



**The Prez Sez** 

### December 2020





To all members of Probus Western Ottawa:

November will soon be a memory for everyone, as perhaps the same as the month before. It has been a great month, given the great weather we had, to complete those lingering outdoor projects. Also, it was wonderful to drive out into the country and see that most farmers had

completed their corn and soybean harvests.

The Probus Management team is excited to now offer Zoom meetings, with speakers already lined up for January, February, and March. We will have an introductory "Coffee session" on December 8<sup>th</sup> to get everyone familiar and comfortable with this application. These Zoom speakers reside in other parts of the country and now have the opportunity to address us as it was previously not economically feasible to bring them in from a distance. With that in mind, we will keep local speakers for when we can physically meet again.

It will be good to meet, at least virtually, in December. Bring a coffee or whatever and update your Zoom skills.

Take care and Happy Holidays to everyone! Ron Armstrong, President



As Ron mentioned above we are providing an opportunity to practice with Zoom in an informal one-hour session on **Tuesday**, **December 8 at 10am.** An invitation email with instructions for joining this "Coffee Session" and a tutorial on basic Zoom usage

will be issued by email on December 6. Unfortunately, you will need to provide your own coffee or drink of your choice should you desire one. As Zoom does not handle multiple speakers well, we will experiment with putting attendees in sub-groups (called break-out rooms) to facilitate socialization. Experts will be on hand to assist members with any problems they might experience. You may expect to have your microphones muted at times to allow these experts to provide uninterrupted teaching.

This meeting will be a dry run for our speaker session format which we hope will mimic our pre-Covid experience of a socialization time followed by a speaker. Questions may be submitted via text ("chat") and after the speaker has finished, a host will read the questions to the speaker. Don't miss this opportunity to become familiar with a great communication tool in these days of social distancing.

### **Speaker Program**

- January: Our speaker will be John Boyko, an author, historian, and contributor to The Globe and Mail, Toronto Star, Calgary Herald, Montreal Gazette, Maclean's, and more. John will explore how we should remember Sir John A. Macdonald by acknowledging mistakes made but also how our primary founder and first prime minister created, built, and saved Canada.
- February: Our speaker will be Tim Burrows, speaking on "Should Your Next Car be Electric?"

More information about our speakers will be provided in future newsletters.

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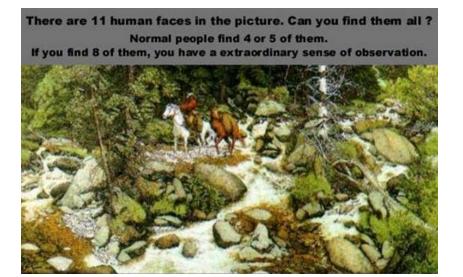
## **Quote of the Month**

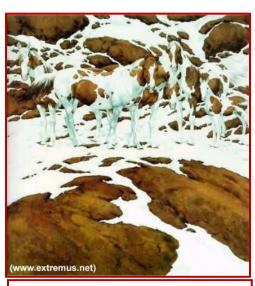
"Why can't Trump go to the White House any more? Because it's For Biden."



Missing your Euchre? Check out the **Trickster** app, available free from your local app store. An overview may be found <u>here</u>. You can play with friends or strangers or by yourself against the computer. Other card games are also supported.

# More Art that will mess with your head.





How many horses are in this picture? Should find 5.

ChuckleCorner 分

How to recognize when Jesus has been in your grocery store.



If you want to save money at Xmas, now's the perfect time to tell the kids that Santa didn't make it through the pandemic



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## **Clever Rearrangements**

PRESBYTERIAN: When you rearrange the letters: BEST IN PRAYER

ASTRONOMER: When you rearrange the letters: MOON STARER

DESPERATION: When you rearrange the letters: A ROPE ENDS IT

**THE EYES**: When you rearrange the letters: THEY SEE

**GEORGE BUSH:** When you rearrange the letters: HE BUGS GORE THE MORSE CODE: When you rearrange the letters: HERE COME DOTS

DORMITORY: When you rearrange the letters: DIRTY ROOM

SLOT MACHINES: When you rearrange the letters: CASH LOST IN ME

ANIMOSITY: When you rearrange the letters: IS NO AMITY

SNOOZE ALARMS: When you rearrange the letters: ALAS! NO MORE Z 'S A DECIMAL POINT: When you rearrange the letters: I'M A DOT IN PLACE

THE EARTHQUAKES: When you rearrange the letters: THAT QUEER SHAKE

ELEVEN PLUS TWO: When you rearrange the letters: TWELVE PLUS ONE

MOTHER-IN-LAW: When you rearrange the letters: WOMAN HITLER

## And very timely...

ELECTION RESULTS: When you rearrange the letters: LIES - LET'S RECOUNT









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