Although Wiarton Willy predicted six more weeks of winter, our internal clocks are delighting in the Longer Days and we are getting ready to come out of hibernation to have new experiences and enjoy different places, sights and sounds once again. Lynda Berg, our Management Committee's Travel Chair, and committee members Laura Davis Cook, Deb Swift, Pat Brunel, Jan Sparrow and Diane Houston, are itching to book new day trips and tours and share their love of travel and adventure with us. Before the Pandemic, our club was treated to exceptionally well-organized tours such as High tea at the Provincial Legislature, Aga Khan in Toronto, Carol King Story in Toronto, the Gananoque and Penitentiary tour and the trip to Boston and Salem. Lynda, herself, has travelled extensively throughout North America encompassing almost all the American

States and travelling across Canada. In addition, her international experiences are wide-ranging allowing her to share with us a depth of knowledge and stories. It will be nice when the buses are once again filled with the enthusiastic chatter and laughter of the adventurers from the Women's Probus Club of Cambridge Riverside.



# March's Guest Speaker

### JACKSON HUDECKI

Avian Awareness at Royal Botanical Gardens



They're everywhere! The 2,700 acres maintained by RBG is frequented by birds 365 days a year, and what better way to learn about these amazing creatures than to immerse ourselves in their ecology. **Jackson Hudecki** is RBG's Special Programs Coordinator and has been leading educational programs for the last decade for children, youth and adults alike. While he takes these groups to learn about, ID and observe birds, his colleagues take matters more seriously, studying and reporting on breeding pairs and Species At Risk on an annual basis. Jackson also volunteers with the Hamilton Naturalists' Club as their Bird Study Group Director and sits on the Bird Friendly Cities: Hamilton and Burlington coalition. You can also find him on Instagram @beaksandgeeks.

## New Inductee

#### **Rosemary Demarte**



Rosemary was a CSS Aide Perioperative Services at the Cambridge Memorial Hospital. Her hobbies are quilting, puzzles, walking & reading mystery books. She moved to Kitchener in the sixties from Norwich, Ontario.

### **Thinking of You Cards**



One 'Thinking of You' and one 'Bereavement' card was sent on behalf of the Probus Club. If you know of a Probus member in need of a card, please contact

Marg DeBrusk

# March Birthdays

Ann Bartlett Mae Mertens Patrice Wappler

Betty Bodrucky Irene Richardson Audrey Whetham

Elizabeth Golz Janice Sparrow Sue Whiteley

Doreen Jamieson Linda Stoltz

Joan Mcleod Moraig Waite

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



### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

# BARB CAMILLERI, NOREEN MIKELSONS, ANNE CHER, STASIA MACLEOD, EVELYN SULLIVAN

Please take some time to review your participation in our Club. Covid has been a continuous challenge and the Management Team has developed new digital skills to ensure that our Club continues.....and here's hoping we can meet in person soon.

There is a need for two positions to be filled on the Management Team for 2022-2023......

#### PRESIDENT ELECT

and

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIR

Duties of these positions can be researched in the Policies and Procedures ( available on line at www.alininspirations.com/Probus-CambridgeRiverside.html)

We welcome any inquiries or volunteers.

Contact any committee member or any of the Management Team.

## 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.

Final Submissions for April's newsletter is March 20<sup>th</sup> 2022.

<sup>\*</sup> These Interest Groups are currently meeting via Zoom or following provincial guidelines. Contact Committee Contact for more information.