Bolton and District Probus Club

Goodbye Summer, Hello Fall!

Dear Probus Friends,

November is one of the most festival-filled months of the year, with celebrations ranging from religious holidays and cultural traditions to food, music, and light festivals. In the UK, we always participated in Bonfire Night commemorating Guy Fawkes's attempt to blow up the British Houses of Parliament and of course in the USA Thanksgiving reunites family and friends. Other Celebrations are:

- Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) – Mexico
- Diwali (Festival of Lights) –Worldwide which celebrates the triumph of light over darkness.
- Loy Krathong & Yi Peng – Thailand Famous lantern festivals held during the November full moon with symbols of letting go of negativity and welcoming good fortune.
- All Souls' Day – November 2. A time to remember deceased family members and friends.
- Dev Deepawali – Varanasi, India A spectacle with the Ganges River illuminated by oil lamps.
- Others are Pushkar Camel Fair – Rajasthan, India, Lopburi Monkey Banquet Festival – Thailand, Bon Om Touk (Cambodian Water Festival), Amsterdam Light Festival, Iceland Airwaves, and the Melbourne Cup Day – Australia, known as "the race that stops a nation."

Most notable for many of us, is the Remembrance Celebrations around November 11th. Armistice Day when on the 11th day of the 11th month at 11am in 1918, the first World War came to an end. Our November meeting will feature a speaker from the armed forces talking about the Battle of Vimy Ridge in April 1917. Whatever your culture and beliefs, I wish you light in your life and positivity and good fortune in your future.

Our December meeting is our "Holiday" meeting on the 3rd with musical entertainment and a Potluck Lunch. There will be sign up sheets on Thursday. We are looking for appetisers, main course dishes and of course deserts, please note that our capacity for hot dishes is limited by the electrical supply and they should go into the kitchen. The lunch will start at 11:30 approximately.

I look forward to seeing everyone on November 12th, followed by lunch at Pur Simple. Until then, enjoy the colours of the season, the company of family and friends, and all the blessings that autumn brings.

Warm regards,

Graham

PROBUS 2026 FALL – ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REQUIRING SIGN UP

EVENTS AND OUTINGS COMMITTEE

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Monday night at the movies: Christine Williams chrisw205157@gmail.com

Sounds like an interesting movie. After the movie we are going to dinner.

We will meet in the lobby of the theatre before we head out.

NOVEMBER

Saturday Nov 14 Matinee – Town Hall Players Theatre - Caledon Village
'JACK OF DIAMONDS' - SUBJECT TO TICKET AVAILABILITY

Monday November 9th Monday Night Movie 4:30 Orangeville
Run Terry Run followed by going to Boston Pizza
https://mondaynightmovies.ca/2026-2027/run-terry-run/
Run Terry Run | Monday Night at the Movies

Monday November 16 - Monday Night Movie 4:30 Orangeville
'THE PRESIDENT'S CAKE'
The President's Cake | Monday Night at the Movies
https://mondaynightmovies.ca/2026-2027/the-presidents-cake/

DECEMBER

Thursday Dec 3 – Holiday Meeting with Entertainment and Festive Potluck Lunch

Website: https://www.iamangelica.com/

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/angelicaganea

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/angelicaganea

Monday December 7 - Monday Night Movie - 4:30 Orangeville
'DANCING ON THE ELEPHANT'
https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?q=dancing%20on%20the%20elephant%20movie&mid=7F0A9CA67EFBD7B87BCF7F0A9CA67EFBD7B87BCF&ajaxhist=0

Sun Dec 13th Caledon Concert Band 'JINGLE ALL THE WAY' - 3 pm

Cost $15 in advance

Luncheon at Villa Caledon Inn 1 pm

Kitchen Capers to Resume in 2027 as there were no suitable dates offered this fall

Next Meeting January 13, 2027

Breaking news: our new website is up and running and looking good. Take a look at: https://probusbolton.ca/

The Probus "Men's" Coffee Group

The Men's group continues to meet at Coffee Time at 10:00 am on the 4th Thursday of each month. The next meeting is on November 26th to extend Probus Fellowship further. They are looking forward to seeing new faces.

On November 12th we will be going to https://locations.pursimple.com/ca/on/bolton/12788-hwy-50 for lunch
Thank you to Irene Arnold and Christine Williams for taking on organising this.

Our Speaker for November is Richard Towey presenting on Vimy Ridge.

He is the:

Director/Curator of The Museum of The Royal Regiment of Canada

On 15th of October a group of our members followed the Fall Colour Tour which was designed and led by Stan East and his wife Adele Leaney East, followed by lunch at the Brampton Caledon Flying Club. It was very cleverly thought out to include unusual roads, and we want to thank him very much for organising it.

No photos (as it was dark) but several members were treated to a viewing of Saturn with rings and the moon by Ron Mcnaughton and his friend, Phil. Both are so very knowledgeable and extremely patient. A huge thank you to both of them.











The Probus Club of Woodbridge are arranging this trip. Any interest?



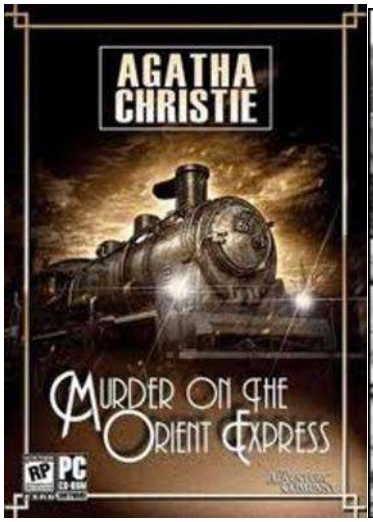
From Chuck Heroux;
Our planning to celebrate Probus Canada's 40th Anniversary in 2027 is progressing nicely. More on that will be relayed in the coming months.

One of the first, highly requested, components of our plan is to offer anniversary logoed merchandise via an online store. We have partnered with a small Canadian entrepreneur, Ladybug Designs, to offer the following logoed items:

- sweaters
- hoodies and sweatshirts
- t-shirts
- polo shirts
- baseball caps
- coffee mugs
- travel tumblers
- tote bags
- playing cards (as a bulk order)
- collector pins will be offered in late October

With Christmas approaching, you might wish to make a gift purchase for your favourite Probian. There is free shipping being offered on orders over $100, so it might be a good idea to partner up with a Probus buddy or two.
Visit the store today to see what is on offer and check back periodically to see any new items that have been added. You can begin your shopping experience by clicking on:
40th Anniversary Merchandise

Thursday, October 8th – Presentation





We had a fascinating talk titled "Agatha Christie and Archeology" by a very knowledgeable and engaging speaker, Dr. Amy Barron. She gave us the background to so many of the books that are familiar to most of us.





Probus Club Speakers

Date	Speaker	Title
Nov.12	Richard Towey	Vimy Ridge
Dec.3	Christmas Entertainment and fun. Note: this is (as usual) the first week of the month not the second Angelica Ganea | Pop/Classical singer-songwriter & Author >	
Jan. 14th 2027	Nim Nadarajah	AI: cyber risk, cloud security, AI governance and technology effectiveness.
Feb.11th	Raven Murphy	Environmental talk and entertainment
Mar.11th	Ken Weber	
Apr.8th	Lianne Harris	
May 13th	Dr. Ken Shonk	health and laughter
June 10th		

July BBQ time. To be announced

August no meeting

Couldn't resist adding the links to these great holiday ads for a British institution that most of you will be familiar with.

The Home Of Christmas | M&S Christmas Ad 2026 - YouTube

James Norton stars as Santa in new M&S Christmas advert | Radio Times