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Martin Capper
President

Hoping for many Fun Filled Hours with you this Year

By the time you read this Christmas will be behind us and we will all be looking forward to 2017. The past year at Escarpment Probus has brought us many new friends as our membership has grown to over 200. Over half of our membership enjoyed our Christmas Lunch at Crosswinds Golf Club where Men II Boys kept us entertained with their blend of music and humour.

Looking forward to the new year we have a wide variety of interesting speakers and topics lined up for our monthly meetings starting with the humourist Judy Suke! I am sure most of you will remember her first talk to us. If you believe laughter is the best medicine, then you won't want to miss her.

In January 2016 we asked you to tell us what you liked and disliked about our club and out of that we got many good ideas for our clubs, our activities and for our monthly meeting programs. We are in the early stages of planning something similar for early in 2017 and are looking at ways in which we can engage all of our members in the discussion. I would encourage you to participate in this so that we can ensure you get the best out of your membership in Escarpment Probus.

I wish you all that you would wish for yourselves for 2017 and look forward to spending many fun-filled hours with you.



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Board Games - Scrabble
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Cards - Canasta
Cards - Cribbage Club - Card Sharps
Cards - Euchre Club - Afternoon & Bid
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Dining - The Supper Club
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Nosh 'N' Natter
Nosh Neighbours
Nosh@Nite
Quilting Club - Piece Makers
Walking - Track & Nordic Pole Walkers
Walking - Trail Walkers
Whisky Tasting Club - D'Stillers
Wine Club-Grapenuts Mon & Thu
Writing Club - Inklings

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Our January Speaker

Judy Suke - Award-Winning Motivational Humorist, Professor, Coach, Author, Mother, and Business Owner

In this extremely humorous presentation, she shares her ideas for handling the stress of our hectic world. She will share the secrets to create harmony in both your personal and professional life. You will be able to create more joy in every minute of every day. Your laughter during the presentation will immediately heal the body, soothe the soul, lift the spirits and give you energy.



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The great thing about getting older is that you don't lose all the other ages you've been.

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~ Madeleine L'Engle, writer
(29 Nov 1918-2007)

Our February Speaker



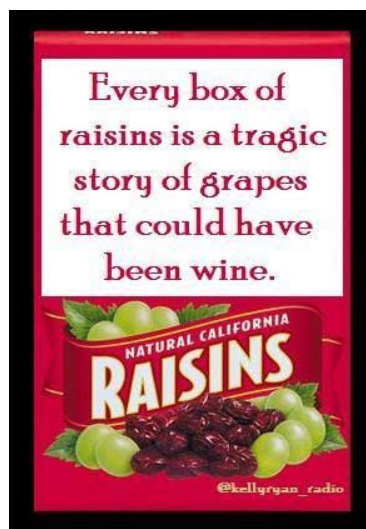
Christopher Bint - Executive Director and Co-founder of Elder Technology Assistance Group (ETAG)

Christopher will speak about the importance of technological literacy in today's digital world and how modern internet technologies can add value to someone's everyday life. He will touch briefly on topics that include iPad and Android tablets, Windows 10, Google and the power of social media.

Our Members are Interesting

By Wayne Herder - Program Chair

The New Year, 2017, means new opportunity to tell your friends about yourselves, your travels, hobbies, or life experiences. You may be more interesting than you think and it only takes ten minutes! Remember all Probud members are "interesting and interested". Please contact me at wayne.herder@sympatico.ca or any other board member if you wish to participate. I am sure you don't want to listen to me for an extra ten minutes!





“

What do we live for, if it is not to make life less difficult to each other?

”

~ George Eliot (pen name of Mary Ann Evans), novelist (22 Nov 1819-22 Dec 1880)

Lots to Do in the New Year

By Sandy Cannell - Activities Chair

EASTER TEA: Come and join us on Friday, April 7th at 12:00 pm as we welcome Spring with an Easter Tea to be held at the Robinson-Brae Tea Room in Streetsville. This historic building, established in 1885 specializes in scrumptious afternoon teas and lunches. They have over 40 varieties of tea from all over the world.

The menu for our afternoon high tea is: garden salad, mini sandwiches, mini quiches, home made scones with cream, pastries and squares plus a pot of tea (or coffee). The cost is \$29.00 per person which includes taxes and tip.

Downtown Streetsville has many unique shopping experiences and it's only a 10-15 minute drive from Milton.

The tea-room has a capacity of 32, so its 'first come, first served'. Sign up at the January meeting or email Sandy Cannell.



LEGISLATIVE BUILDING TOUR: On Wednesday, April 26th we will be touring the Ontario Legislative Buildings from 11:00 - 12:00 pm. There is no cost for this tour. Lunch will be at your own expense after the tour ... details to follow.

Joanne Millichamp will be convening these two outings, so if you have any questions contact her at jmillichamp@hotmail.com or 289-878-2969.

To Everyone Travelling to Austria in 2017 — Northern Italy Lake District 4-day add-on —

By Joanne Millichamp - Travel Convenor

With the busy period of the holidays now a distant memory, this is just a reminder about the **4-day add-on trip to the Lake District in northern Italy** for those who are interested. Details of the trip have been emailed to everyone, and spots are filling up. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Liu directly at Tour Design - 905-258-7778 ext. 252.

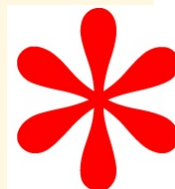
A New Venue this Month

Due to our fast growing membership, we will soon be exceeding the capacity of the meeting room in the Milton Sports Center. We have now moved to the **second floor Lions Hall of the Milton Memorial Arena**. There is an elevator for those not comfortable with stairs.



Milton Memorial Arena

77 Thompson Rd. S
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Super Nosh

Introducing club members to the experience of a "Nosh"

Friday February 17th 2017. 5:00 - 9:30 pm

At the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 136

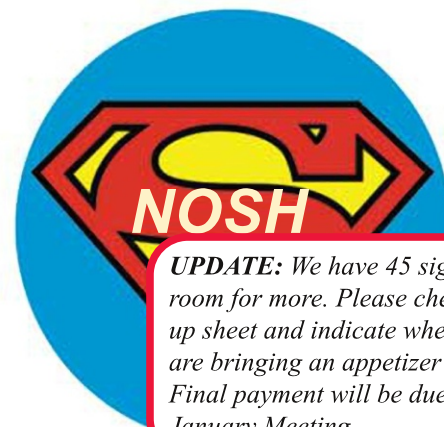
21 Charles Street, Milton, Ontario.

Beverages: Wine by the glass or bottle, coolers and beer.

Beer, wine by the glass \$4.50

Wine by the bottle \$15.00 red or white (20 Bee's winery), Coolers \$5.25

A Valentines Day Theme



UPDATE: We have 45 signed up and room for more. Please check the sign up sheet and indicate whether you are bringing an appetizer or desert. Final payment will be due at the January Meeting.

We would like to introduce the "Nosh" to all members of Escarpment Probus who would like to participate. Please sign up indicating if you will bring an appetizer or desert item. Ideally you may want to prepare about 24 portions. Currently we have 33 signed up. At a typical Nosh you bring what you drink, however, as this is an open Nosh, beverages will be available for purchase at the Legion. NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL, they will also supply the smart serve bar tenders.



There will be a nominal fee (TBD based on participation) to cover the cost of hall rental, plates, cutlery, decorations, tea and coffee. If you could provide assistance with the set up and tear down it would be appreciated. Please contact me at peteshermet@gmail.com (I'm not good at decorating).

The sign up sheet will be available at the December meeting/ Christmas Luncheon.

“

Laugh and the
world laughs
with you, snore
and you sleep
alone.

”

~ Anthony
Burgess



COME BOWL WITH US

Thursday, January 26, 2017

Champs - 300 Bronte Street South

No Experience Necessary
Just Be Willing to Have Fun



Includes 2 hours of 10-pin bowling, shoe rental, prizes,
buffet lunch, taxes and gratuities

All for only \$24

Arrive just after 10:00 am in time to pick up your shoes, find your team
and throw a few practice balls.

Bowling 10:30 - 12:30 then lunch at their restaurant

Cheques, made out to Escarpment Probus, **must be** in by our next
meeting, **Wednesday, January 18**. This is the absolute last chance to register.

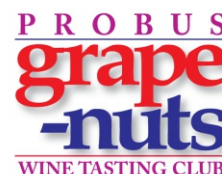
Bring your cheque then or mail to

Ann Du Pont, 2170 Lower Base Line, Oakville, ON, L6M 4G1

Winter Wonderland for Wine & Cheese Party

By Michael Hooker - Convenor

Our Wine and Cheese party at Auriel Halliday's and Don Evans' on December 8th was a great way to celebrate the coming Christmas Season - even the weather co-operated by sending down a little snow while we were there - to turn the outside into a true Winter Wonderland! *See next page for photos.*



Inside, Auriel and Don did a fabulous job of providing the wonderful atmosphere, with everything we could possibly want. We each brought a bottle of wine and a piece of cheese; Auriel and Don provided everything else - more (in both quality, variety and volume than we could possibly finish). Towards the end, Don produced his mouth-watering crepes - for which he is justifiably famous. As a diversion before we dug into the desserts, Auriel gave us a Wine Quiz - fourteen searching questions to test how much we REALLY knew about the stuff. Each one caused a lot of head-scratching and muttering.

Second prizes went to Julie and John Flynn, and Chris and Anna Strachan, tied with six right answers. First place went (as it certainly should) to me (Michael Hooker), with seven (or 50%) accuracy.

In the interests of truthfulness, I have to admit that my success owes more to my better understanding of mathematical probability theory than a superior wine knowledge. Here's how I did it: As each question was "multiple choice", I could eliminate several possible answers as highly unlikely - then I made a "wild-assed" guess among the remainder! Bacchus, the god of wine, must have been sitting on my shoulder that evening.

Two tastings in January: Michael Hooker on 5th (so I can get my hosting stuff out of the way early, then enjoy the rest of the "wineing" year); and Petra Halk on 11th. All hosting spots up to June are now spoken for except Wednesday 10th May.



Christmas Wine Party at Auriel and Don's



Just Missed the Big Dump

By Martin Capper - Correspondent

Despite being the night after the first major "dump" of the season, 19 people turned out for the last cribbage night of 2016. Cliff topped the scoring table with his score of 24; Don contemplated giving up cribbage all together; and Norma ended her losing streak by ending Joanne's winning streak!



After a night of fun with the cards we all enjoyed coffee, tea, mince pies and fruit cake made to Auntie Kath's true and trusted recipe! To all our regular players thank you for providing us with so much fun over the past year and to those of you who enjoy playing cards but aren't members you are welcome to join us on the second Monday of each month. Just sign up and get yourself on our email list!



Centrepiece Creation

By Christy Babcock - Convenor



A number of members of the Zoomer Bloomers Gardening group had a lovely lunch at the Royal Botanical Gardens followed by a table centrepiece creation workshop. As we followed the instructions our pieces at times looked kind of dubious but the finished products were impressive.



Some facts that we learned:

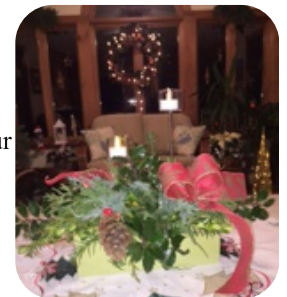
- place the oasis foam in a container of water and wait until the water soaks up to the top, don't try to hurry the process by turning the oasis as you will end up with a dry portion in the middle that won't sustain your arrangement
- don't completely fill your container with the oasis but leave some room for adding water
- cut the ends of your branches on an angle and peel the bark up about an inch for more water intake



- make sure to remove all needles or leaves so none go into the oasis or water to eliminate bacteria that will shorten the lifespan of your arrangement
- when adding the branches have the branch facing "mother earth"/downward
- water the finished product daily and also spritz with a spray bottle

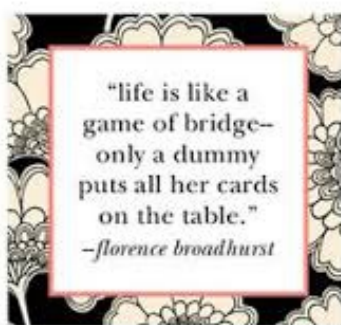
Our arrangements were accessorized at home.

There will be no December or January activities. A February meeting may occur if we can get Rodger Tschanz, Trial Garden Manager at the University of Guelph to come and talk to us about the results and outcomes from this past summer's trials.



Cards with a Festive Lunch

By Jeanne Reid - Convenor



On Dec. 5th, our bridge club had a Christmas luncheon and afternoon of cards at the home of Jeanne Reid.

With 13 people attending, it was an enjoyable and festive day for all.

Ray Mathews came in first place, Vickie Lenarduzzi came second and Bonnie Lennox came third.

Our next bridge will be at the home of Rosemary Thompson on Tues. Jan. 10th, 1 pm, one week later due to the holidays.



Never Empty the Vats

By Chris Strachan - Convenor

The D'Stillers last meeting of 2016 was held at the home of Lorrette and Pete Shermet. Five whiskies were offered for our tasting pleasure, following are the evenings results.



The winning whisky ***The Glenlivet (Masters Distillers Reserve Solera Vatted) Single Malt***. This whisky is only available in travel retail stores. This whisky is triple distilled in American Oak first-fill casks, then into ex-sherry casks. It is then placed in the Solera Vat which is never allowed to empty which makes for a very complex whisky.

The second whisky of the evening was ***Jamesons Black Barrel*** which is a blended Irish Whiskey. This Irish whiskey is aged for 12 years instead of the usual 5-7 years. The barrels used to age the whiskey are twice charred and are formerly Wild Turkey Bourbon barrels.

The third whisky was ***Glen Morangie 10 Yr Old Original, Single Malt***. This whisky is matured in ex-bourbon, air dried casks from Missouri. In our meetings this whisky tied for first place in June of 2015, it was first in July of 2016 and has now placed third in this months tasting. It is obvious that this whisky has staying power and can hold its own with the best of whiskies.

The fourth whisky was ***Tullibardine Sauternes 225 Finish, Single Malt***. This is a relatively new whisky which is finished in a 225 litre cask, thus it's name. These casks previously held maturing Sauternes Dessert Wine from Chateau Suduirant. The name Tullibardine is Gaelic for 'Lookout Hill'.



The fifth and final whisky was ***The Arran Malt Sauternes Finish, Single Malt***. This whisky comes from the Isle of Arrans only single malt distillery. The whisky is matured for 8 years in sweet wine casks from Bordeaux. The distillery only opened in 1995 which makes this a relatively young distillery in the distilling business.

This concludes the D'Stillers meetings for

2016. You will hear from us again in 2017.

Thanks to Lorrette for hosting the Designated Drivers. Thanks to the DD's for doing a wonderful job of getting all our whisky aficionados home safe and sound every month of the year.

The Jan 2017 meeting of the D'Stillers will be held at the home of Suzanne and Wayne Herder.

We hope everyone had a very Merry Christmas and we wish all of you a Happy New Year.

Greeting Cards

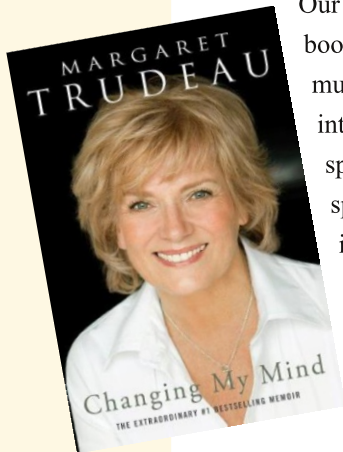
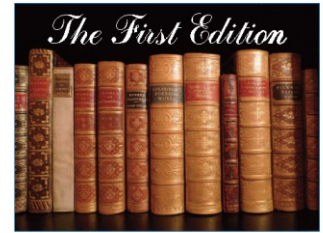
If you know of a member who is ill, hospitalized or moving out of the area and not re-joining our club, please advise Lorrette Shermet at lorrette@sympatico.ca or 905-878-1293.



Maggie Admired for Sharing

By Liz Read - Correspondent

Margaret Trudeau's biography, *Changing My Mind*, was the First Edition book club's selection for this month. She's written two previous books about her life but this time the focus is on her bipolar diagnosis and its effect on her and her family.



Our group decided that despite the aid of two ghostwriters this book doesn't do justice to her story. We rated the quality of the writing as a 4 out of 10 but gave much higher marks for the honesty and self-awareness Margaret brings to the table. Judging from interviews and articles written about her, Margaret appears to be a much more effective public speaker than author. In person her charm and personality resonate with the audience as she speaks candidly and movingly of the difficulties she's encountered in grappling with her mental illness.

One of our group members found herself quite emotional when reading this book as she found parallels with her own sister's life experience. Our consensus was that we admire Margaret Trudeau for sharing her experience as all too often, the stigma of mental illness has resulted in secrecy and silent suffering.

Allied with Brad

By Marilyn Armstrong - Convenor



On December 13, we had twelve people out for the Probus movie night. We watched *Allied* on the big screen starring Brad Pitt and Marion Cotillard.

SYNOPSIS

ALLIED is the story of intelligence officer Max Vatan (Brad Pitt), who in 1942 North Africa encounters French Resistance fighter Marianne Beausejour (Cotillard) on a deadly mission behind enemy lines. Reunited in London, their relationship is threatened by the extreme pressures of the war.

We gave the movie a four Star **** rating. After the show we socialized at Turtle Jacks Restaurant.



Join Your friends for Lunch on January 18th

By Bonnie Lennox — Convenor

Please join the *Lunch Bunch* after the meeting at

Swiss Chalet

50 Market St

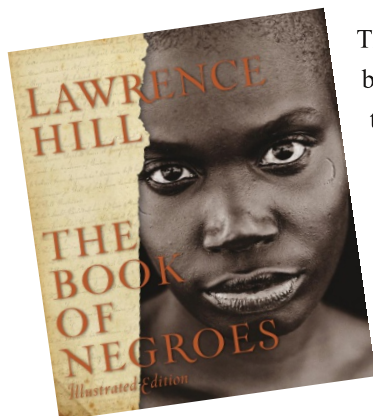
(off HWY 25 south of the 401)



Gripping Story of Slavery

By Judy Nelson - Convenor

Sequel met on the first Wednesday in December. We reviewed our monthly selection, *The Book of Negroes*, and held our annual pot luck lunch.



The book chronicled a very bleak period dealing with African slavery. The book tells the story of a young girl, Aminata, who survived her capture and transport to America where she suffered the indignities of slavery but went on to live with dignity and respect as an elderly lady. Her story is gripping, entertaining and educational.

The consensus of the meeting was that Lawrence Hill wrote a superb book and captured the voice of Aminata in her remarkable transition from a precious child to a wise old woman.

We highly recommend this book.

Our next meeting will be on the second Wednesday in January at Judy Nelson's home. We are reading *The 100-Year Old Man who Climbed out the Window and Disappeared*.

Planning Projects for 2017

By Diane Comstock - Convenor

Three members of the Piece Makers met on Monday, Dec. 5 and discussed topics for our upcoming meetings in 2017. A suggestion was put forth that we create small projects such as mug rugs or pot holders that allows us to demonstrate and practise various piecing and quilting techniques resulting in a finished item. We also discussed the possibility of creating a tribute quilt to Canada's 150th birthday where each member would provide a pattern for a red and white block and demonstrate a quilting technique to finish the block.



Quilting term of the month: Lap Quilting – Hand quilting on the go. Each block is pieced or appliqué before being sewn to other blocks, thereby making it more portable.

Our next meeting has been postponed to Jan. 9 at the home of Diane Comstock. A sample block will be provided for each member to hand quilt. Instruction to be provided by Judy Nelson. Anyone who quilts or would like to learn is welcome to join our meetings. Please contact Diane (905-876-4909) if you plan to attend, so a sample block can be prepared.

*And our December winner
is Penny McIlwaine
with \$187.50*



“
*The walls of
books around
him, dense with
the past, formed
a kind of
insulation
against the
present world
and its disasters.*

”
~ Ross
Macdonald,
novelist (13 Dec
1915-1983)

Have men's fashions gone just a bit too far?

By Alan Jordan - Fashionista and Occasional Correspondent

Fashion is often described as "A style or practice especially in clothing, footwear accessories and makeup".

Take a look at these men-only designs offered for your consideration at your next Probus night out. Do let me know what the effect on the gathered Probians was like.



The Footballer

With pink knee socks, a skirt and helmet this guy is ready for the manly gridiron. I bet his mother is proud. The other team won!



The Bag Lady

With shopping cart, freshly stolen from Loblaw's, this winter-clad specimen can be seen at any subway station or street car stop bumming for quarters.



Concertina Man

A grey flannel faux vest and matching double-pleated, baggy pants will be a hit at any function, just don't expect to walk too far.



Cowpoke

A suspenders and belt kind of man who takes no chances on the wild west frontier. The poorly tailored dark jeans and Shaker hat allows him to channel John Wayne. Weapons and ammo not included.



The Burger King Look

Be sure to save those free crowns you got for your kids. With a smart military coat with matching, un-deserved medals and patch skirt, you will attract all kinds of strange ladies.



"Apprenticed to a Pirate"

Inspired by Johnny Depp, this swash buckling creation, complete with natty bandanna and skirt soft pink shoes. Be prepared to launch another attack on Her Majesty's Navy.



"Big Issue" Boy

A slightly naff ensemble for standing on corners selling newspapers. The one-piece denim boiler suit and aviator jacket will assure comfort through our long, cold winters.



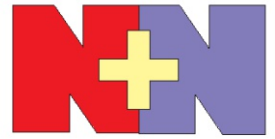
The Kilt-Suit Look

For any real Scotsman or just a wannabe, this matching kilt and jacket ensemble will draw laughs at any party, especially at Halloween. Notice the lack of the clumsy sporran, dirk and good taste. The crossed legs are optional.

Joint Nosh on the Escarpment

By Christy Babcock - Correspondent

On December 2nd we again hosted a joint Christmas Nosh night with approximately 45 people attending. I may have been more relaxed since all the Christmas decorating was done but the whole evening seemed very casual and enjoyable. As always, everyone mixed well and there was an abundance of conversation and food.



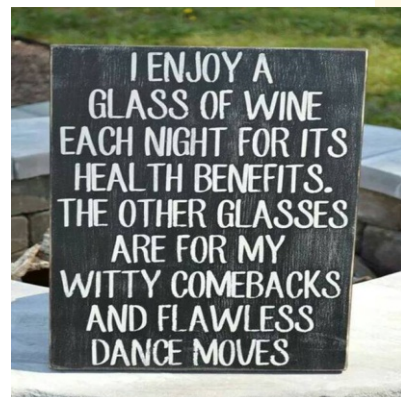
Bring a Book - Take a Book

By Ellen Crawford - Convenor



Browse the table and feel free to take a book. Recommend to others ones that you have found to be a good read.

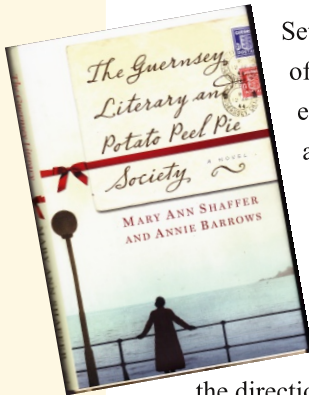
Bring those good reads back and borrow another. If you forget your book, feel free to borrow another and return it at the next meeting.



A Letter-Perfect Book for Trilogy!

By Margaret Anne Fehr - correspondent

The Trilogy Book Club decided to take the club 'downtown,' breaking bread at Casa Americano over lunch on December 15th. Our book selection was *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*, written by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows.



Set in the post-war year of 1946 following the Nazi occupation of Guernsey, the book takes an unusual approach to plotting the story, revealing its array of engaging characters through a series of letters. Juliet Ashton, the main character, is a young and single published writer who has risen to fame writing a series of war-time columns and has been encouraged by her publisher, Sidney Stark, to embark on writing a book. Entirely by happenstance, Juliet receives a letter from Guernsey resident, Dawsey Adams, founder of the Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society asking for her help in locating books by 19th century writer, Charles Lamb. What follows is a series of self-revealing and plot advancing letters that expands to include other Guernsey citizens that ultimately provides the direction that Juliet has been seeking for penning her new book.

Juliet decides to visit Guernsey and is immediately drawn into the island life, its unique characters and their heart-wrenching stories of the Nazis occupation and its effect on their lives and community.

While the book may be construed as a lyrical WWII love story, there are many sobering and haunting incidents described within the pages that reflect the harsh realities of the German occupation and how the citizenry band together to preserve their close-knit community and its enduring humanity by creating a unifying bulwark against the enemy. Humour is used liberally throughout and provides the needed comic relief to leaven the grim descriptions of war-time events.

The book received an enthusiastic thumbs-up from all six attendees. In fact, many had read the book before, and on re-reading, continued to find details and insights missed the first time around and to revel in Alice Shaffer's writing style that plucks at the reader's emotional strings with the deftness of a virtuoso.

A bonus to our meeting came from member, Linda Green, who traces her lineage back to Guernsey. In 2015, Linda spent a day as part of a travel tour to the island where she took many pictures. Fortunately for our group, she brought her laptop to our luncheon and we were able to view pictures of notable sites in the book adding much local colour to our discussion.

The final consensus by the members is that this book is worth reading, not once, but many times. Observations from the group included the pallid state of letter writing today due to the ubiquity of tech-related communications. We were reminded of letters from our younger days, including love letters, we'd written and received that captured our emotions and the times with great vibrancy.

Next month we will be meeting on January 25th. New member, Kelly Ground, has graciously offered to host when we discuss our next selection, *The Nightingale*, by Kristin Hannah.

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*A day without
sunshine is like,
you know, night.*

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~ Steve Martin



*Do you see a word in here?
No? Tip your head to the right.*

Our Christmas Lunch - A Photo Gallery

On December 14, 118 Probians gathered for the third annual Christmas lunch. We were at Crosswinds Golf Club, where fresh snow added to the festive atmosphere. Many arrived wearing Christmas finery and prizes were awarded to the top six. Before a delicious lunch was served, we were entertained by Men II Boys, a local Milton group. A great start to the Christmas season! - By Julie Flynn - Activities Chair



Judges for the sweater contest



Winners - Anna, Lorette and Pat Vogt



Winners - Claude, Chris, Bill Woodcock



Christmas Lunch Gallery ... cont'd



The entertainment - Men II Boys



Our newest member, Doreen Chester, receives her badge



Double Celebration - New Year & Canada's 150th!

By Peter Lasota - FORUM Editor

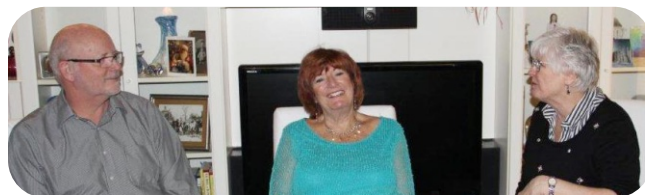
The Nosh held at the Jordans' was very well attended considering that it was the eve of New Year's Eve. I was expecting many people to be partied out but we Probians appear to be a dedicated bunch.

Courtesy of Alan and Rosalind we got a head start on celebrating Canada's sesquicentennial — dessert was led by a chocolate birthday cake and banner waving.

After we had tucked away dessert and coffee, Alan lined us all up for a group photo, handed out strangely shaped pieces of paper to some of us and instructed us to not look at the other side upon pain of death! Poor Alan was tearing his hair out trying to get compliance - it was like herding cats. On his mark, we looked and realized they were masks, then the hilarity began. The neighbours must have heard our side splitting laughter as we passed around the masks for photo ops. Many thanks to the Jordans for hosting this raucous crowd. *See photos on next page ...*



Nosh @ Nite Photo Gallery ...



Escarpment PROBUS Club - Calendar of Events

EVENT	DAY OF MONTH	MEET AT	CONVENOR
JANUARY 2017			
Management Meeting	11 January - 7 pm	Herder Home	Martin Capper
Escarpment PROBUS	18 January - 9:30 am	Milton Memorial Arena	Martin Capper
Lunch Bunch	18 January - Noon	Swiss Chalet. 50 Market St.	Bonnie Lennox
Bowling	Thurs. January 26. 10 - 12:30 pm	CHAMPS. 300 Bronte St. S.	Ann Du Pont
Lunch after Bowling	Thurs. January 26. 12:30 pm	CHAMPS. 300 Bronte St. S.	Ann Du Pont
Track & Nordic Pole Walkers	Mondays & Fridays - 11:00am	Milton Sports Centre	Liz Read
Trail Walkers	Tuesdays - 1:30pm	Various	Pat & Ron Flannagar
Golf Club-Probud Pin Seekers	Every 2nd Thursday. Time varies.	Granite Ridge	Ron Millichamp
Wine Tasting - Grapenuts	1st Monday & Thurs. - 7:00pm	TBD	Michael Hooker
Piece Makers - Quilting Club	Mon. Jan. 9 - 1 pm	Comstock Home *	Diane Comstock
Bridge Club	2nd Tuesday - Jan 10 1 pm	Thompson Home	Jeanne Reid
Board Games - Scrabble	1st Wednesday - 1 to 4 pm	Grace Anglican Church*	Petra Halk
Whisky Club - The D'stillers	1st Wednesday - 7:00pm	Herder Home	Chris Strachan
Nosh+Natter	1st Friday - 5:30-8:30pm	TBD	Gillian Reynolds
Book Club - First Edition	2nd Monday - 1 to 3 pm	TBD	Paul Crawford
Card Sharp Cribbage Club	2nd Monday - 7:00pm	Capper Home *	Martin Capper
Oscar Nights - Movie Club	2nd Tuesday 7:00pm	Milton Cineplex Cinemas	Marilyn Armstrong
Book Club - Sequel	2nd Wednesday - 10 am	Nelson Home	Judy Nelson
Board Games - Bee Gees	2nd Wednesday - 1:00pm	Grace Anglican Church*	Stephen Comstock
Joker Club	2nd Thursday - 1:30 pm	TBD	Auriel Halliday
Euchre	3rd Tuesday - 1:00 pm	Shermet Home	Lorrette Shermet
Ravenous Readers Recycling	3rd Wednesday	Milton Sports Centre*	Ellen Crawford
Book Club - Trilogy	Wed. Jan 25	Ground Home	Linda Green
Canasta	4th Monday - 7 pm	Shermet Home	Lorrette Shermet
Zoomer Bloomers	4th Wednesday - 1:00pm	TBD	Christy Babcock
Joker Club	4th Wednesday - 1:30pm	TBD	Auriel Halliday
Inklings - Writing Club	Suspended pending more members	Grace Anglican Church*	Gillian Reynolds
Nosh@Nite	4th Friday 5:30 to 8 pm	TBD	Paul & Ellen Crawford
Bowling	Last Wed of month 3 - 5 pm	Champs Bowling	Stephanie Hamnett
FEBRUARY 2017			
Management Meeting	8 February - 7 pm	TBD	Martin Capper
Escarpment PROBUS	15 February - 9:30 am	Milton Memorial Arena	Martin Capper
Lunch Bunch	15 February - Noon	TBD	Bonnie Lennox
Super Nosh	Fri, 17 February - 5 - 9:30 pm	Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 136. 21 Charles St., Milton	Pete Shermet
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