



# Lakeside Buzz



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## HELLO FROM THE PRESIDENT (Jim McMinn)



Hello from PROBUS Pickering Lakeside. Trusting you are doing well during this difficult and challenging time in our lives. Unfortunately, predictions are this could go on for months so we definitely don't want to lose touch and will continue to also update our website so that you can stay in communication via the Discussion board. Unfortunately, I received notice that the Chestnut Hill Developments Rec Complex and all City of Pickering activities are officially closed through to July 1. Although these are trying times, Vicki, our Newsletter Editor, has provided a few little jokes and information that will hopefully bring a chuckle and smile to your face. Look for something positive every day, even if some days you have to look a little harder. All the very best and I hope to see you in the near future.

## HELLO FROM THE SECRETARY AND NEWSLETTER EDITOR (Vicki Samson)



This is my first "Hello" as the Buzz is short this month and Jim doesn't have as much to say(lol) but the management team decided to keep it going in a shorter, condensed version, at least for May, just to stay connected. We're all going through extremely uncharted and difficult times right now, but I feel we're doing the best we can and adjusting to our new (temporary) normal. One of the greatest things about technology, especially because as Lakeside members we're all techno savvy(lol), is that we can keep in touch with our friends and family via various video platforms, although we may not be recognized after lazing around in our PJs for so long and mostly not bothering to make ourselves look respectable! Our closets filled with clothes are sitting idle and I hear that many of us are binge eating and dreading going back into regular apparel, so every few days try on your jeans just to make sure they fit, as pajamas will have you believe that all is well in the kingdom! This wake-up call may be all you need to kick start your diet and get ready for summer!

So folks, please feel free to start a new [discussion](#) or respond to an existing one as it's important we make the effort to keep connected in any way possible until we can return to our exciting monthly meetings, activities and social events and meet our friends in person. It will be such a great feeling to give someone a hug or a handshake again without fear, and I'm sure we will all appreciate these gestures even more when this pandemic is over. In the meantime, I urge you to keep your distance, don't go out unless absolutely necessary, keep exercising, eat healthy, sleep well, take your vitamins, think positive, keep busy, keep up your morale and stay in touch with your loved ones so that we can win this fight. Please also reach out to anyone you know who is living alone and may just need to chat as it could mean the world to them. In the meantime, we hope you enjoy this short version of the Buzz and that it will bring you some much-needed laughter and entertainment as we keep Lakeside alive.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the U.S. Treasury.
- In the 1400's a law was set forth in England that a man was allowed to beat his wife with a stick no thicker than his thumb. Hence we have 'the rule of thumb'
- Coca-Cola was originally green.
- Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.
- The first novel ever written on a typewriter was "Tom Sawyer".
- $111,111,111 \times 111,111,111 = 12,345,678,987,654,321$



## APHORISMS

- No one ever says it's only a game when their team is winning.
- Life isn't tied with a bow yet it is a gift.
- Be careful about reading the fine print. There's no way you're going to like it.
- Why is it that at class reunions you feel younger than everyone else looks?
- The nicest thing about the future is that it always starts right away.
- I've reached the age where 'happy hour' is a nap.

## QUIPS & QUOTES

- "I miss the days when we were terrified of Romaine lettuce".
- "I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon then it's time for my nap" (Bob Hope).
- "Don't worry about temptation. As you grow older it will avoid you" (Winston Churchill).
- "Camping: where you spend a fortune to live like a homeless person".
- "Until I was 13 I thought my name was 'shut up'" (Joe Namath).
- "Back in my day, the only time we started panic buying was when the bartender yelled 'last call'".
- "I need to practice social distancing from the refrigerator".

## LAST LAUGHS

