

Probus Club of Burlington



Newsletter

August 2023

Coming up at our *August 17th* meeting Rob Hamilton will give a presentation on Hearing & Hearing Loss



Rob is the clinic owner and clinician at Hearing Well Matters.

He has worked in Canadian healthcare for over 30 years, and most recently served as the Canadian Managing Director at Starkey Hearing Technologies, one of the leading global manufacturers of hearing instruments. While at Starkey, he led all facets of the business and he worked with many Canadian clinicians and patients, developing a passion for helping patients living with hearing loss. This led him to seek qualification as a Hearing Instrument Specialist, and he graduated with distinction from the HIS program at Conestoga College. Rob is fully accredited as a H.I.S. with the Association of Hearing Instrument Practitioners of Ontario.

Rob brings a special understanding of assessing and treating patients living with hearing loss. He recently turned 60 years of age, and like many of his Baby Boomer generation, he lives with high frequency hearing loss and benefits greatly from wearing hearing aids. This provides him insight and empathy into what adult hearing loss patients go through, and the features and benefits of modern hearing instruments and their related accessories.

Rob is married to Debbie, and between them, they have six young adult children and two grand-kids. He has made Burlington and the Maple community his home for over 20 years, and has been an active in the community, coaching his children in hockey (BLOMHA) and baseball (BOMBA), as well serving as a Board Director at Joseph Brant Hospital from 2009-2018.

Rob is passionate about helping Burlington patients who live with hearing loss, and is a strong believer that truly Hearing Well Matters!

Upcoming Speakers

21 September – Dr. David Chandross AI and the Future of Mankind

19 October – TBD

16 November - Chris Leworthy Dieppe raid

President's message

Our second monthly breakfast meeting was held on Thursday 6 July at the Harvest Table on Fairview Street. The food was very good with excellent and quick service. We sat in a nice quiet spot at a long table that easily sat 12 of us - I think the table could easily handle a few more. The next breakfast is scheduled for Thursday 3 Aug 8:30 AM. The breakfasts are being held just prior to the Management Committee monthly meetings so it's a good opportunity to chat with committee members about any ideas or concerns you have.

Well, gentlemen, it's all about the September trial move of the monthly Club meeting to the Burlington Central Library's Centennial Hall. The most important change to current procedures is that there will no longer be a "badge board" at the meetings for storing your PROBUS badges as there is no space available for storing it. **PLEASE REMEMBER TO TAKE YOUR BADGE HOME AFTER THE AUGUST CLUB MEETING AT THE ART GALLERY. FOR THOSE NOT ABLE TO ATTEND THE AUGUST MEETING, WE WILL BRING THE BADGE BOARD TO THE SEPTEMBER MEETING ONLY.**

Elsewhere in the newsletter you will find detailed information about the Library's location, all the parking locations (free) and directions as to where the Centennial Hall is located within the library. Again, we will have free sponsored coffee. I'm really looking forward to seeing how Centennial Hall works out for us, particularly the major cost savings. We've made backup plans so we can go back to the Art Gallery if necessary.

By the way, Keith Dobson, our First Vice President, will be presiding at the August Club meeting as I'll be overseas "following the Trail of the Vikings". See you all in September.

Cheers, Chris

President Probus Men's club of Burlington

Greeters wanted!

Are you new(ish) to the Probus Club? Do you see a lot of faces that you would like to get to know better? Then you will enjoy becoming one of our greeters! All you need to do is arrive at 9:30 and shake hands! Contact either Keith Dobson kdobson1257@gmail.com or Ian MacIntyre macdaddy0087@gmail.com to get your name on the list.



Social Events

OUTLAW Foster Festival Outing and Jenny's House of Joy next outing

We had 28 people attend the Outlaw play on June 21. The venue had changed to Balls Falls Conservation Area and I would say the change was nothing but positive for us. The Balls Falls Historic Village was a very pretty location and the picnic area was fine. It was also at least 1/2 hour closer. Unfortunately, we had a very warm day and inside the barn was very hot. Who knew a barn built in the 1800's would not be air conditioned!! As to the play itself I had nothing but positive feedback. A very interesting development of the Canadian character versus the American character and the educated versus the uneducated. Very apropos for the current environment.

The play has a companion play called Jenny's House of Joy and Norm Foster has intertwined the two plays which took place in the same town at the same time. The second play is going to take place at a very nice venue at the theatre at Ridley College in St Catherine's and we are looking at going Wednesday August 9 or Thursday August 10. And it's air conditioned!!! Being a typical Norm Foster play you can expect plenty of chuckles and twists and turns!

I would appreciate all those who wish to attend to [email me at je.jones@cogeco.ca](mailto:je.jones@cogeco.ca) asap so I can get a count on the number of tickets to order. Thanks

Jim Jones

Future Events

Join us for a night of Lawn Bowling instruction, Wednesday August 2, 2023 7:00pm

At the Burlington Lawn Bowling Club in Central Park

Bring a pair of running shoes. Bowls and Instructions provided. No Charge

For a head count -RSVP Dave Rokosh at rokoshda@gmail.com or 905 630 8429

-Brigadoon at the Shaw Nov 23rd. For details click [here](#)

-Holiday luncheon December 11th. For details click [here](#)

PROBUS CLUB OF BURLINGTON BREAKFAST

All club members welcomed



at
HARVEST TABLE
3350 FAIRVIEW AVENUE

THURSDAY AUGUST 3rd
8:30am

Coffee Sponsor



'For the July meeting we thank Mary Dilly for sponsoring our coffee. Mary Dilly is the owner of Downsizing Solutions, a full-service downsizing and moving company. Mary's team specializes in working with seniors who are downsizing to smaller accommodations or retirement living. Mary supports Halton Women's Place with donations of furniture that her clients can't take with them to their new homes.' Website: <https://downsizingsolutions.ca>

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WE'RE MOVING EFFECTIVE THE SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING



**BURLINGTON
CENTRAL LIBRARY**



CENTENNIAL HALL



**WILL NOW HAVE
FREE PARKING**

2331 NEW STREET / PARKING IS BEHIND THE BUILDING

WE'RE MOVING TO A NEW LOCATION IN SEPTEMBER

As has been announced, at the last couple of meetings, our monthly meetings are moving to a new location. Commencing with the Thursday September 21 meeting we will meet at the Burlington Central Library which is located at 2331 New Street (just west of Guelph Line). The primary reason for the move is financial as the new location will save us over \$2,500.00 per year and provide each of us FREE PARKING (No more parking meter to deal with).

Here are some details around how to find the new location / meeting room:

- **CENTRAL LIBRARY LOCATED AT:** 2331 NEW STREET (less than a KM west of Guelph Line)
- **MEETING ROOM NAME:** CENTENNIAL HALL
- The parking lot is located behind the library and can be accessed by turning north onto Teen Tour Way. Just past the Burlington Music Centre (on the right-hand side of the street) turn right into the library parking lot (there is a sign so watch for it).
- There is also a parking lot at the north end of the building if the first (south) lot looks full
- You can click on this [Google map link](#) for the Burlington Central Library
- Once parked enter the library through the back door (fully accessible & library doors open at 9 AM)
- Once inside walk straight ahead, past the Information Desk on the right, and watch for signs showing Centennial Hall
- Just past the Information Desk you will turn left and walk down a short hallway.
- Centennial Hall is located at the end of the hallway.

We look forward to everyone coming out and enjoying meeting at our new location. Consistent with today coffee and water will be provided.

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Computer Interest Group (On summer break resuming in September)



We are a joint, Burlington and Lakeshore Probus Club group, who get together to discuss current developments in the computer fields and help solve each others computer related issues. We meet the 4th Thursday of the month at 10 am (one week after our regular Probus meeting). Currently we meet via Zoom but plan to get back to live meetings later in the Spring. The cost is free until we go to live meetings. If you would like to join us please email Bob Dickison at rgdickison@gmail.com and he will add you to our email list.

Do you have a major milestone to share?

If you have a major milestone birthday, anniversary or some other major event you would like to share with our members send them to Gary Hindley at Ghindley1@gmail.com to get them published in the next newsletter.

Do you enjoy being a member of Probus?



If you do, then, no doubt you have friends who would also like Probus. Do them a favor and invite them to join you as a guest at one of our meetings. We have many interesting speakers over the next few months!

Should you need an application form for friends who would like to join us this year, you can visit our website at <https://www.probusclubofburlington.ca/> or email Ian MacIntyre at macdaddy0087@gmail.com

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