

The PROBUS Club of Bradford



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Upcoming Events:

- **May 10 – General Meeting** at St. John's Presbyterian Church hall, Guest Speaker: Rosalee Peppard-Canadian Women Musical Historian
- **May 11-13- Picton Trip**
- **May 31 – Country Heritage Park**
- **June 11- Canadian Armed Forces Day and Air Show Celebrations**

April General Meeting Highlights:

Pete Liukaitis, President, welcomed everyone to the meeting and welcomed one guest, Barbara Russell, from the BWG Club.

Pete displayed some month of April, April 12th and popular songs in April trivia.

Birthday wishes were extended to: Margaret Boddy, Sandi Dickey, Linda Fleming, Lorna Foti, Dawn Harvey, Philip Junop, Josephine Kenemy, Wilf Kenemy, Anne Kursi, Earl Michaud, Donna Nicholson, Maureen Patterson.

Club Events and Contacts, Upcoming Events and a Peek at 2016 were shared. Members were reminded that all information regarding these events is on the club's website.

Dave McMillan thanked those responsible for organizing the bid euchre tournament and especially, Doug Osborne, for hosting it.

Mark Cannata informed everyone that the schedule for the 2016/17 dinner club would be available by September so that groups would begin right away.

Carol McMillan reminded everyone participating in 'Guess Who's Coming to Dinner' of the envelopes they were to pick up.

The final payment for the Picton trip was also due.

Robert Alsop spoke about the upcoming 'Country Heritage Market Excursion' taking place on May 31st.

Phillip Junop spoke about the 'Canadian Armed Forces Day and Air Show Celebrations' on June 11th and told those who were interested in attending to sign up and that tickets would be available at the next meeting.

It was announced that the 'Travelling Lunch' event would take place in June.

50/50 Draw:

Joanne Leroux won \$63.00.

Collette Shorter and Doris Soule won tickets to the 'Rooted in the Community' event.

Helen Prokopchuk, Terry Marshall, Hank Vanderpost and Genie Froude each won a book written by the guest speaker.

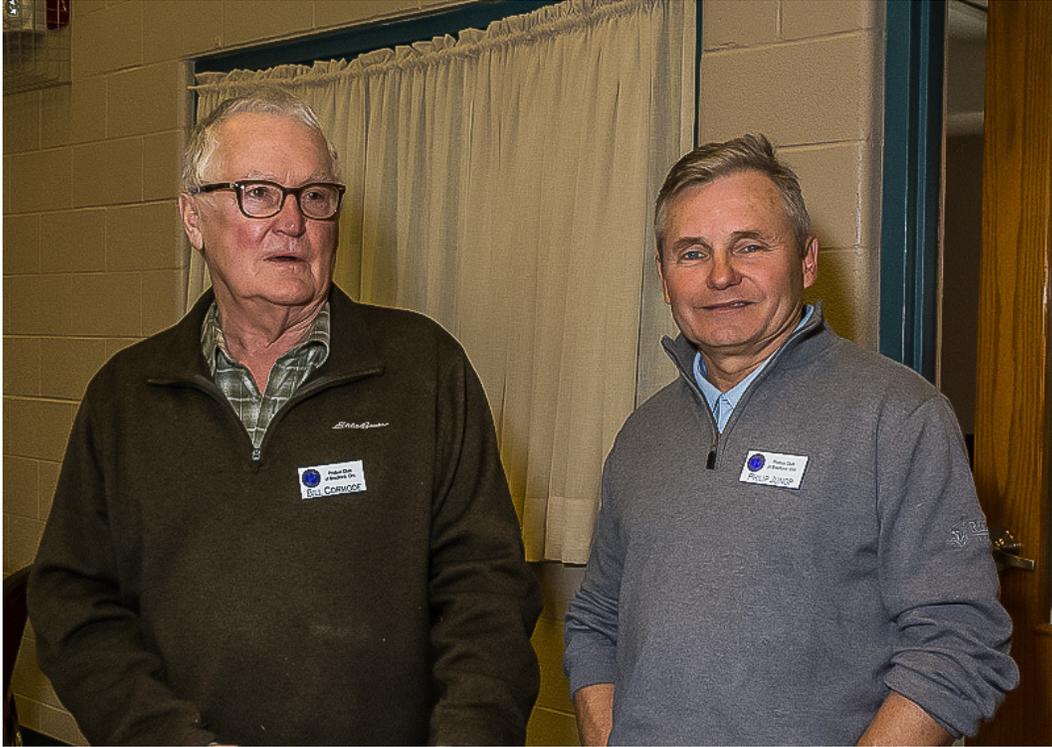
Pete thanked those who provided today's snacks: Ruth Dolan, Evelyn Marshall, Betty Oliver and Amy Wright.

Pete announced who was providing snacks at next month's meeting.

A humorous video featuring Jeanne Robertson from Texas was shown.









Guest Speaker

Barry Spilchuk: 'What to do when cancer catches you with your pants down'

Mark Cannata introduced Barry and gave a brief bio of this professional speaker, trainer and author.

Barry beat cancer in 2009 and wrote a book about it entitled, The Cancer Dance. He entered the hall dressed in a hospital gown and pushing an IV pole.

He proceeded to give an abbreviated, humorous account of his journey from finding out that he had cancer, after three misdiagnosis, to his total recovery.

He used five audience members to help him illustrate how he dealt with the many stresses in his life.

He learned to accept responsibility for his mistakes, to let go and not fight (can't heal with fighting energy) and ask for help.

Barry preaches that, "you should let your soul take you where you want to be because, you're not done yet."

He is now studying to be a pastor and believes that his job is to go out and tell the truth.

He was autographing his book THE CANCER DANCE after the meeting and offering it for purchase



Margo thanked Barry with these words, "You are an inspiration to us all who are getting older and facing problems."

Euchre at Doug Osbourne's









Something to Think About

A group of students were asked to list what they thought were the present 'Seven Wonders of the World'. Though there were some disagreements, the following received the most votes:

1. Egypt's Great Pyramids
2. The Taj Mahal
3. The Grand Canyon
4. The Panama Canal
5. The Empire State Building
6. St. Peter's Basilica
7. The Great Wall of China

While gathering the votes, the teacher noticed that one student had not finished writing yet...so she asked if the student was having difficulty. The student replied that it was a challenging assignment because there were so many 'wonders' to consider. The teacher asked the student to share what they had written so far and this is what was on the list...

1. To see
2. To hear
3. To touch
4. To taste
5. To feel
6. To laugh
7. And to love

The room was so quiet that you could have heard a pin drop. The things we overlook as simple and ordinary and that we take for granted **are** truly wondrous.

Guess Who's Coming To Dinner!









**The next PROBUS Club of Bradford Newsletter will come your way on May 24th .
*Jayne Greer- Editor***