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Also if you want to communicate with
any one of us just send an email to

beachcombersprobus@gmail.com

NEXT GENERAL MEETING:

April 2, 2024

at the RecPlex at 10 AM

Speaker: Ross Hart

Topic: To discuss Canadian Hearing Services

Beachcombers are Going Green: save us from purchasing foam/paper cups: Please bring your Probus or personal mugs each meeting! Buying foam cups too expensive now. 1 extra 50/50 ticket per person, to the member who brings their mug! Cup cost is \$1.00; replacement mug is \$10.00.

President's Corner

Welcome Back Snowbirds



The Beachcombers Probus Club welcomes our Snowbirds home again.

Spring is here and the weather is improving every day. The Robins, Cardinals and even a few bunnies are dropping into our gardens.

This month I want to encourage everyone to sign up for all the club has to offer.

We have a Genealogy Club who meets at the new library so your search for family of the past is free, and you do it with new friends.

At our General Monthly meeting coffee breaks I suggest you go to Lynn and the friendly volunteers at the sign-up table for all our upcoming social events, local trips, musicals and more.

We welcome new members every month so bring along a new retiree as your guest to the meeting. This is the best time of our lives so let's have some fun together and make new friends.

Sincerely,

Patricia Copland

Beachcombers Probus Club President

"NUGGET OF KNOWLEDGE"

WHY DO WE CALL A BAD ACTOR A "HAM" AND A SILLY COMIC "SLAPSTICK"???

In the late nineteenth century, second-rate actors couldn't afford cold cream to remove their stage makeup, so they used ham fat and were called hamfatters until early in the twentieth century when these bad actors were simply called "hams". Physical comedy became known as "slapstick" because of its regular use of crude sound effects: two sticks were slapped together off-stage to accentuate a comic's on stage pratfall (prat being an Old English term for buttocks).

AND NOW YOU KNOW!!!

Submitted by Ron Hanson

YOUR CLUB REPORTS:

Reminder: Your Web Site beachcombersprobus.com

I want to thank everyone who, so far has applied a password to their log in at the Beachcombers Probus web site. Please visit our web site periodically to get all of the up to the minute information, new photos or new videos. We are over 9200 visits as of this writing. The Home Page usually has content that is very recent. While the Social Events has photos and information of previous social events. Photos of our past monthly meetings can be seen when you click the tab Monthly General Meetings. Many of our Monthly Newsletters from past years can be seen under the Monthly Newsletters tab. Just pick a year and then a month. If you want to become a member just click on the tab Interested in Becoming a Member. All the information is there for you. Under the More tab is the past, SIG (Special Interest Groups) and a place if you want to contact us.

Just go to beachcombersprobus.com to get all the information.

Carrol Lysk will be in charge of keeping SIG sheets current and will advise the coordinators of any additions made at the monthly meetings or determine if a new group is required. Contact her at sig@beachcombersprobus.com for further information.

If there is a new Special Interest Group that has been started, please consider being a coordinator if you are joining it. If you would like more information on what would be involved please speak to Carrol at the Social group table.

MARCH

CLUB EVENTS

MARCH 4, 2024 GENERAL MEETING



Guest speaker John Arnone
Topic: Beatles Great Canadian Adventure



50/50 Draw: \$39 each was won by

Peter Zammit and Wesley Ferdis



April 2, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS: **GENERAL MEETING AT THE RECPLEX AT 10AM**

Speaker: Ross Hart

Topic: "Introduction to Hearing Loss after 50 or Why is the TV So Loud?"

I work for Canadian Hearing Services as a counsellor assisting people aged 55 and over who have acquired hearing loss or what is often known as being hard of hearing.

I began working in this role in Eastern Ontario in 2008 and now throughout Simcoe County and area for the last 12 years. I support people who need honest unbiased education on hearing loss and to better understand their challenges,. The challenge is there is no one solution. Every person's hearing loss is unique to them. The Hearing Care Counselling Program is funded in part by the Ministry of Health. This allows me to meet with people in their homes without cost, to assist them with whatever their hearing challenges may be. The largest part of my job is education, providing people with an understand what has changed. From there we look for solutions that suit each individual

April 2, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **HAND FOOT & ELBOW COUPLES**

They meet the 1st Tuesday of the month after Probus and lunch at Pizza Dees. Co-Ordinator: Kathy Zacks or treasurer@beachcombersprobus.com

April 3, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **EUCHRE**



For the new Euchre season we will be playing on the First and Third Wednesday of each month between 1 and 4ish. If we can get a few more players we will have 3 tables of no more than 12 players plus a few spares for each group. We enjoy lots of laughs and don't take the game too seriously. We also have a list of spares who are called on when needed.

interested in joining us, please contact us. Jayne Edward or Doug McCullough or information or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

APRIL

Club Events (cont'd)

April 10, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **SIPS AND SNACKS APPETIZER CLUB**

They meet the second Wednesday of the month **Time: 5:00 to 7:00** contact Donna Durham or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

April 10, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **ROMEO GROUP**

They meet the second Wednesday of the month at various locations. Co-Ordinator: Rudy Hochkirchen or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

April 17, 2024

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April 18, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS: **SOCIAL**

Georgian Bowl Collingwood – 1 PM - \$15.00 pp 2 games incl shoes

\$15 payment to be made at April meeting - **cash please**

April 24, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **HAND FOOT & ELBOW LADIES**

They meet the last Wednesday of the month at member's houses

Co-Ordinator: Cindy Payne or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

April 30, 2024

Beachcombers PROBUS SIG: **BEACHCOMBERS LADIES LUNCHEON GROUP**

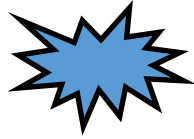
They meet the last Tuesday of the month at various locations. Co-Ordinator: Joyce Frost or sig@beachcombersprobus.com

APRIL

CLUB EVENTS (con't)



BRAIN TEASERS



Andrea Ferdis



LAST MONTHS WINNER:

Last Month's Question and Answer

QUESTION: There is a word in the English language in which the first two letters signify a male, the first three letters signify a female, the first four signify a great man, and the whole word, a great woman. What is the word?

ANSWER: Heroine

This Month's Question

QUESTION:

In my hand I have two coins that are newly minted. Together, they total 30 cents. One isn't a nickel. What are the coin?

If you think you have the answer please email it to

newsletter@beachcombersprobus.com

SMILE OF THE DAY

(Thanks to Jim Cunningham)

The Black-Eyed Peas can sing us a song ...
But the chick peas can only hummus one.

Then there was the time Fruit of the Loom took Hanes to court...
It was a brief case.

How much does a chimney cost?
Nothing, it's on the house.

My friend said she wouldn't eat cow's tongue because it came out of a cow's mouth.
I gave her an egg.

Once upon a time there was a King who was only 12 inches tall.
He was a terrible King but he made a great ruler.

Ran out of toilet paper and now using lettuce leaves.
Today was just the tip of the iceberg, and tomorrow remains to be seen.

My friend Jack says he can communicate with vegetables.
That's right...Jack and the beans talk.

Note: Submissions for the May Newsletter should be sent to

newsletter@beachcombersprobus.com by **April 20, 2024**