



## WELCOME TO SEPTEMBER



As we bid a sad farewell to a fabulous summer, we welcome September, the first month of the autumn season, with fall officially arriving on September 23. Hopefully we still have a few more weeks of good weather ahead, even as we see the first leaves falling and all signs pointing to another winter to come. But fall is such a joyous season with Labour Day on September 2, the start of a new school year, Grandparents' Day on September 8, and an abundance of harvest crops appearing for our culinary delight. Sadly though, we must always remember 9/11 that took place on September 11, 2001 and forever changed our world, but enjoy this glorious month, even as the days get shorter and the temperatures get cooler. As this quote so aptly puts it, "and then the sun took a step back, the leaves lulled themselves to sleep and autumn was awaked".

## HELLO FROM THE PRESIDENT



Well, we are almost 9 months old and our club membership is now at 184 and growing almost daily. People join PROBUS for a number of reasons, and we have an amazing reputation for activities, trips and guest speakers at our meetings. The annual BBQ this week, with our sister Pickering club, was a very successful event. We had great weather, a lovely location at WindReach Farm, and great food. Eileen Higdon ran a scavenger hunt and the winners were Glenda Roberts and Lynda-Lee Harding. There are lots of activities restarting in September and your best bet is to check out our website [probuspickeringlakeside.ca](http://probuspickeringlakeside.ca) for all the details. I hope you have a great fall and I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting on September 18 at the Chestnut Hill Developments Recreation Complex (formerly the Pickering Recreation Center).

I would like to say a big welcome to our newest members, which now brings the total to 184:

**Maggie A, Sandra S, Angela T, Jyoti S, Peter L, Ralph S, Laura C, Brenda M, Irene C, Donna P, Kevin P.**

Fran Sancroft, President, PROBUS Pickering Lakeside

## NEXT MEETING



This month, we are back at the East Salon, Chestnut Hill Developments Recreation Complex (formerly Pickering Rec Centre) on Wednesday, September 18 at 10 a.m. [Please RSVP here if you plan to attend.](#) The guest speaker will be Joseph Sharon who has a Bachelor's Degree from the Academy for Music and Dance in Jerusalem, Israel and he has also studied music and musical history in Milan, Italy and Switzerland. His presentation will be on the **Strauss Family from Vienna.** In Vienna in 1848 the Austro-Hungarian Empire is in political turmoil but the music, the Viennese lifeblood, has never been more cheerful. We'll meet the Strauss Family

which dominates the light music scene, and also get to know some of its juicy stories and scandals.



## SNAPSHOTS IN HISTORY

Some historical trivia for you to ponder that happened on September 18, the day of our next meeting:

- 1851 - New York Times starts publishing at 2 cents per copy.
- 1885 - Riots break out in Montreal to protest against mandatory smallpox vaccinations.
- 1932 - Actress Peg Entwistle commits suicide by jumping from the letter "H" in the Hollywood sign.
- 1947 - The CIA officially comes into existence, after being established by President Truman in July.
- 1965 - "I Dream of Jeannie" premieres on NBC.
- 1969 - Tiny Tim and Miss Vicky get engaged.
- 2014 - Scotland votes to stay a member of the UK in an independence referendum.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to club members whose birthday is in the month of September.



Your birth flower is the **Aster** or **Morning Glory**. This flower symbolizes love, faith, wisdom and valor.

Your birthstone is **Sapphire**, which is a symbol of wisdom, virtue and good fortune. It is also known for its energy and healing properties.

## VOLUNTEERS

Please [contact Gail Perks](#) to get involved, or [Linda Black](#) if you would like to host a craft session. Please let Gail know if you have suggestions for any other interest groups as we are always looking for new and fun ideas. Many thanks to [Dorothy Edwards](#) for volunteering to convene the second book club.

She will take names from the waitlist to get it up and running as soon as possible as these smaller activity groups are the best way to meet and make new friends with similar interests. She will soon be in touch with these lucky bookworms with full details.



## FUN AND GAMES

Here are some of the exciting excursions we have planned, and you can find all the details and sign up on [our website](#):

Thursday, September 12 - [Kingston Pen/Lunch on 1000 Islands Cruise](#) - \$149 (wait list only)  
Saturday, September 14 - [Blue Jays Game](#) - NY Yankees - \$85 (ticket only)  
Monday, September 30 - [Muskoka Steamship & Cranberry Farm Tour](#) - \$135 - **SOLD OUT**  
Sunday, October 6 - [Niagara-on-the-Lake with optional Brigadoon Show](#) - \$105 w/o show  
- \$160 with show - **SOLD OUT**  
Wednesday, October 30 - [Haunted Toronto Walk & Tour](#) - Cost \$140  
Tuesday, November 26 - [Niagara Festival of Lights Tour](#) - \$112.50

Last month's "Tastes around the World" was held on August 27 at The Royal Ashburn Golf Club. Unfortunately, the weather didn't cooperate for golf but the venue and the food at the Butler's Pub and Grill were excellent. Euchre is now up and running and will be held at Chartwell on Valley Farm on the second Tuesday of each month at 2 p.m. Click here for complete details on upcoming activities and contact info on all the [interest/activity groups](#).

Arts and Crafts - [Linda Black](#)  
Billiards - [Don Voorhees](#) (Probus Pickering)  
Books - [Susan Woodward](#)  
Bridge - [Peter Green](#)  
Cribbage - [Susan Maste](#)  
Discover Toronto - [Sharon Fenn](#)  
Euchre - [Nancy Agostino](#)  
Genealogy - [Gail Perks](#)  
Gardening - [Vicki Scheeler](#)  
Golf - [Jim Hare](#) (Probus Pickering)  
Hiking - [Eileen Higdon](#) and [Linda Borg](#)  
Movies - [Fran Sancroft](#)  
RODEO (Retired Old Dames Eating Out) - [Cynthia Falla](#)  
Tastes around the World - [Sharon Fenn](#) and [Sharon Marshall](#)  
Wine Tasting - Hosted on a rotating basis - volunteer needed



## TECHY STUFF

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## TIP OF THE MONTH



Chopping boards get a lot of use, from joints of meat and fillets of fish, to cutting up fruit and vegetables but lemons are great for lifting stains from chopping boards, as well as removing any smells. Still not shifting? Sprinkle with baking soda and repeat.

## IN THE NEWS



On August 26, the Pickering Recreation Complex was changed to Chestnut Hill Developments Recreation Complex with an official renaming ceremony to mark the occasion. The naming rights program is an effective way to increase revenue while easing pressure on tax dollars, and it will help fund upcoming renovations to the 37-year-old recreation complex, including new service counters, change rooms and exterior main entrance. The renaming of the complex was celebrated with free activities offered to residents, including afternoon and evening swims, and evening fitness classes.

## BUZZ WORD

The September Buzz word is "**Senescent**", meaning growing old, but PROBUS members stay forever young by having so much fun!

## MEMBERS' CORNER



If you have any suggestions on how to make PROBUS Pickering Lakeside better, please submit them to [Vicki Samson](#) as we are always open to receiving feedback on ways to improve our club. We would also like to receive short poems or tidbits of interest from members to include in the monthly Buzz.

## LAST LAUGHS

