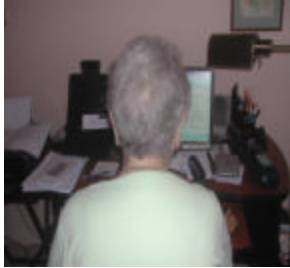


Beginning the Inspiration



JUNEBUG'S BACK

The Probus Club of St. Clair
Street and District, Collingwood, ON
c/o Sue Lowes, Secretary, Box 634, Collingwood, L9Y 4E8
NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2010

*The club meets at the Royal Canadian Legion, Ontario St. at
the Pretty River Parkway, on the last Friday of each month, 9:30
AM to noon*

GUESTS ARE WELCOME

As of August 1, 2010 new officers

- President** Astrid Rutsatz 445-1055 **Past.Pres.** Brian Bailey 445-5659
- Vice-President**
- Sec.-Treasurer** Brian Bailey 445-5659
- Asst. Secretary & Newsletter** June and Bud Crookes 445-4152
- Social** Judy Anthony 446-2390
- Speakers**..... Laura Norberg 446-2517
- Wellness**..... Jean Simpson 446-1646

OPENING WELCOME- There was a good attendance. Brian welcomed Guests and Members and turned the meeting over to our new President Astrid with her management committee as approved last month. O Canada was led by Pam Muir. We sound better (?) every month!

New President Astrid said thank you for her appointment.

Guest – Veronica Miller, who knows many of our members—do join us!

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT- Bank balance of this date - \$1195.74 Your dues if not now paid, are OVERDUE. Brian is still Treasurer and as Secretary, true to form, no Secretary's report! We now have 35 paid up members.

BROTHER CAN YOU SPARE SOME TIME! Four alternates in case of absence are still needed..., (the easy jobs of standby! Contact Brian)and the Vice President is needed also. These pictures show the faithful



supporters in their respective roles last year. Thank you to Sue who held her Secretary post for many years and Harold the Herald for a great effort and wise sayings. Bea has always had caring passion for us all.

Enjoy your "sabbatical" friends - we will need you back!

WELLNESS REPORT- Jim Beattie resides now in Veteran's Hospital and seems to be happy there. Rye Picot and Rose Hughes – soaking up "Rays" on the golf course – trying to keep healthy I guess!

SOCIAL REPORT Contact Judy Anthony (Tel. 446-2390 or judith.anthony@rogers.com) if further information is required.

. Next lunch—Wednesday, September 15. ..12 noon

Either Osler Brook or alternative Beaver and Bulldog.....final details from Judy (phone) by September 7 when she returns!

. Further events discussed – give us your opinion...

Tour to Owen Sound to see Christmas lights,
Wine Tour, Boat Trip on the River, The Sleuth-Gaiety

Len Weeden and Mary came up with a "Chinese Auction" once again. We commend him on being so patient to explain just how it works. Those onions are superb and the stones so cute! What's next?! Congratulations on the new freedom in life!

SPEAKER Wendy Harrington "Trip to Thailand"



Today we were treated to an unusual talk by our own member Wendy Harrington- introduced by Pam Muir.

Wendy has traveled extensively ,

-TAIWAN BEAUTY- is a single Mom, was 42 years in Education, sells ski tickets at Blue Mountain in winter. This time we "visited" Thailand through Wendy's eyes – it felt as if we were there with her! Accompanying her today was friend (Kaitlyn Mesley). Wendy who had never been to Asia before - traveled with Gap Adventures (Canadian Company). There were two tours – North and South trips. She took



- THE WONDERS OF TAIWAN-

part in both. Thailand has never been ruled by an outside power. Their ruler is just a "figurehead" but their King & Queen are very much loved!

The climate is beautiful—three seasons—they grow EVERYTHING. The National sport is Tai Kick Boxing. Buddhist religion, in which both male and females belong as monks, although males are more revered than females. The monks do nothing to care for themselves – they are all fed by the people! They do not belong to the monasteries for life – they can come or leave whenever they wish. The language is extremely complex. Life for the people is simple but religion is very important to them!

Food purchased on the streets is always fresh –and of ones own choice! Everything purchased in Thailand is very inexpensive! The floating markets are great and they are numerous – selling everything! The artistry by the people is very detailed and the people themselves are detail oriented. Wendy showed us a picture of the reclining Buddha – in a reclining position – HUGE in size – made of gold, with Mother of Pearl detail. Most impressive! It fills "wall to wall" in the temple it is situated in! A visit to a Tiger Temple where 18 tigers are kept – cared for by trained monks. When Wendy visited – she was led by a monk – cautioned to be quiet, not to talk – how to approach the animals and how to touch them – no talking and then led away - a real thrill I'm sure !! These animals are not sedated in any way – but with soft, quiet care they become placid with the monks. (However – remember they are still wild tigers if you ever visit!)

A wonderful experience Wendy – we look forward to hearing about your next journey! This was a wonderful experience for us too. Thanked by Laura Norberg with a small gift.

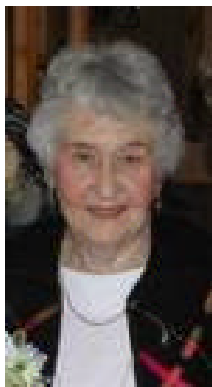
50-50 Winner- Ruth Cornfield - congrats Ruth – you are at the "post" next meeting!

FUTURE SPEAKERS

September - Diana Dolmer "Guatamalan Stove Project"

October - Rob Thornbury Scenic Caves

November - Cathy Miller Going Green



Don't think too long-we're having fun!

*My favorite: We try to remember to tell it as it is.....
It's a breeze if we tell the truth we will have to
remember nothing.*

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