

# Message from the President

# September 2021

Phew, well that was a hot one! August is finally done and dusted and was quite a contrast to the mild wet July wasn't it? I personally am glad it's over and am looking forward to September with cooler temperatures and some Fall colours starting to show.

Kudos to our Social Committee as we are seeing more and more in-person activities being organized. Keep up the good work guys!.

Laura and I attended the 1st Patio Dinner with 28 other members and it was great to get out again. We met a lot of members in person for the first time in many many months and we hope to see many more of you at the BBQ on the 15th. I'm especially looking forward to playing some games at the Park; I wonder if they will include a limbo dance contest?

A few comments about these outdoor or in-person events though. Firstly they almost all have limits about how many people can attend and hence have "waitlists" as well. So if you register and then discover you can't attend for whatever reason, please cancel your registration so that your spot can be assigned to the next person on the waitlist. If you do not know how to cancel a registration feel free to email either Elaine or myself and we will gladly help. Secondly, some of these events require up-front payment so just as a reminder that we would greatly appreciate it if you could pay online when you register. This makes it so much easier for us but if you can't pay by Credit Card then please contact Peter Davidson our Treasurer who will help you however he can. Thirdly, dust off and always wear your name badge; and fourthly (is that even a word?) please remember that participation is limited only to members who are fully vaccinated and to be responsible and follow whatever COVID precautions (including mask wearing and social distancing) are in place. I find it very confusing as to what exactly are the rules these days so all I can add is if in doubt let common sense and respect for your fellow members guide you.

At this point in time, we are not sure of what format our October meeting will take, in-person or Zoom. We are trying to book an indoor facility but it is complicated due to the Rec Centre renovations. We are told that it will likely be the Spring before we can consider using the Rec Centre salons again so we are working with the City on some other rooms such as the Don Beer arena or the George Ashe Library. Hopefully we will have more information about this in a couple of weeks.

Finally, Labour Day is coming up and I hope for our grandkids sake this also means schools will be open again. Did you know that: "Labour Day in Canada is celebrated on the first Monday of September. It originally gave workers the chance to campaign for better working conditions or pay". So in the true spirit of Labour day, I hereby triple my salary and double the salaries of the rest of the Management Team  $\odot$ .

Take care, Peter

## PPL Annual BBQ



No speaker is scheduled for September as we will be holding our Lakeside Annual BBQ on Wednesday, 15 September at Alex Robertson Park on Sandy Beach Road from 11:30am to 3:00 pm. Bring your own chair and be ready to participate in a wonderful day of fun and fellowship.

Note: We will be collecting items for the local Food Bank. If you would like to contribute, just bring your items and place it in the food box that will be set up.

# Membership Report

Again thank you to all those who renew early. We are encouraged that you choose to stay with PPL. We have had inquiries about membership, and yes, we are still taking new members to the club. However at this time we are only accepting Pickering residents as members. If you have a friend who lives outside of Pickering, we can put them on a waitlist and will contact them when an opening comes up.

To those members who have not received their badge since the shutdown, if you are attending the BBQ please see a Management Team member and they will direct you to where the badges are for distribution.

### <u>Sharon</u>

### The Social Scene

I looked up the meaning of Social Scene - it is a scene occupied by humans. In these scenes, humans frequently interact with each other while sending visible signals, such as facial expressions and body movements. Isn't that the definition of what we do when we get cut off on the road?

Oh well, we have lots of time to enjoy our Lakeside social scene this month. Most activities will be outside. Below there is a list of events by date. Instead of repeating the information I thought I would ramble on about other things...

You can walk, you can golf, you can talk or you can just sit down and enjoy the company of other members.

As Peter mentioned, our BBQ is the big event of the month. If you haven't registered yet, please do so soon. It should be a great time to mingle and watch Peter attempt the limbo dance if it is offered. (Val, I have a broom handle if you need one!)

Food, food, food - The Ladies Lakeside Lunch registration fills up within days of being posted. The dinner reservations seem to take a little longer. In September, we would like to add a breakfast option as well. Details will follow on our website as soon as everything is arranged. Remember numbers on any of these events is based on the restaurant's limitations.

In August, Our Durham presented Janie Givens at the Toronto Zoo and it was very entertaining. It has given us some options for visiting the Zoo including "Terra Lumina", an enchanted 1.5 km night walk that will take us into the future and back.

Walk on the wild side? Well maybe not quite but a tour of downtown Toronto along with an excellent lunch will be forthcoming.

Wine country anyone? Georgian Bay Cruise? Both are listed on our website as bus tours.

I am running out of room but would be remiss if I didn't mention the planning the Social Committee has been doing for our Christmas Party. Yes, if all goes well with the government restrictions, we will be having a Christmas Party. Barring unforeseen circumstances, Wednesday December 8th will be the day, so circle it on your calendar.

Lynne

# Listing of Events by date:

## Golf at Spring Creek Golf Club

Thursday, 2 Sep 2021 10:00 AM 2425 Concession Road, Claremont

### Lakeside Ladies Luncheon

Wednesday, 8 Sep 2021 12:00 PM Amici Restaurant, Liverpool Rd North of 401

### Lakeside Ladies Let's Talk - outdoors

Thursday, 9 Sep 2021 11:00 AM Alex Robertson Park, Sandy Beach Road

#### Movies

Monday, 13 Sep 2021 2:00 PM Online Zoom meeting

#### Not a Book Club

Tuesday, 14 Sep 2021 1:00 PM Online Zoom meeting

#### Annual BBQ

Wednesday, 15 Sep 2021 11:30 AM Alex Robertson Park, Sandy Beach Road, Pickering

#### Picton Wine Tour

Thursday, 16 Sep 2021 8:45 AM Prince Edward County

## Golf at Spring Creek Golf Club

Thursday, 16 Sep 2021 10:00 AM 2425 Concession Road, Claremont

## Ask a Techie



When you see an activity posted on the website, do you ever wonder how to get on the mailing list? <u>Click here to find out how</u>.

We are always looking for new questions to research. Don't forget to send your questions to <a href="mailto:pplc.webmaster@gmail.com">pplc.webmaster@gmail.com</a> and we will try to find an

answer for you.

### Elaine

# Facebook Report



We are growing. We now have 116 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: <u>PROBUS Pickering Lakeside | Facebook</u>

#### Valerie

### Truisms:

I thought the dryer made my clothes shrink. Turns out it was the refrigerator.

A committee is a group that keeps minutes and loses hours.

Camping: where you spend a small fortune to live like a homeless person.

Just once, I want a username and password prompt to say: "close enough".

I'm a multi-tasker. I can listen, ignore and forget all at the same time.

A diplomat is a man who always remembers a woman's birthday but never remembers her age.

I'd grow my own food if only I could find bacon seeds.

A rumor without a leg to stand on will get around some other way.

Losing weight doesn't seem to be working for me, so from now on I'm going to concentrate on getting taller.

Common sense is not a gift. It's a punishment because you have to deal with everyone who doesn't have it.

A lost property office is for people to return things they find and don't want.

A person's character is only half formed till after marriage.

A pessimist is one who feels bad when he feels good, because he's afraid he'll feel worse when he feels better.

A verbal contract is not worth the paper it is written on.

Age is a high price to pay for maturity.

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