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NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

June 1, 2021

via ZOOM WEBINAR MEMBER INVITATION ONLY

Speaker and Topic: Susan Cook

Director of the Blue Mountain Foundation of the Arts



President's Corner

I hope this newsletter finds you all in good health and good spirits (not the alcohol kind but if this works all the better.)

We are soon coming to the end of the latest lockdown (hopefully) and it would be great to be able to get outdoors freely now that the nice weather is here.



I am very pleased to announce that Jayne Edwards has stepped forward and agreed to fill the vacant position of New Member Ambassador. Many thanks goes out to Jayne. I know that the membership will provide her with any and all support that may be needed.

This is a perfect lead in to our other positions on the executive team that will be vacated at the end of August, as the new executive will be taking over effective September. The positions that we need you, the membership to step forward to fill are.....Vice President / Social Chairperson (we need other individuals to assist on the Social Committee as well) / Secretary / Coffee & Refreshments. How about some of our new members.....this would be a perfect opportunity to really become immersed in the club activities.....and have fun doing it. If you are interested in any of these positions please sent me an email. Rhanson99roggers.com. I would rather not have to beg for involvement, however I will if I have to. You may be getting a phone call from me to twist your arm.

Now for something a little more upbeat.....your executive team is investigating the possibility of I am not able to provide any details as the plans are just being put in place in the event that we are OK to have a large gathering. But what I will tell you is to keep August 2nd open and pray to the weather gods for good weather.

STAY SAFE / STAY CONNECTED / AND PLEASE VOLUNTEER

Best Regards!

Ron Hanson

“NUGGET OF KNOWLEDGE”

WHY IS THE IRISH GIFT OF GAB CALLED “BLARNEY”?

Kissing the Blarney Stone at Blarney Castle near Cork, Ireland, is supposed to transfer the gift of gab to the kisser, but the idea that the word blarney meant a smooth talker came from the mouth of Elizabeth I of England in 1602. She had insisted the Dermot McCarthy surrender Blarney Castle as proof of his loyalty, but he kept coming up with excuses --- so many excuses, in fact, that the Queen once exclaimed in exasperation, “ODDS BODKINS, MORE BLARNEY TALK.”

And now you Know

President, Beachcombes Probus

YOUR CLUB REPORTS

SPEAKER

June introduces Ms Susan Cook Director of the Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts. She will be speaking in her capacity of chairing the arts initiative section for South Georgian Bay on behalf of the Institute of South Georgian Bay

July Simcoe Health Unit (tentative)

August John Fisher from the Provincial Park (tentative)

TREASURER

As of May 19, 2021, Beachcombers Probus has a bank balance of \$5,040.67 .

MEMBERS NEEDED

- Vice President
- Social Chairperson (we need other individuals to assist on the Social Committee as well
- Coffee & Refreshments
- Secretary

Susan Mogelin and her partner Malcom, have offered to take over the duties of Membership for next year. Thank you.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

If you want to join a group, call the convener listed below. If you wish to start a new group, speak to the **Management Team**.

[PM Luncheon Cuisiniers](#)

Joan Porter - 429-9260

[Genealogy](#)

Barb Christie - 429-1749

[First Edition](#)

Sharon Wood – 429-4691

[The Bookies](#)

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[Kitchen Bridge
Vacant](#)

[Euchre Night](#)

Jayne Edwards – 422-0793

Doug McCullough - 429-7075

[Book Exchange
Vacant](#)

[Dinner & a Movie
Vacant](#)

June Guest Speaker



Susan will be sharing information about her role in heading the arts strategy for the Georgian Bay region on behalf of the Institute of South Georgian Bay. Susan Cook is the Arts & Culture Lead.

Southern Georgian Bay has been home to Susan and her family for more than 30 years and she believes in community and the power of lending a helping hand.

Susan has a strong background in administration. She believes in volunteerism and has served on a number of community boards including the United Way, Trinity United Church, My Friends House and most recently became involved in Kiwanis.

Susan represented Perrin Beatty MP as a constituency assistant for four years. She viewed that time as a valuable learning opportunity, working with individuals and community groups to access federal programs and services and advocating on their behalf. She later became immersed in the field of property management for 12 years during which time she was also elected as a public school board trustee for 6 years.

Susan joined the Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts in 2010 as administrator and was later appointed manager of the organization. She has a deep appreciation for art and its creators and strives to present dynamic programming that engages the community. She loves working with creative minds, supporting and generating new ideas and is a passionate defender of arts and culture.

Her passion for nature and animals is always present and often evident. She is an equestrian and avid hiker.

The Blue Mountain Foundation for the Arts is the leading voice in the Arts in South Georgian Bay

- promotes excellence in the visual arts community
- provides educational and creative opportunities to promote and assist in the development of local and regional artists.

Annual events include: the Robert G. Kemp Arts Award * the Murray J. Clerkson Arts Award * Juried Art/Craft Exhibition and Sale in April; Winter Gift show * guest artist series * Collingwood Arts and Music Festival Civic holiday weekend * Photo Show in October * art classes for children and adults

Meeting facility holds 25 people max * bookings available for daytime only * meeting space at Art Gallery holds 50 - 110 people, available anytime including evenings.

A message from your Social Committee chair Doug McCullough

Trivial Pursuit

The date for Trivia Night is **June 17, 2021 at 8pm**, which will be once again using Zoom. The Zoom invitations are going out to all participants shortly.

You will need the Zoom app on your device (computer, laptop or tablet) to sign on to participate.

In May we had 3 teams of 7 players. Each team was moved over to their perspective room and given 10 questions with a time limit to answer the questions in their group (10 Minutes or so) then they switched back to the main room to gave their answers. A team captain on the team gave the answers to the moderator who kept tabs on the answers and tallied the score.

It was then repeat. We ran 3 rounds of 10 questions each, and the round took approx. 1.5 hours per night.

Members if you are interested in getting in on this new adventure please let me know via email ASAP I am looking for more participants for the June session. There are many other PROBUS Clubs doing this and it is working out well.

I recently had the opportunity to get a first hand look at this as a guest 1 night and on this concept it took 2 hours to run and it was really fun evening. I would like to get this Trivia show on the road for end of February (separate night as to the General Meeting).

Please let me know if you are interested in signing up? Thank you. Sign up at

dougmcclough13@rogers.com . Once

you register with us we will respond with an email invitation to participate in a Zoom instruction night as to what and how we will proceed. On your part it is very easy. Just show up with a head fun of knowledge and be ready to answer some general questions in an team environment. For now space is limited so please respond ASAP.



The Social Committee is also seeking interested members that might want to be on a Digital Social Committee to get some more events going on ie Book Club, Bridge Club, Euchre or anything else they you will like to see offered. Just email Doug McCullough at dougmcclough13@rogers.com

BRAIN TEASERS:

We are having a great response from our members sending in answers so send them in early to be crowned the winner.

LAST MONTHS WINNER:



Joanne Scruton



MAY QUESTION:

In a year, there are 12 months. Seven months have 31 days. How many months have 28 days?

ANSWER: all the months have 28 days

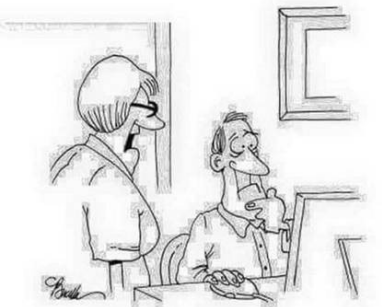
JUNE QUESTION:

Arnold Schwarzenegger has a long one. Michael J. Fox has a short one. Madonna doesn't use hers. Bill Clinton always uses his. The Pope never uses his. What is it?

If you think you have the answer please email it to beachcombersprobus@gmail.com

SMILES FOR TODAY

(Thanks to Gail Desormeaux)



"What do you mean, you forgot where you parked? You're shopping online."



"I hope you don't mind, but I used the computer to remove all those age spots and that hideous mole you have."



Note: Submissions for the July Newsletter should be sent to

beachcombersprobus@gmail.com **by June 20, 2021**