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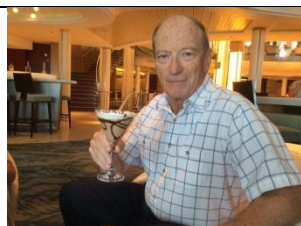
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

In April many of our members were treated to insights into Harems as they flourished for several centuries in the Ottoman Empire. On Wednesday May 22, we will be taken back to the final days of the Viet Nam War through the eyes of a famous survivor, Kim Phuc Phan Thi. Such are the excellent monthly experiences that we are privileged to enjoy thanks to the efforts of our Speaker Coordinator, Kathy Borisko.

Our Management Committee continues to provide other opportunities which make your membership very worthwhile including a growing number of Activity Groups and Social Events. Please check our Website for up to date information.

Our Nomination Committee, chaired by Vice President, Jim Hare, has the task of filling six Management Committee positions at our Annual Meeting in October. If you might be interested joining this committee, please let Jim know. We had one guest observer at our Management Committee meeting this month and we hope others will come to our next monthly meeting on June 12.

We look forward to seeing you on May 22.

David Werry
President

MAY SPEAKER – Kim Phuc Phan Thi “Fire Road”

Mrs. Kim Phuc Phan Thi will share her story of unexpected survival, a life in constant pain as the tool of a communist regime, love, family, and the unshakable, life-altering faith that set her free. Kim Phuc Phan Thi, known as the ‘Napalm Girl’ in an iconic 1972 Vietnam War photo, has received a 10,000 euro (\$11,350) award in Germany for her work for peace. Organizers of the Dresden Prize say the 55-year-old, who now lives in Canada, was honoured on Monday February 11th 2019 for her support of UNESCO and children wounded in war, and for speaking out publicly against violence and hatred.

REMINDER

Our next meeting is Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at the Pickering Recreation Centre, East Salon. Start time 10 a.m. SHARP

ACTIVITIES

Billiards

The billiards club meets every other Friday at 11 am at Petrina's Taps and Billiards in Ajax. Next meeting is May 24th. Just \$4 for Probus members. Contact Don Voorhees, by email holdus1399@gmail.com or 905 427-9653.

Bridge – Marathon

A great time was had by our Marathon Bridge members at their closing luncheon. Sign-up for our 2019/2020 season will take place at the July Probus meeting. For further info contact Dave & Irveen Powley, email: powleydi@gmail.com, (905) 683-1444.

Book Club

The 1st book club is full but accepting names for the waitlist – contact Dolores Forster at doloresfor@gmail.com. The 2nd book club is meeting is June 11th at 10:30 am at Chartwell. Contact mary.milosh74@gmail.com

Euchre

We meet the first & third Thursday of the month from 1 pm - 4 pm at the Pickering Legion on Bayly. Contact Kathy Borisko at kborisko@hotmail.com for more information.

Garden Club

Contact Jacqueline Mollaret at mjmollaret@gmail.com for more information.

Golf

Contact Jim at jameshare@yahoo.com for more details.

Guitar

Contact Rick Fraser at richardfraser@rogers.com for more information.

Hiking

The hiking group is now meeting the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 10 am. On May 22nd we will meet at the bottom of Westshore Blvd. at the new parking lot on the east side of the Blvd. We will explore the new improvements to the Waterfront Park and walk the Waterfront Trail. On June 12th we will again meet at the Whitevale Seaton Trail parking lot behind the Mill, this time we will walk North on the Seaton trail.

Mah Jong

Our group is now full; however, if any one wishes to join I would be happy to put your name on a waiting list. Please contact Pauline Sampson at sampsonp84@gmail.com or 289-660-3330.

Pinball

Waiting list. Play the second Thursday each month. Contact: Lori Darowski at [loridee@sympatico.ca](mailto:lорidee@sympatico.ca)

RODEO - Retired Old Dames Eating Out

Signing up in advance is mandatory. The next lunch will be at the Stone Corner Pub on Tuesday, June 4 at 12:00 noon. Contact Debbie Cox at: d_c_cox@hotmail.com.

Tastes of the World – May 30th – 5:30 p.m.

We will be going to Sauder's Inn Restaurant at 109 Old Kingston Rd., Ajax in Pickering Village for Hungarian- German food. In June, we will sample Thai and Malaysian cuisine at Thai Orchid at 1450 Kingston Road, Pickering. Check their website www.thaiorchid.ca. This will be our last event for this group for the summer and we will resume in September. Have a wonderful summer, everyone (we hope!) For the June event please sign-in at the meeting or email Liz Fernandez if you would like to attend at lizialuiza.almeida@outlook.com.

Walking Club

Contact Jeanette Adams at jeanette.mary.adams@gmail.com or Bev Sinclair at rap875@rogers.com

PROBUS SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

For information on any of the excursions offered, please contact Shirly at 905 619-8583 or email shirlyevanputten@rogers.com

Monday, June 10th – S.S. Keewatin – Port McNicoll – Cost \$120 – Waiting List

Visit the S.S. Keewatin, anchored in Port McNicoll, Midland. **Includes:**

- Return transportation by Motor Coach
- Tour of the S.S. Keewatin, Visit to Big Chute Rail, tour of Outdoor Murals of Midland
- Lunch at “The Library”

Friday, June 21st – Woodbine Racetrack – Cost \$112 – 2 Spots left

A “DAY AT THE RACES” - includes:

- Return transportation by Motor Coach/drivers tip
- Pocket Program for each guest
- Optional Tour of Paddocks

Tuesday, July 23rd – Westben to see ABBA – Cost \$99 – Sold Out

Annual Picnic – Wednesday, August 28th – Cost \$15

This year’s picnic will be held at the WindReach Farm in Ashburn. WindReach Farm is built on 105 acres of land, situated on the Oak Ridges Moraine. The farm strives to enrich the lives of persons of all ages with disabilities and/or special needs by providing opportunities to enjoy experiences in farming, nature, outdoor

recreation and other activities. Come and enjoy a day at the farm with a Barbecue lunch. (Lakeridge Rd and Townline Rd)

COMMUNITY EVENTS

City of Pickering

Jewelry Creations Tuesday, May 23rd

11:30 am - 1:30 pm George Ashe Library & Community Centre 470 Kingston Road, Pickering. Using Semi precious stones and sterling silver you will create your very own bracelet you can enjoy wearing for years to come or give as a gift for someone you love! Workshops adult 55+ Activity code: 13850 Fee: \$55.00 Register online at pickering.ca/registration

Games Day Thursday, May 23rd

1:00 pm – 4:00 p.m. East Shore Community Centre 910 Liverpool Road, Pickering. The 55+ Advisory Committee program team are hosting Games Day for 55+ Pickering residents. There will be both intellectual and physical activities. Refreshments provided. Reserve your space for this event. Call 905.420.4660 ext. 6104

Artfest on the Esplanade, Saturday, May 25th

11 a.m. – 5 p.m. This free arts event will include over 90 artists from across the province who show and sell a fantastic variety of original art which include Paintings (Oil, Acrylic, Watercolour), Photography, Wood Carvings, and more! Live artistic performers and buskers, hands on activities, and special offerings from PineRidge Arts Council who will offer their mask magic activity, Pickering Community Concert Band providing a live performance at the gazebo.

The City of Pickering is celebrating **Senior's Month in June**. For more information check out their website pickering.ca/adults55 plus or call 905-420-6588.

**Founder's Day at Windreach Farms
June 18, 2019 – 7 p.m.**

Program includes the Superdogs and an equestrian program.

Located at 312 Townline Road, Ashburn
Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children
Visit www.windreachfarm.org for more information. Please note: we will be using WindReach Farms as the site of our Pickering PROBUS barbeque on August 28.

1st Pickering Pickleball Club

A large number of our PROBUS members play pickleball with our club. We play four days a week in three different venues. We welcome new players who want to try our game. For more information please contact David Werry at dwerry70@gmail.com.

Non-Probuss Trips

Cape Cod / Boston / Rhode Island – September 9th – 14th – Cost \$1,299 per person / double occupancy. Single \$1,649. Beautiful Fall Tour!!

Your holiday package includes:

- Return motor coach transportation
- Three nights at the Riviera Beach Resort;
One night at the Hampton Inn, Springfield;
One night at La Quinta Inn, Providence, RI
- Tour of "The Breakers" Mansion, Newport;
Tour of Cape Cod – including Provincetown with local guide; Tour of Martha's Vineyard - ferry ride and guided tour; Tour of Boston
- Visit to Cooperstown, NY – Baseball Hall of Fame
- Meals: 5 breakfasts; 3 dinners

**November 17th – 24th – The King meets Country- MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA TOUR
from Blues to Rock 'n Roll to County!**

Includes:

- Round trip airfare from Toronto to Memphis
- Three nights in Memphis / Three nights in Nashville – including breakfast
- City tours of Memphis and Nashville; Tours of: Sun Studio and Graceland; Country Music Hall of Fame + RCA; Grand Ole Opry & The Ryman Auditorium

**Contact Shirlie asap for these two trips! I will send complete information!!
905-619-8583 or shirlievanputten@rogers.com**

June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Pickleball Mah Jong – <i>Chartwell</i>	4 Pickleball RODEO <i>Stone Corner Pub</i>	5	6 Pickleball Walking Club Euchre Club <i>Pickering Legion 1-4 PM</i>	7 Billards – <i>Petrinas</i> Pickleball	8
9	10 Pickleball Mah Jong – <i>Chartwell</i> <i>S.S. Keewatin Trip</i>	11 Pickleball 2 nd Book Club <i>Chartwell 10:30 a.m.</i>	12 Management Meeting Hiking	13 Pickleball Walking Club Pinball	14 Pickleball	15
16	17 Pickleball Mah Jong – <i>Chartwell</i>	18 Pickleball Founder’s Day <i>WindReach Farms</i>	19	20 Walking Club Euchre Club <i>Pickering Legion 1-4 PM</i>	21 Billards – <i>Petrinas</i> Pickleball 1 st Book Club <i>Chartwell - 2 PM</i> <i>Woodbine Racetrack</i>	22
23/30	24/31 Pickleball Mah Jong - <i>Chartwell</i>	25 Pickleball	26 PROBUS Meeting <i>Rec Centre</i>	27	28	29