



# The PROBUS Reporter

October 2024 Issue

The PROBUS Club of Alliston

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# President's Message

As I begin my year as your President, I want to thank Ruby Thomas who did a great job last year; it was a real success.

When I think back to my 49 years of dentistry, I realize that the key to my successful practice was having a great team around me. One thing I have learned from my year as your Vice President is that we have a terrific team of volunteers in our PROBUS group. Our speakers have been outstanding as have our outings throughout the year. To all of these volunteers I say thanks and I look forward to working with you this year.

I am a relative newbie; I have only been a member for 2 years, so I look forward to getting to know all of you much better. Let's have a great year.

Gerry Ross

President, PROBUS Club of Alliston

# September 2024 PROBUS Meeting

**Our 2024-2025 President, Gerry Ross was inducted and presented his President pin.  
Our Past President, Ruby Thomas was presented her Past President pin.**



## Welcome New Members



Shari Nerdahl & David Nerdahl (not present)

# September 2024 PROBUS Meeting

## Show & Tell Speaker – Harvey Hart

### You want me to change a lightbulb where?

Harvey Hart, one of our long-time members, told us an amusing yet hair-raising story of his early working career, when he was asked, even though it was not in the duties of his job, to climb a high communications tower to change an aircraft warning lightbulb at the top.



## Main Speakers were Sara & Leah den Bok

### Saved by Mother Teresa

Sara den Bok shared with us stories of her childhood, being saved from the streets of Calcutta by Mother Teresa at the age of three and then being adopted by a Stayner Ontario family when she was five.



### But I can still do something

Leah den Bok followed her mother with a presentation "But I can Still do Something". As a fashion and portrait photographer Leah focuses on capturing the stories and images of people experiencing homelessness in major cities worldwide raising awareness. 100% of the profit from her books and exhibits are donated to homeless shelters.



## Lunch at Boston Pizza



Photos submitted by Bev Hughes. For more click [here](#)

# Important Notices

## Presentation on PROBUS Group Insurance Plans – Oct 9, 2024

Subject: Probus Member Benefit - Group Insurance Plans - Presentation October 9

**Probus CLUBS - Please share this opportunity with all your club members.**

Refresher - PROBUS Canada has negotiated Group rates for voluntary plans for all Probus members. PROBUS Canada also carries Liability and Management insurance for all its members. Details of our Insurance coverage can be found on our website in the Club Reference Guide [here](#).

Presentation October 9 on Group Benefits by:

MARK COSTALES, B.Sc., ACS, ALMI, CEBS, GBA, RPA  
Group Benefits Consultant  
Johnson Inc. | Belair Insurance Company Inc.

Topic:  
Benefits available to PROBUS Canada members through Johnson and belairdirect (i.e. Home Insurance, Auto Insurance, MEDOC Travel Insurance, Extended Health Care (EHC) with optional Prestige Travel Insurance, Dental Care, and stand-alone Trip Cancellation & Interruption Travel Insurance).

Invitation:  
**All** members of PROBUS Canada (Club Management Committees, Club Members, Directors and Staff) are invited to attend the Zoom presentation. The call can accommodate up to 500 participants.

Mark Costales (Johnson/belairdirect) is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

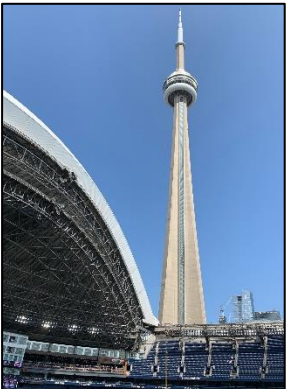
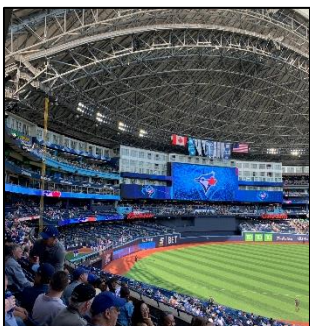
Topic: Insurance Benefits for PROBUS Canada Members  
Time: Oct 9, 2024 10:00-11:00 AM Pacific Time (1:00-2:00 PM Eastern Time)

Join Zoom Meeting  
<https://intactfc.zoom.us/j/83773357491?pwd=e7SIUA8lt7C1ryt7Hgl1DPrcemnCja.1>

Meeting ID: 837 7335 7491  
Passcode: 422867  
We hope to see you there!

Wendy Machmer  
General Manager  
PROBUS Canada

# September 2024 PROBUS Blue Jays Trip



Photos submitted by Bev Hughes. For more click [here](#)

## Upcoming **PROBUS** Meetings

Our meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month  
at 10:00 AM in the Nottawasaga Inn.

Next Meeting – Oct 8

Lunch: Halibut House

### **Main Speakers**

Oct 8 Lisa Taylor

Gut Health for Aging Gracefully

Nov 12 Ted Barris

Battle of Britain: Canadian  
Airmen in Their Finest Hour

### **Show & Tell Speakers**

Oct 8 Sharon Smith

Sponsoring a refugee family

Nov 12 Roger Setka

“In Flanders Fields”





# Upcoming Events

## DANNY'S FISH & CHIPS

411 Huronia Rd @ Big Bay Point Rd, Barrie 705-721-8998

OCTOBER 28th, 2024, 5:00 PM



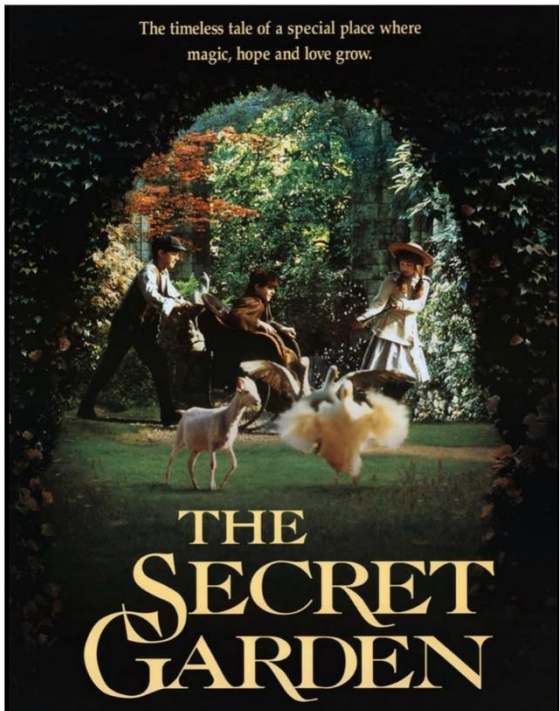
**\$10 CASH DEPOSIT WILL BE COLLECTED  
AT THE SEPT OR OCT MEETING**

**32 PEOPLE REQUIRED FOR THEM TO CLOSE TO OTHER  
CUSTOMERS FOR PRIVATE PARTY - 50 MAXIMUM**

**The South Simcoe Theatre  
November 17, 2024, 2:00 pm**



*A Musical!*



Mary, a young recently-orphaned girl is sent to England to live with her uncle. Once there, she begins to explore her seemingly isolated surroundings and discovers the secrets of his estate. She must bring a garden back to life in order to gain her own happiness and save the life of her cousin.

**\$28.00/person, Cheques at Sept or Oct meeting. MAXIMUM 40 seats. Deadline - October meeting.**

# Upcoming Events



**Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 5:00 PM**  
**Symposium Restaurant, Alliston**  
117 Young Street, Alliston, ON

5:00 PM SOCIAL CHAT & ARRIVE & SEAT  
5:30 PM DINNER **\$42/PERSON**

**Menu:**

Choice of: **Greek Salad** or **Caesar Salad**

Choice of: **Grilled Atlantic Salmon w/Teryiaki Sauce**  
**Spiced Rub Chicken**  
[above two served with herbed roasted potatoes]  
**Steak Stir Fry**  
**Fish & Chips**  
**Fettuccine Alfredo with fresh Mushroom sauce**

Choice of: **Dessert**  
**Caramel Brownie, Caramel Apple Crisp, Vanilla or Chocolate Sundae**

**Coffee, Tea, Soft Drinks CASH BAR**

**\$20 CASH DEPOSIT/PERSON & MENU CHOICE REQUIRED AT OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER MEETING**



## PROBUS Christmas Party

Please join us



PROBUS Christmas Luncheon  
Tuesday, December 10, 2024

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 171 Alliston  
111 Dufferin Street Alliston, ON

Social 12 noon Lunch 1:00 p.m

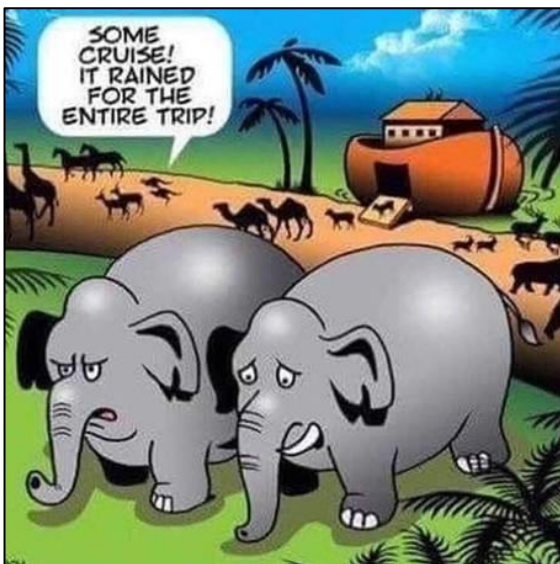
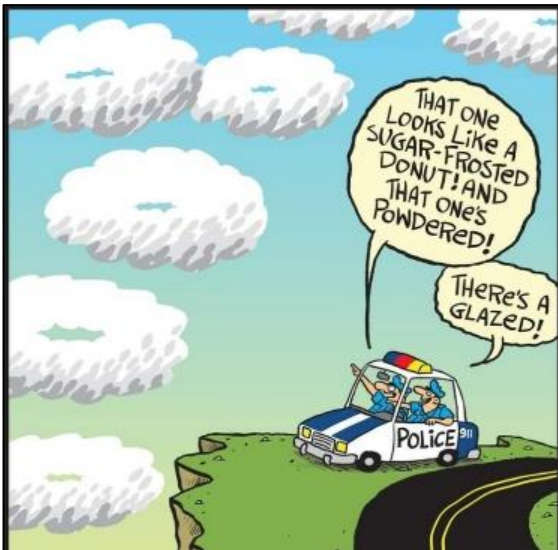
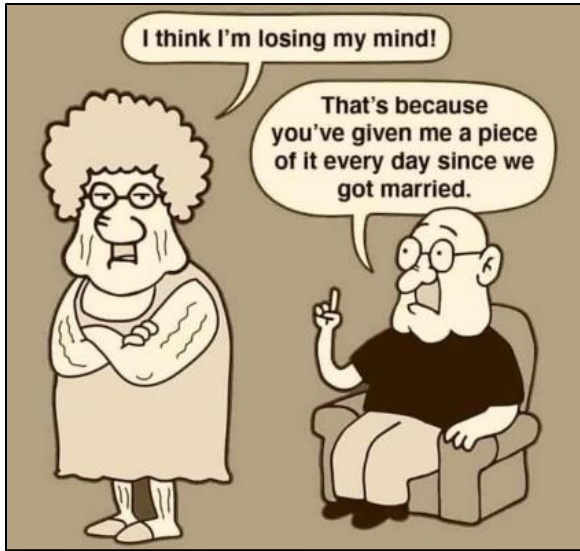
**CASH BAR**

Lunch includes buffet turkey meal, dessert, tea & coffee

Tickets \$55 per person at October or November meeting

Please make cheques payable to  
PROBUS Club of Alliston  
CASH will be accepted. No e-transfers...sorry.

# Humour...



## 2024/2025 Management Committee

President	Gerry Ross
Vice President	Claire Albright
Past President	Ruby Thomas
Secretary	Jo-Anne Hunt
Treasurer	Ruby Thomas
Membership Coordinator	Mary Willard
AV Team	Allyn Willard, Peter Krol, Ron Wise
Communications/Webmaster	Mary Willard
Events & Excursions	Linda Hostrawser-Ball, Joan Fellows, Wendy Masters, Judy Temple, Mary Willard
Luncheons	Midge Facciol, Bev Hughes
Meeting Coordinator	Dave Randell
Membership	Mary Willard, Sheila Garriock
Photographer	Bev Hughes
PROBUS Reporter	Allyn Willard
Share the Wealth	Diane Haynes, Barb Murney
Show & Tell	Roger Setka, Roy Snipe
Speakers Committee	Pat Thompson, Judy Pretty, Sharron Smith
Sunshine and Clouds	Sue Waterman
Zoom Master	Allyn Willard

If you have moved or changed your email or phone number, please notify Mary Willard at [probuscluballiston@gmail.com](mailto:probuscluballiston@gmail.com) so that we can keep our records up to date.

If you have pictures or stories you would like to share with your friends at PROBUS, please email to Allyn Willard at:  
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