



LAKE SIDE NEWS

Message from the President

August 2021



Welcome to August. I must admit I didn't mind the July weather at all. I don't like days to be too hot and our lawn has certainly benefited from all the rain. Plus The Blue Jays are back home and there are many other signs of things opening up.

But first, it is with a heavy heart that I write this as Euro 2020 glory was rudely taken away from my team on the vagaries of penalty kicks. I really thought England's 55 year wait for soccer glory was finally over but sadly it was not to be. Hope I don't have to wait for another 55 years!!

Then of course, no sooner was soccer over than the Olympics started. I originally thought they should have been canceled but now that they are here, I'm kinda enjoying them. Brings back memories of some of Canada's great sprinters plus who else remembers the '68 games in Mexico where Bob Beaman beat the long jump record by a whole 21 inches and seeing the Fosbury Flop for the first time?

Anyway, back to PROBUS. It's fantastic to see that our Social Committee has organized a couple of outdoor gatherings for August - a Ladies Let's Talk and a luncheon at Amici's. These are very much test events for us and so are limited capacity events. The luncheon is limited to 15 ladies and it filled up very quickly! A couple of points for these registrants: Please familiarize yourselves with the current guidelines for outside gatherings before you go - [you can click here to read them](#) . Secondly, there is already a waiting list for the luncheon so if you are registered and if for some reason you no longer want to or cannot participate, then please cancel your registration. This will enable the system to assign the next person in the waiting list to go in your place.

To wrap up, I'd like to wish everybody a happy Civic Day and being a curious soul, I decided to google Civic Day to see what it is about. I discovered this: "A public

holiday in Canada celebrated on the first Monday in August. ... The date is also celebrated as several municipal holidays in Ontario, such as Simcoe Day in Toronto, John Galt Day in Guelph, and Colonel By Day in Ottawa". So my closing question is, why doesn't Pickering have a special day?

Take care, [Peter](#)

Speakers Report



We have one more Zoom general meeting planned and so I have arranged an extra special speaker for this one. Judith Suke came to my attention through recommendations from many other PROBUS Clubs and she has an impressive resume: She is a Professor at Sheridan College in Oakville, the Past-President of the Hamilton Chapter of the Canadian Association of Professional Speakers and a member of The International Federation of Professional Speakers. She has earned many awards including, Mississauga "Woman of the Year", "District 60 Toastmaster of the Year" and the Ontario Certificate for Excellence in Human Resources.

Judy will be providing a humorous and informative talk entitled "Aging isn't for Sissies" (and ain't that the truth!).

My work gets much harder after this though as (hopefully) I have to go back to looking for speakers who live close enough to be able to attend in person. If anybody has any suggestions or requests, please let me know.

[Laura](#)

Membership Report

We want to welcome our newest members to PROBUS Pickering Lakeside - Bonnie C, Geoff C, Reid R, Patricia S, Donald W, Greg G, Cathy G. We hope to meet you in person in the very near future. Thank you for all the quick renewal responses these past months. To our newest members, be sure to check out our website and Facebook account for all the varied activities that we have run and are running. Of course to all members please periodically check our website for updated info on our club.

[Sharon](#)

The Social Scene

As Peter mentioned, we now have a social committee. Eight eager and qualified people have stepped up to the plate to make our club even more successful than it is now. They will bring us as much fun and entertainment as possible. They are already busy looking at tours, trips, BBQs, parties and much much more.

At this time, I would like to introduce our new **Social Team: Linda Black, Candice Blake, Pauline Field, Gail Gobeil, Virginia McKay, Jim McMinn, Valerie Rodrigues and myself.**

Our activities' success depends on your participation. We continually monitor attendance and your comments to see whether the activity is still viable. Some will continue, some will be on hiatus until the fall and some will disappear completely. As the Spice Girls would say "Tell me what you want, what you really really want"

Current activities:

Golf is at Spring Creek Golf Club August 5th, at 10. There are still lots of spots available.

Our Not a Book Club offers you the opportunity to share some of the books you have read recently. Our next meeting will be August 10 at 1. If nothing else, a few days later, you will receive a list of new reads.



Golden Globe and Academy Award winning Movie - All the Money in the World will be featured August 9th at 2 for our **Movie** buffs. Paula MacDonald will lead us in a discussion for this thriller/crime movie. You can catch the movie on Netflix, Prime and YouTube.

Lakeside Ladies Lunch will be testing the waters to see who is willing to go out for lunch. This event will take place August 11 at noon on the patio at Amici's Restaurant. If there is interest, we will try it again in September.



Lakeside Ladies Let's Chat will try something new this month too! We will be meeting outdoors at the Alex Robertson Park (foot of Sandy Beach Road) at 11. Bring your own chair, drinks and food. We will enjoy the morning under the trees at this lovely park.



Peter Green's Kilimanjaro presentation to "**Our Durham**" was such a success that he will be back in September to share a new adventure. In the meantime, Janie Givens, another member of our talented group will be sharing some of her adventures while volunteering at the Metro Zoo. You are welcome to ask your grandchildren to join you for this fun pact night. The children are welcome to ask

questions too! You can catch Janie August 24th at 7 on our zoom link.

Friday August 25th have two events - The **Technology** group will feature Google Photos at 10 and our lively **Cocktail Hour** will be at 5. I hope to see you at both.

Some of our activities are taking August off as many of our members will be busy enjoying the last full month of our beautiful summer weather. Lots of things coming up on the calendar for September - see you then.

[Lynne](#)

Listing of Events by date:

[Golf at Spring Creek Golf Club](#)

5 Aug 2021 10:00 AM - 2425 Concession Road, Claremont

[Movies](#)

9 Aug 2021 2:00 PM - Online Zoom meeting

[Euchre](#)

9 Aug 2021 7:30 PM - Zoom/Trickstercards

[Not a Book Club](#)

10 Aug 2021 1:00 PM - Online Zoom meeting

[Lakeside Ladies Return to Lunch](#)

11 Aug 2021 12:00 PM - Amici Restaurant, Liverpool Rd North of 401

[Lakeside Ladies Let's Talk](#)

12 Aug 2021 11:00 AM - Alex Robertson Park, Sandy Beach Road

[August Monthly Meeting](#)

18 Aug 2021 10:00 AM - Zoom

[Golf at Spring Creek Golf Club](#)

19 Aug 2021 10:00 AM - 2425 Concession Road, Claremont

[Our Durham- The Toronto Zoo](#)

24 Aug 2021 7:00 PM - Online Zoom meeting

[Technology - Google Photos](#)

27 Aug 2021 10:00 AM - Zoom

[Lakeside Cocktail Hour](#)

27 Aug 2021 5:00 PM - Zoom

Ask a Techie



When online, we are constantly asked if we want to save our information "to the cloud". What exactly is the cloud and why would we choose to use it? [Click here:](#)

We are always looking for new questions to research. Don't forget to send your questions to pplc.webmaster@gmail.com and we will try to find an answer for you.

[Elaine](#)

Facebook Report



We are growing. We now have 115 members on our Facebook page.

Don't forget that this Facebook group is for all members to share.

If you would like to join our members only Facebook Group, you can join here: [PROBUS Pickering Lakeside | Facebook](#)

[Valerie](#)

Witty definitions:

Committee: Individuals who can do nothing individually and sit to decide that nothing can be done together

Diplomat: A person who tells you where to go in such a way that you look forward to the journey

Irony: Drawing trees on paper

Criminal: A person no different from any other, unless they get caught

Marriage: An agreement wherein a man loses his bachelor degree and a woman gets her masters

Divorce: Future tense of marriage

Pets: The only members of your family you actually like

Cell Phone: A device used for looking less alone while in public places by yourself

Web MD: Something that makes a mild cold into a deadly disease that will kill you with in the next 24 hours

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