



## The PROBUS Club of Guelph and District

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### February 2021 Newsletter

#### Feb. 10th PROBUS Meeting Online via Zoom

We invite you to join our Monthly PROBUS meeting via ZOOM on Wednesday February 10 between 9:00 and 9:15 for our 9:30 am meeting. See **Zoom Masters' Corner**, below, for login details. Our speaker is Robert Pavlis, a master gardener, who will present design decisions for a variety of garden types.

#### President's Greeting

Submitted by Donna Sunter

On behalf of the Management Committee, I'm very pleased to announce that Kathryn Greenaway has accepted the position of Second Vice President. Having Kathryn on our management committee is indeed a boon to PROBUS Guelph.

During this past year, Bill Greenaway (brother to Kathryn, in case you're wondering) has not only used his private Zoom subscription to keep this club connected but has also managed our Zoom meetings. He did a fantastic job of getting PROBUS Guelph's virtual meetings up and running. We are very grateful to him.

The club now has its own subscription with volunteer Zoom Masters, Judy Carrick and David Churchill, working on ways to use Zoom to get us together while keeping us apart during the pandemic. We have a new section in this newsletter: **Zoom Masters' Corner**. Read that for format changes in upcoming meetings. Judy and David are excited about new ways to use Zoom. Fingers crossed it all goes smoothly!

President,

Donna Sunter

## Zoom Masters' Corner

submitted by Judy Carrick and David Churchill

We now have our own **Probus** Zoom subscription with Judy Carrick and David Churchill working on ways for keeping us connected during the pandemic.

Click on this link to join the February 10 meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEvdeisqzkrEtdJaY5QKgTv3atUwjXr8lYP>

If the link does not work for you, you can open the Zoom app and click on "Join ". Enter the Meeting ID number 852 2145 2183 and Password 297373.

Alternatively, you can join by phone by calling 1-647-558-0588 and entering the Meeting ID. Please note that long distance charges may apply if you use the phone option.

If you did not receive an invitation to the meeting, you should check your junk/spam folder.

If Zoom is not installed on your computer, you will be prompted to download the application. If you do have Zoom but a newer version is available, you will be prompted to update to the newest version.

- **NEW TIME!!!!** Please log in between 9:00 & 9:15 am for a social time before the 9:30 meeting. You will be required to sign in the first time you log onto our new Zoom account. You will be asked for your name(s) and e-mail address. Please enter both your first name (as per your badge i.e., "Bill"), and last name. If you are a couple, enter both of your names so that they will both be displayed with your video picture.
- As you sign in, you will be assigned to a 'Breakout Room' with a few others to chat prior to the start of the meeting. It will be the Zoom equivalent of sitting at a round table at the Cutten Fields.

**Program Committee**

Submitted by Kathy Stephens

Our February speaker will be Robert Pavlis, a master gardener and owner and developer of Aspen Grove Gardens, a five-acre garden started in 2005. Mr. Pavlis will present design decisions for converting a property that had no gardens, into one that has extensive gardens, including both a dry and a wet waterfall, pond, sunny perennial gardens, shade gardens, rock gardens and shrub gardens. Before and after pictures will be used to discuss the reasons behind the design decisions.

Published books: *Garden Myths*, *Soil Science for Gardener* and *Building Natural Ponds*

Blogs: *Garden Myths* and *Garden Fundamentals*

YouTube Channel: *Garden Fundamentals*

Facebook Groups: Garden Fundamentals, Building Natural Ponds

Our January speaker was Tom Watson who provided an amusing and uplifting story called "Life in Our town" He was introduced by Lu Eccles and thanked by Bob Eccles.

### Activities Committee

Submitted by Barbara Moldenhauer

For all those tired of this Pandemic.....Linda and I are thinking a Cooking Demonstration offered by Donna-Marie Pye from Relish Cooking Studio, might be just the thing to inspire us to "change up" our "same-old, same-old" evening meal!!! In the next few days, you will be receiving an email with full information.

And, I know for many, staying home means reading books. Might we have a booklover who would be willing to lead a Probus Book Club?

As soon as the stay-at-home order is lifted the Walking Group will be out again! We walk on trails within the City and are mindful of social-distancing rules. Mondays, 10 am to noonish. Please contact me if you would like your name added to my list.

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## **Membership Committee**

Submitted by Jacquie Geall Seabrook

We have 163 members enjoying this club to the fullest possible, given this pandemic. At our next meeting, February 10, we will be inducting a new member, Sue Narducci. It is wonderful to be part of such a strong organization full of folks dedicated to keeping the community alive and well. Thanks for your continued interest and support.

## **Management Committee**

President: Donna Sunter, Vice-President: Fred Dawkins, Second Vice-President: Kathryn Greenaway, Past-President: John Theis, Treasurer: Judy Carrick, Secretary: Beth Harris, Membership Chair: Jacquie Geall-Seabrooks, House Committee: Jarka Rasper and Barbara Stevens, Program Committee Chair: Kathy Stephens, Activities Committee Chairs: Barb Moldenhauer and Linda Denny, Speaker Support Committee Chair: David Churchill, Newsletter Editor: Ruth Slavin, Web Masters: Judy Carrick & David Churchill