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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ontario is looking very good at the present time, some other places are going the other way, hope you are vaccinated and well protected. Keep following all protocols and be safe, I know that some of you are even more careful than what the protocols are asking us to do, please do what you feel that you have to do.

Our club is looking to have an in-person meeting in August. We can have 100 members at an outdoor meeting, your Management Team has decided that we could have 2 meetings if numbers warrant it, more information to follow in the newsletter. Again, please keep checking the newsletter for our Pickering Probud activities and for upcoming events.

This month we will still have our General Meeting on Zoom. Hoping that we will see you on Wednesday July 28th. We're all excited about having in-person meetings, if we stay healthy, we can continue all of our activities and get our social times, our General Meetings back to a somewhat normal state.

Hoping to see you very soon, all the best.

Jim Hare, President

EDITOR'S NOTE

1. Your ZOOM invitation for our July meeting will be sent out by Monday, July 26th.
2. Watch for a separate email outlining the guidelines for our in-person meeting planned for August.
3. The City of Pickering is asking for residents to participate in a virtual City Centre consultation. Three times are available on August 12 and 14th. Register at [City Centre User Experience | Let's Talk Pickering \(letstalkpickering.ca\)](http://www.cityofpickering.ca/city-centre-user-experience)

Sandy Smiles, Editor

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATES

Joe DeSimone – Vice – President

Re-opening Committee News

It is such good news for us all with the easing of Covid 19 restrictions. Ontario Step 3 began July 16 in which outdoor gathering are allowed a capacity of 100 with social distancing. Our management team had formed a select committee to plan for this opportunity of having a non-zoom general meeting. We are happy to announce that we have selected a date of August 25th for this in-person physical meeting as an outdoor event. It will be held in Esplanade Park. The current protocols request attendance by appointment only and as such we will be sending out invitations for 2 separate time slots in the same day thus allowing for 200 guests. Expect this emailed invitation in early August and your reply is necessary.

The safety of our members is paramount and as such we will be sending out our Probus Club list of protocols and guidelines for this event. Titled, "Soon Together Again", this list will be emailed to each of you very soon. Your cooperation in following these guidelines protects yourselves and those around you.

We are so excited to be able to see the membership in person and happily look forward to this day.

Kathy Borisko – Speakers

Our July speaker is Jamie Cross from GlobalMedic which is a Canadian charity that provides life-saving disaster relief and humanitarian aid. GlobalMedic has been able to respond to 229 disasters in 76 countries including Canada. The organization has provided emergency support such as food, water purification/hygiene, shelter, and medical services to over 3.6 million people in need.

Marilyn Werry – Activities Co-ordinator

SPOTLIGHT ON ACTIVITIES - JULY 2021

Our gradual return to "normal" has begun and it is exciting to think that we might soon be able to return to in person activities! Thanks to the group leaders and all of you who have supported the Zoom programs over the past months. It is an excellent way to stay connected with our Probus friends and have fun at the same time. Please check the list of Activities below for any of interest to you. As always, I am open to new suggestions and welcome your input and participation. Hope to see you all before long!

R.O.D.E.O. (Retired Old Dames Eating Out)

Monday, July 26 at noon

Due to COVID restrictions only advanced signups will be accepted for now.

Contact: Debbie Cox d_c_cox@hotmail.com

GARDEN CLUB

Monday, July 26 at 4:00 p.m.

Enjoy a visit to Pearl Gardens to see the variety of beautiful day lilies in the lovely gardens of Brian and Diane Jones, Greenbank. Stay tuned in August for "Gardening with the Birds" presented by Durham Master Gardeners.

Contact: Jacqueline Mollaret mjmollaret@gmail.com

KITCHEN BRIDGE on TRICKSTER (non- competitive Bridge) with Harvey Brodhecker from Ajax Probus

Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.

Phone: 416 894-5778

WINE TASTING - Chatterpaul's Restaurant, Brock Street, Whitby.

Wednesday, July 28 starts at 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Enjoy delicious food expertly paired with a selection of wines. Indoor dining, tables of four.

\$50 per person, payable at the restaurant

For more information Contact: Bob Forsey - bobforsey1244@gmail.com

GOLF - every second Thursday; Spring Creek Golf Club

Contact: Jim Hare - jameshare@yahoo.ca

RECIPE CLUB - Summer Season recipes are soon to be published!

Contact: Shirley Humphries - shirlmcmamara587@gmail.com

MEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB - (PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE!)

Wednesday, August 18, 8:30 a.m.

Restaurant location to be decided...meets every second Wednesday

Contact: David Werry dkwerry70@gmail.com

ZOOM TRIVIA with Alan Tibbles

Tuesday, September 7 at 3:00 p.m.

We have two sessions left.

ZOOM NOVEL IDEAS

Thursday, September 9 at 2:00 p.m.

Contact: Marilyn Werry mjwerry@gmail.com

ACTIVITY LEADERS' UPDATES

Jim Hare – Golf

Our Spring Creek Golf on July 15 had 40 golfers, not the 36 that I had mentioned we had. We have had at least 40 golfers at each of our outings this year. Amazing what Covid has done for our Probus Golfers!

We had a BBQ once again, and it was well attended, great burgers, sausages and hot dogs, along with some salads and a small amount of potato chips. I believe that there were some beverages also! They look after us well.

Another great day, it did call for some rain, but as always, "it never rains at Spring Creek when Pickering Probus is golfing." You have heard me say that time after time, we are back to Spring Creek, on Thursday, July 29, hope to see you there.

Jim H

Debbie Cox – RODEO

Picnics will be resuming with limitations in place, until inside dining is allowed at restaurants. If you wish to be included in future RODEO activities, please contact me via e-mail, and I will happily add you to my list. d_c_cox@hotmail.com

Here is a great side dish potato recipe from Looney Spoons, that is quick and flavourful.

4 large potatoes, unpeeled and scrubbed
1 T. olive oil
1 1/2 tsp. Cajun spice (nicely spiced, but if you prefer hot, increase the Cajun as desired)

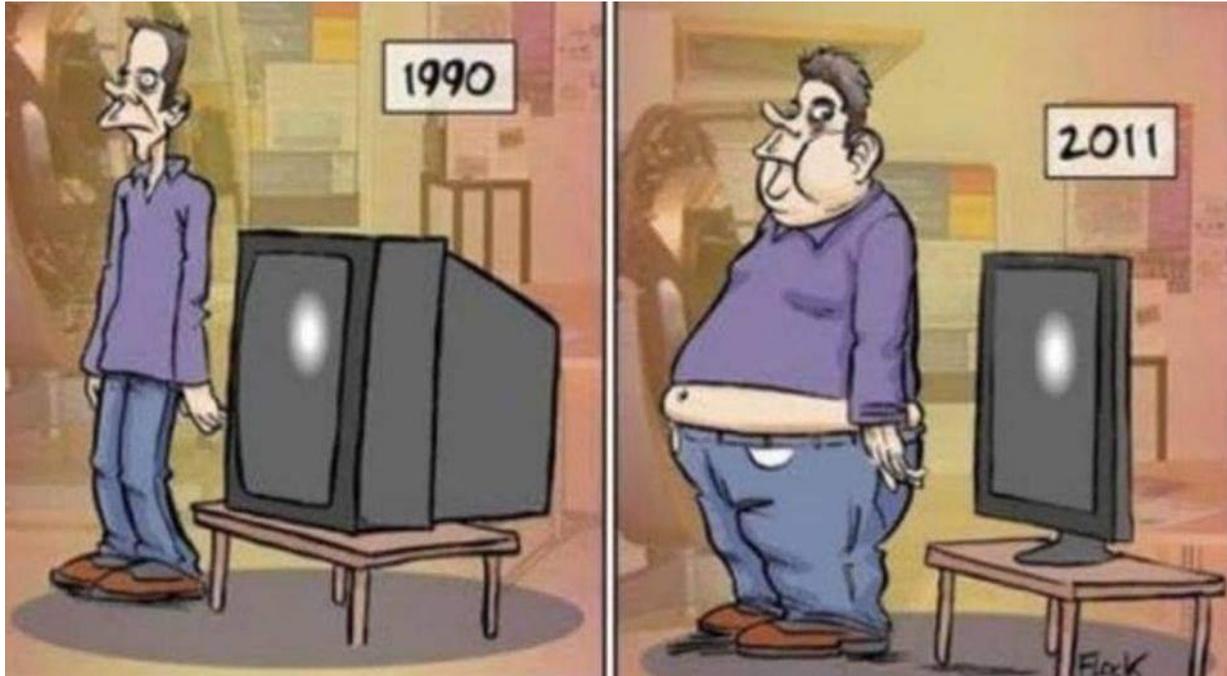
Preheat oven to 400F.

Cut each potato lengthwise into 8 wedges. Toss all ingredients in a large bowl to evenly coat. Transfer potatoes to a large baking sheet that has been sprayed well with non-stick spray. Spread evenly into a single layer and bake for 20 minutes. Turn wedges over and bake an additional 20-25 minutes until golden brown and tender on the inside.

Serves 4.

"Tough times never last, but tough people do." ~ Robert Schuller

A LITTLE LAUGHTER





August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Kitchen Bridge	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Kitchen Bridge	11 Management Mtg.	12 Golf	13	14
15	16	17 Kitchen Bridge	18 Men's Breakfast Club 8:30 a.m.	19	20	21
22	23	24 Kitchen Bridge	25 Probus In-person meeting	26 Golf	27	28
29	30	31 Kitchen Bridge				