



# PROBUS NEWS



The Probus Club Of Kelowna

PO Box 24094, Lakefront PO, Kelowna V1Y 9P9 (Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. at The Ramada Hotel)

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**AUGUST, 2010**

## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**President:** Art Fletcher, 762-8345

**Past President & Community Liaison:**

Terry Flannigan, 448-0342

**Vice President:** Doug Miller, 861-5275

**Secretary:** Archie Morrison, 869-1719

**Treasurer:** Frank Williams, 769-4541

**Speakers:** Clayton Edgelow 764-5377

**Entertainment:** Mike Henderson, 765-7546

**Membership/BIO Book:** Open

**Newsletter:** Dennis Crotty, 763-9224

Robert Adkins, 763-6345

## HAPPY AUGUST BIRTHDAY TO



1 – Mike Henderson	16 – Bill Bowering
5 – Gordon Dagg	16 – John Sugars
6 – Gavin F. Hamilton	17 – Bob Adkins
6 – Ian Middler	17 – Neil Banks
13 – Bob DeMara	18 – Bill Best
14 – Gordon Lewis	24 – Keith Bright

A belated Happy July 1 birthday to Elmer Cain who was missed on the last newsletter (sorry).

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope you are all enjoying our Okanagan weather And to those who have traveled over the holidays Welcome back. I trust everyone is ready for Another season of PROBUS and I look forward to Seeing you all on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

## NEXT MEETINGS

**Regular Meeting** – August 24, 2010 at 9:30 AM at the Ramada Hotel & Conference Centre. The guest speaker will be Jim Leask (See Speaker's Corner)

**Management Meeting** – August 24, 2010 at 8:15 AM at the Ramada Hotel & Conference Centre

## MEMBERSHIP

Please update your BIO book with the following:

### **New Members:**

**Caesar Turri**, 1748 Highland Drive N., Kelowna, B.C., V1Y 4L1; Telephone 250-762-4510.

**Al Thiel**, 1071 Cascade Pl., Kelowna, B.C., V1V 1M9; Telephone 250-861-9413

**Resignations:** Art Jones, Mike Smith and Marvin Wentzell

A little guy is sitting at the bar just staring at his drink for half an hour when this big trouble-making biker steps next to him, grabs his drink, gulps it down in one swig and then turns to the guy with a menacing stare as if to say 'Watcha gonna do about it?'

The poor little guy starts crying. "Come on man, I was just giving you a hard time," the biker says. "I didn't think you'd CRY. I can't stand to see a man crying."

"This is the worst day of my life," says the little guy, between sobs. "I can't do anything right. I overslept and was late to an important meeting, so my boss fired me. When I went to the parking lot, I found my car was stolen and I don't have any insurance, I left my wallet in the cab I took home. I found my wife in bed with the gardener and my dog bit me. So I came to this bar trying to work up the courage to put an end to my life....and then you show up....and drink the damn poison."

A little boy was attending his first wedding. After the service, his cousin asked him. "How many women can a man marry?" "Sixteen" the boy answered. His cousin was amazed that he had an answer so quickly. "How do you know that?" "Easy," the little boy said. "All you have to do is add it up, like the Bishop said: 4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer, 4 poorer."

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## NOTES FROM THE JUNE

### GENERAL MEETING

President Art opened the meeting with 37 members and 3 guests in attendance. Mike Henderson told us he is still looking for an adequate venue for the pub night and will have more information at our August meeting.

Doug Miller gave us a report on the Probus meeting he attended in Parksville. He had a slide show of some pictures that he had taken. During discussions the idea of our club changing to co-ed surfaced once again. Several present liked the idea. All present were asked to discuss this with their wife/partner and we will discuss it further at our August meetings. (For those of you that were not in attendance, please do the same thing. Let any member of the Management team know your feelings on this subject). President Art said he will take this idea under advisement and will have it discussed at our Management meeting

Our guest speaker, Judge Wilf Klinger was introduced by Dennis Crotty and thanked by Mike Henderson. His address was about sentencing and how he arrives at these sentences. He gave us examples of a few of his cases and commented on other cases that had taken place. We were told what influences decision-making and how some cases are influenced by the various circumstances not directly involved in the case.

Judge Klinger wanted all of us to know that the Criminal Code and the Court of Appeal govern judges

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### TRAVEL INSURANCE PROGRAM

Probus Canada has arranged with a national insurance provider a Probus "Travel + More" benefit plan. The voluntary benefits include:

- Medoc Emergency Out- of- Country Travel Insurance
- Health & Wellness Benefits
- Trip Cancellation/Interruption Insurance

The cost is affordable and anyone wanting further information, we have a letter with expanded details to give out. Please advise Dennis Crotty if you wish a copy.

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## SPEAKER'S CORNER

The speaker for August will be Jim Leask, the President of Geotility Systems Corp. Jim has experience in business management, land development and the design and installation of Ground Source Heat Pumps (GSHP) systems. Mr. Leask has been instrumental in developing the GSHP market in British Columbia and Washington State and currently sits as the Board of Directors of GeoExchange BC. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Earth Energy Society of Canada. Mr. Leask's business experience has removed the economic barriers faced by many developers and owners considering GSHP systems.

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## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has submitted the following members to be presented for election at the September 28 A.G.M.

President – Doug Miller

Vice President – Bill Best

Secretary – Archie Morrison

Treasurer – Frank Williams and Archie Morrison

Speakers – Clayton Edgelow

Membership/BIO Book – Ted Fletcher

Newsletter – Dennis Crotty and Robert Adkins

Community Liaison – Art Fletcher

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## ANNUAL DUES

The dues for the 2010/11-year of \$35.00 are due on August 1, 2010. Please bring a cheque to our August 24 meeting and failing that, mail your cheque to Frank Williams 2232 Bridgeview Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1Z 1C1. Please telephone any member of the Management team if you do not intend to renew.

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A nursery school teacher was delivering a station wagon full of kids home one day when a fire truck zoomed past. Sitting in the front seat of the fire truck was a Dalmatian dog. The children started discussing the dog's duties. "They use him to keep crowds back", said one youngster. "No," said another, "He's just for good luck." A third child brought the argument to a close...."They use the dogs, she said firmly, "to find the fire hydrant."

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