LATCHAM NEWS

All people know the same truth. Our lives consist of how we choose to distort it.
-Woody Allen

Upcoming Events

Wed. April 12th 1pm

General Meeting with Norma Haney demonstrating 'ideas for your planters.'

Wed., April 26th

Pot Luck Luncheon

Entertainment by UPOPP- Ukulele Players of Port Perry



Vice-President's Message

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter with family and friends and have been enjoying this beautiful sunshine, at long last.

The trip committee are working on some exiting possibilities for the members, such as day trips to the





Foster at the Foster Saturday, Apr. 15, 2:00 & 7:00, Sunday, Apr. 16 at 2:00 See trip notes on the last

page...

Robert McLaughlin Art Gallery May 5th, 7-10, Donation Offer films, music, gallery exhibits, beer & wine, etc.

See trip note on the last page...

McMichael Gallery, Foster Memorial Concerts, see a Toronto Blue Jays game and possibly a weekend trip to Stratford to take in a couple of plays and more.

Please join us at our next General Meeting on Wednesday to learn about our nominees for executive positions, voting will take place in May and the new members will be sworn in at our annual BBQ in June.

Kyle Brough will be teaching tech classes again on Friday afternoons (by appointment) beginning near the end of April. Starting date TBA.

Last, but not least, our President Rita Hilker and member Rita Barrell have successfully applied for, and received, a \$16,000.00 grant from New Horizons Grants for Seniors. The funds are being put towards new storage cabinets, new shuffle equipment, short mat bowl slings, new tables, dollies and presentations. Please join me in a heartfelt thank you to both of these ladies who have spent countless hours in this great accomplishment. Carole Matthews

1st Vice President

Port Perry Seniors Club presents-







LEARN HOW TO FILL A PLANTER!
-WITH NORMA HANEY

Latcham Centre at 1 pm

Wednesday, April 12, 2023

Norma, the past president of the Pine Ridge Garden Club, has won many awards for her designs!

Meet our election slate! Lug a mug!

At our Wednesday April 12th meeting we will be asking the members who volunteered to stand for the club's Executive to tell us a bit about themselves. Since we now have over 400 members with only about 30 or so attending the monthly meetings, we thought it best to ask those steadfast volunteers to write a brief synopsis of their bios for the newsletter. In May we vote and in June, at our annual barbecue, we will instate the new executive. The slate looks like this: President: John Boustead, Katherine Shanks, 1st Veep: Patricia Chamberlain, Susan Micklewright, and Secretary: Denise Tierney.



"We must get together again...sometime after the election."

Bill King

September 13, 1952

Ode to Port Perry

Oh, Port Perry, how sweet the sound Of your lakes and fields all around. A haven for those seeking peace, Where stress and worries finally cease.

Lake Scugog, you jewel so bright Reflecting skies and starts at night. A playground for boaters, swimmers too,

And anglers casting lines anew.

The farmers fields stretch far and wide With crops of corn and wheat inside. Their bounty feeds both beast and man,

And sustains us all throughout the land.

Oh, Port Perry, how rich your history, From First Nations to settlers' industry. Your buildings and streets hold stories old-

Of hardships, triumphs, legends told...

And now as time continues on Your charm and beauty are never gone.

A place to call home, a place to rest, Port Perry you are truly blessed.

A.I.

Katherine Shanks: I have lived in Port Perry for the past five years yet, was a frequent visitor to the community as my mother had moved into one of the West Shore Village bungalows in 2005. During my vacation times, while I was still living in Cairo, Egypt, I would spend considerable time with her attending many interesting and entertaining events offered here throughout the year.

I like to start each day with hope, smiles, love and enthusiasm. I have a warm, friendly and outgoing personality. I am capable, articulate and intuitive, energetic, spirited, passionate, creative and imaginative. I am always able to look at things and see the big picture. Others seek me out to draw on my ability to effectively solve problems and gain perspective. I am willing to give a helping hand, guidance and words of encouragement.

As a former school teacher, I have a skill set which is advantageous in this role. Over the years I have held a number of leadership positions. I am a focused goal setter, patient and empathetic. I am honest, trustworthy and kind. As an amazingly positive person, I work well with others in planning, in organizing, and in implementing shared ideas. I put people around me at ease.

It is important to me to devote some of my time to giving through volunteering. I have served as a volunteer with Community Care Durham, the Uxbridge Library and VON Durham Hospice Services. Now, I am ready to offer my support to the PPSC.

I want to continue to savour the relationships I have built as a member of the PPSC. Friendships and having fun are important to me. For my future, I foresee being able to connect even more with others in the club as the next PPSC President.

John Boustead: I moved to Port Perry from Whitby last year after realizing that both my wife Willy and I wanted to get out of the city. We are both widowed and recently celebrated our 4th anniversary.

Before retiring I spent my professional career in IT support ending up leading a team taking care of corporate networks and and servers.

My outside interests include many different crafts including woodworking, stained glass, and hobby ceramics.

When Willy and I are not gardening or working around the house we enjoy getting out lawn bowling or participating in several activities at the senior centre.

Sue Micklewright: I retired 5 years ago and have lived in Port Perry for close to 20 years.

A geek at heart, I spent over 30 years working in the computer industry. Recently I started to find ways to keep PPSC members awake after the monthly pot lucks by arranging entertainment.

I own a cat named Princess, I never say no to chocolate and have been known to eat cake for breakfast.

Hello! My name is Pat Chamberlain and I am running for 1st Vice President of Port Perry Senior's Club. I have been a member for 10 years and have many happy memories of trips away with the club to St. Jacob's, Casino Rama, and Niagara, and would love to continue these if possible.

Members in Exercise and Gentle exercise will know who I am. I also have learned Mah Jong, tried line dancing (briefly,) and of course love the pot lucks! Three years ago it looked like the Crafters were folding and someone was needed to lead it, so I stepped forward and did so for two years. Now Judy Mitchell leads it very capably.

My experience has shown me that when there is a need at the PPSC people will step forward.

If elected I will listen to your concerns and suggestions and will make sure they are brought before the executive.

My name is Denise Tierney. I moved to Port Perry in 2019 from Barrie and I love living in this beautiful lakeside town.

The highlight of most days are the people I have met and the activities the Senior Centre provides for us all. My husband and I are retired and enjoy travelling for at least a month or more, every year, this year we went to Portugal. I am a member of the Trips Committee and act as its Secretary.

Trips: Our committee has a few car pooling trips lined up, and we've had a visit from Shirlie van Putten for bus trips. On the bulletin board you will see a list of trips Shirlie is offering, with her email address. We've added them because she has some room on the buses and we wanted you to be able to avail yourself of these opportunities. These are not trips that have been put forward by our club, so if you're interested in going contact Shirlie directly. We have used Shirlie many times before and love her trips. Some of these trips will also have PROBUS members going. We have asked Shirlie to arrange an overnight trip for the late summer/fall to Stratford. The last time we went we had a great time!

Upcoming events for Self-Touring Trips

Port Perry Town Hall Theatre https://townhalltheatre.ca

GREASE The Scugog Choral Society April 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 2023 at 8:00 PM April 15, 16, 17, at 2:00 PM Tickets:

Adults \$34

Groups of 6 or more for a single performance: \$30/person

If we have enough interest for the following trips, we can car pool!

Thomas Foster Memorial http://www.thomasfostermemorial.com
9499 Durham Regional Road 1, Uxbridge

Foster at the Foster

Saturday, Apr. 15, 2:00 & 7:00,

Sunday, Apr. 16 at 2:00

Full concert of the timeless melodies of Stephen Foster resounding in the glorious acoustics of the Thomas Foster Memorial

The Robert McLaughlin Gallery https://rmg.on.ca

Civic Centre, 72 Queen Street, Oshawa May 5th, 7-10, Donation Offer films, music, gallery exhibits.

* Keep your eyes on the bulletin for further announcements!

YIKES! UKES!



Join us for a fun pot luck with UPOPPS! That's the Ukulele Players of Port Perry.

some downright silly ones!
Wednesday, April 26th
Latcham Centre
1 pm

Lots of lively tunes and

Lug-a-Mug!