

The PROBUS Pilot

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THE PREZ SEZ:

In case you haven't noticed, Probus club members are a bunch of older people.

There are three elements to slowing down that aging process: physical fitness and exercise; mental stimulation and social interaction.

At Probus, while we can't help with your walking program, we do provide stimulating speakers and dialogue and a number of social programs with the opportunity to meet other seniors.

All that is a good excuse to renew your membership – the deadline is approaching.

As always check out our web site at www.probuswesternottawa.ca .

Respectfully, Peter van Boeschoten, President

This month's meeting: Tues., Nov. 13

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

Four new members have just joined our club. Please welcome......
Barbara & John Todd; Diane Hunter-Trafford; Jean Eng and Bob Horsey.



GUEST SPEAKER THIS MONTH: RONALD I. COHEN

His topic: Churchill: "a man to remember on a day to remember."

RONALD I. COHEN, one of the three cofounders of the Sir Winston Churchill Society of Ottawa, attended Sir Winston Churchill's funeral in January, 1965, not by invitation, but by standing with the crowds in Parliament Square as the funeral procession made its way up Whitehall and thence to St. Paul's Cathedral.

That interest grew into a collection of Churchill's writings and ultimately to Cohen's authorship 40 years later of the definitive Bibliography of the Writings of Sir Winston Churchill (3 vols., London and New York: Continuum, 2006).

In addition, Mr. Cohen has published many articles over nearly 20 years in Finest Hour, the quarterly publication of The Churchill Centre (Chicago) and he speaks regularly on aspects of Churchill's life to organizations and societies in Canada and the United States

He is also a recognized expert in broadcast standards and self-regulatory procedures, having spent nearly 19 years as National Chair of the Canadian Broadcast Standards Council. He was also a film producer, the founding Chairman of the Academy of Canadian Cinema and Television, and Senior Counsel to the Quebec Inquiry into Organized Crime (la CECO) in the 1970s. A native of Montreal, Mr. Cohen holds an A.B. (cum laude) (Harvard) and a B.C.L. (McGill) and is now a Senior Fellow of the Faculty of Public Affairs at Carleton University.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Tuesday, December 11th
"Empowered youth become tomorrow's role
models"
Dr. Janet Biggar

Tuesday, January 8th "Women in Islam"
Dr. Aisha Sherazi

UPCOMING FUN ACTIVITIES

Thursday, November 15

Join the 'Lunch Out' Group at the PacoPazo Restaurant in Stittsville.....a self-described 'Crazy Little Italian Eatery', it's at 6081 Hazeldean Road right near Giant Tiger and the LCBO.

Sunday, December 2:

Come and enjoy the Orpheus Musical Theatre Production of "*Footloose*" at Centrepointe at 2:00pm...... \$37 for orchestra seats or \$31 balcony seating.

Payment must be received in advance so that we can purchase tickets.....so please bring along your cheque book to this month's meeting if you are interested in attending this event.

Thursday, December 13:

Take a tour of Algonquin College followed by lunch at the Algonquin College Restaurant.

(Sign-up sheets will be available at this month's meeting.)

Be sure to check out our club's new web site......

Now that our club has its own web site, be sure to take advantage of it from time to time to keep you up to date on speakers, activities and, of course, club news in general.

It can be found at:

www.probuswesternottawa.ca

Magic will be a feature attraction at Spring Fling 2013!

Block your calendars now for Tuesday, May 7. That's the day our club will be hosting Probus Spring Fling 2013 in Ottawa. Let's all get behind it!!

......And once again we're off to **Scores Rotisserie and Ribs** at the Kanata
Centrum after this month's meeting.
Why not come along and join us at **Scores** after the meeting for great food and stimulating conversation.

Do you like to play Euchre or Bridge? ...or would you like to learn to play? Probus Club members host a Euchre and Bridge group on the first Friday of each month at 1 p.m. at Bell's Corners United Church.

The group will have met this month on Nov. 2 and will meet again next month on Friday, Dec. 7.



It's fun and open to all - - - beginners to expert. For more information please contact Pat Stoate at 613-820-0174.

Do you know something that you feel would be of interest to our membership?

For instance, if you know someone we should congratulate or with whom we should sympathize, please contact Maggie Sheehan (613-825-4035), who will take appropriate action on behalf of the Club.

Got a good idea for a guest speaker?

Please contact Zdenek Kvarda (613-592-2921) or another member of the Program Committee.

Know of a great social outing? Please contact Isabel Balon (613-831-0057) or another member of the Social Committee.



The Chuckle Corner

- ~Your kids are becoming you.....but your grandchildren are perfect!
- ~Going out is good.....coming home is better.
- ~You forget names.... But that's OK because other people forgot they even knew you.
- ~You realize you're never going to be really good at anything.... especially golf.
- ~The things you used to care to do, you no longer care to do, but you really do care that you don't care to do them anymore.
- ~You sleep better on a lounge chair with the TV blaring than in bed. It's called "pre-sleep".
- ~You miss the days when everything worked with just an "ON" and "OFF" switch.
- ~You tend to use 4 letter words more often...."What?"..."When?"
- ~What used to be freckles are now liver spots.
- ~Everybody whispers.
- ~You have 3 sizes of clothes in your closet.... 2 of which you will never wear.

The PROBUS Club of Western Ottawa meets on the second Tuesday of each month, September through June, at the Kanata United Church, 33 Leacock Drive in Kanata.

- 10:00: coffee and social time
- 10:30: VERY brief business meeting
- 10:45: speaker
- Following each meeting members and guests are invited to gather for lunch (at their own expense) at Scores Rotisserie and Ribs in the Kanata Centrum complex.

IN MEMORIAM

We mourn the loss of Jean Kerr, a dedicated member of our Probus Club. Jean died October 6 after a short illness and surgery. She and her husband Doug joined our Probus Club in 2006. A former teacher and musician, Jean was a lively participant in PROBUS activities and outings, as well as in her church and choirs. Her presence at our meetings and events will be missed.

VISITORS WILL ALWAYS RECEIVE A WARM WELCOME.

Margaret Kvarda would appreciate hearing from volunteers who would be willing to be a greeter on a given month of their choice. It's fun and it's a great way to meet people. If interested, please call Margaret at 613-592-2921 or speak to her directly at the next meeting.

In a similar vein, let's all watch for visitors (red name tag) who seem to be on their own by introducing yourself and making them feel at home.

How do I find you to get this warm welcome?

Exit Highway 417 at Eagleson/March Road. Just north of the exit take Campeau Drive west. At the first light turn right (north) onto Teron Road. At the first light, turn left (west) onto The Parkway. At the first (and only) stop sign, turn right onto Leacock Way. Follow Leacock Way to its end at Leacock Drive. Kanata United Church is in front of you, across the street. PARKING at the church is limited. If full, please park in the large lot of the school next to the church or on the side of Leacock Drive where parking is permitted.

In fact, unless you have difficulty walking, please consider parking away from the front of the building in order to allow those who may be physically restricted easier access and exit. Thank you for your consideration.