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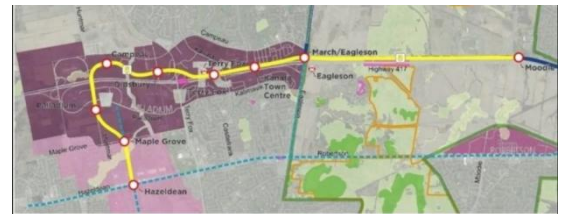
LRT Discussion

Gary Sealey, a hard working community activist, will be moderating a panel of knowledgeable Ottawa citizens who have studied the city's design for the future western extension of the LRT.

This discussion will highlight plans and explore alternatives to the western route of the LRT.

Experts in community association action, rail, and public mobilization are drawn from community action, urban development, and railway enterprise. They will point to goals, planned benefits and concerns and they hope to spark discussion with Probus members on possible solutions. The intent is an interactive approach on the Kanata/Stittsville-Ottawa rapid link. Participants will take away a rich set of facts and topical opinions for their use. The presentation agenda consists of...

- 5 minute Introduction of theme and
- 15 minutes total of three brief expert and policy presentations
- 10 minutes distributed questionnaire on uses and alternatives for rapid links
- 5 minutes for presentation of questionnaire
- 10 minutes plenary interactive discussion and questions.

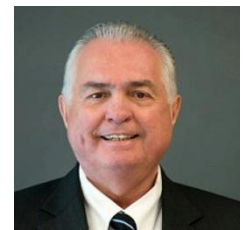


Gary Sealey

The new Prez Sez

Welcome back, members, guests and visitors

My name is Mark Darroch, and I look forward to being your President, starting September 11, 2018. This is an exciting year for Probus Western Ottawa - we will be celebrating our 20th anniversary. I would like to sincerely acknowledge all our past presidents, executive members and volunteers – thank you all. It's because of your leadership and dedication to our Probus Club that we are successful to-day. Also, a very special thank you is due our new executive members and volunteers.



To our valued and respected members - you truly are the “heart beat” of our club - your ongoing support and encouragement means so much to us all. We would like to encourage those of you who are willing to come forward and volunteer as a “greeter”, or as a helper with set-up and take down of chairs and tables.

Our membership is growing and nearing 200 members. This is why we will be inviting you to another “Meet & Greet”. Let's get to know each other in a personal and friendly way.

Let's all remember: the primary purpose of a Probus Club is to provide meetings and fellowship for retired and semi-retired persons, who value opportunities to meet with others of similar interest, enjoy hearing addresses by guest speakers on topical subjects, and visiting places and organizations of specific appeal to our members.

I look forward to learning, listening and meeting new friends and, most importantly, having fun times.

Respectfully, Mark Darroch, President



Jabulani Vineyard Tour - Friday, Sept. 14.

This is the last notice for the winery tour. Sixteen places have been reserved and paid for. The address is 8005 Jock Trail, Richmond. The easiest way to go is to take Hwy 7 to the Dwyer Hill Rd. Go south and eventually you will find the Jock Trail on your left. It is impossible to miss the winery. The tour will begin at exactly 11:00 a.m. If you wish to go and have not signed up it **may** be possible to add a few people. Contact Marg Demers at 613-435-7490 or social@probuswesternottawa.ca

The Probus Club of Western Ottawa is part of the international organization of Probus Clubs designed to serve retired and semi-retired professional, business and like-minded people. The morning begins at 10:00 am with a time for coffee and socialization followed by a guest speaker at 10:30 am.

Western Ottawa Probus meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Kanata United Church, 33 Leacock Dr. **Visitors are welcome.**

Management Board for 2018-2019

President:	Mark Darroch
Vice President:	Marg Demers
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Probus has a web site

Our club has a web site to keep you up to date on speakers, activities, photos, our organization and other information. It can be found at:

www.probuswesternottawa.ca

Make sure that you bookmark this location so that you don't have to keep typing it in.

After the meeting

Join us for lunch

Often our speaker will join us.

This month we will be at:

The Brew Table

NW corner of Robertson and Moodie

Social Activities Coordinator(s) Still Needed

Outings and visits are some of the most popular activities of our Probus club. We are still searching for one or two members to organize the Trips and Travel for 2018-2019. I have ideas for most of the months and will help behind the scenes but I need someone to take over the announcements, registrations and final planning. If you are interested, please get in touch with me (Marg Demers) at 613-435-7490 or at social@probuswesternottawa.ca.

Fees Due This Month

NOTE: Change of Fee Structure

Annual membership fees are due in September. They remain at \$20 for those receiving the newsletter by email, but increase this year to \$30 for those members who receive the Probus newsletter through the postal service. This is due to the increased costs of printing and mailing.

Membership count in June -197

Join us for an upcoming lunch-out.



Noon, Wednesday, September 19

Address: 375 Queen Elizabeth Dr. (at 5th Ave)

Phone: 613-238-8998

Cuisine: Italian

Website: canalritz.com

Sign up at the September meeting.



Noon, Thursday, October 18

Address: 2364 Roger Stevens Dr, North Gower

Phone: 613-489-2278

Cuisine: Country Pub – varied menu

Website: marlboroughpub.com

Sign up at the September or October meetings.

PROBUS CLUB OF WESTERN OTTAWA	
Financial Summary	
for Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 2018	
Bank Balance as of August 31, 2017	\$3,598.57
Income	
Membership Fees	\$3,880.00
Name Badges	\$240.00
Euchre	\$106.50
Overage Lunch ETC.	\$239.44
Total Income	\$4,465.94
TOTAL	\$8,064.51
Expenses	
Donations in Lieu of Hall Rental	\$1,150.00
Web Hosting	\$209.05
Citizen Ads	\$83.62
President Outing	\$178.75
Name Badges	\$347.60
Insurance & Probus Canada	\$734.00
Speaker Lunches & Honoraria	\$841.10
Office Supplies	\$408.22
Coffee / Snacks	\$315.84
Misc. Events	\$439.65
KUC Exec Rental	\$231.00
KUC Rental for Fall Months	\$594.00
Total Expenditures	\$5,532.83
Total Funds to carry over to 2018--2019	\$2,531.68

Quote of the Month

“We are all here on earth to help others; what on earth the others are here for I don't know.”

- W.H. Auden

Kanata Expo 55+

Friday, Sept. 14, 1-3:30 PM

Kanata Seniors Centre,
2500 Campeau Drive

Meet the community agencies that serve older adults.

Volunteers Sought for Research on Brain Training

The Neuropsychology Laboratory at the University of Ottawa is recruiting participants **aged 60 or older** to take part in research on brain training and its influences on health, as well as memory, attention, and other mental processes.

Part of this research involves visiting our laboratory at the University of Ottawa campus and participating in weekly, at-home, computer game sessions. All our testing is non-invasive.

Many people find the experience interesting and educational! Any Probus Club of Western Ottawa members interested in participating can get further information by emailing

neuropsychologylab.nict@uottawa.ca or by calling

(613) 562-5800, extension 8757.



Did You Know

PROBUS in Canada was started in 1987, has over 240 active clubs and 36,500 members. It is an organization that provides social, physical and mental stimulus to retirees. Probus Western Ottawa is part of Probus Ontario Division 1, which covers 21 clubs from Port Hope east. The Probus Canada website is www.probus.org.

Our amazing lineup of fall speakers

Here are the planned speakers for this fall (subject to change). If you have any suggestions for future speakers, please pass them on to Beth Sweetnam at program@probuswesternottawa.ca

September 11:

Gary Sealey, Federation of Citizens Association: A panel of knowledgeable citizens will discuss **"The Proposed Route of the LRT to Kanata including Some Alternatives"**

October 9:

Alan Symons, leading authority on Canadian clocks and curator of the Canadian Clock Museum: **"Two Centuries of Canadian clocks"**

November 13:

Brian Tackaberry, retired teacher, genealogist and history buff: **"The Lost Generation: Eastern Ontario During World War I"**

December 11:

Val Knowles, Ottawa historian: **"Well Known Ottawa Personalities from the Past"**



Probus has an active euchre group. The group meets monthly at the Bells Corners United Church, 3955 Old Richmond Road (at Moodie). Meetings are usually held on the first Friday of the month.

This is mostly a casual and social occasion, starting at 12:30 pm for refreshments and conversation followed by cards at 1 pm.

Following are the dates for our upcoming meetings:

Friday, 7 September

Friday, 5 October

Friday, 2 November

Friday, 7 December

(Note that the December meeting is a Christmas potluck starting at 11:30)

For further information call Pat Stoate at 613-820-0174.

June 12 End-of- Year Catered Luncheon at Kanata United



Chuckle Corner

A Police Officer came to my house and asked me where I was between 5 & 6. He seemed irritated when I answered: "Kindergarten"

July 3 Canal Cruise

36 members travelled through the locks to Merrickville. The captain was knowledgeable, the lunch was excellent and the scenery interesting as we saw the architecture and gardening completed in the back yards of many houses. Seeing the structure of the locks close up made us appreciate anew the skill of the workmen of the time who had only picks and shovels! - Marg Demers

