



Probuss Club of Ottawa-Rideau Valley

A Meeting of Minds

February 2, 2011 (10 a.m.)

Tomkins Hall, St. James Anglican Church

1188 Bridge Street, Manotick, Ontario, K4M 1A4

How to find a doctor in the jungle

Speaker: Dr. Peter Fowler

Manotick optometrist Dr. Peter Fowler is optometry team coordinator and frequent volunteer with Remote Area Medical (RAM), a publicly-supported all-volunteer charitable organization founded in 1985 to provide free medical care in remote regions of the world. Volunteer doctors, nurses, pilots, veterinarians and support workers participate in expeditions (at their own expense) in some of the world's most challenging places. Medical supplies, facilities and vehicles are donated. Dr. Fowler will talk about his recent trips to Guyana and Bolivia. He received his professional training at the University of Waterloo and has been in private practice in Manotick since 1975.

Note to members: If you have old or unwanted eyeglasses (prescription or non-prescription, including sunglasses), you can donate them at the meeting for use by Dr. Fowler in needy countries.

Refreshments available from 9.30 a.m. Don't forget your name tags!

Lunch venue following the February meeting: Paesano's, Manotick

Coffee volunteers needed: Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve coffee at meetings. Call Fanny Afshar at 613-596-6679 or e-mail her at secretary@probussorv.org

March 2 guest speaker: Sheila King -- "Travelling in the Maritimes."

Events survey form: Please complete the attached events survey form and submit online to secretary@probussorv.org, or in person at the February meeting.

Striders and Gliders: Brian Sawyer has scheduled a ski trip at Rideauview Golf Club on Rideau Valley Drive (almost opposite Manotick Marina) on Wednesday, February 16. Meet at the Manotick Public Library parking lot at 9.30 a.m. or at the golf club ski track at 9.40 a.m. Brian will confirm details 1-2 days before the trip. He plans to ski locally most mornings in February for about two hours. If you would like to join him, call 613-692-6300.

Special events: At the February meeting, Merrill Stalker will distribute tickets to those attending the Kirov ballet at the National Arts Centre February 26.

Changing your mailing or e-mail address? Phone Jeff at 613-692-6273 with the details to ensure continued delivery of this newsletter.

Know a Probuss member who is ill? Call Kathy Pitcher (613-822-8739). She will send a card.

Probus Events Survey

Your Name _____

We are looking forward to plan our events for 2011 and would like your ideas. Listed below are a number of options. Let us know if you are interested in any or all of these events.

- Half day trip with members providing your own transportation or riding with other members. These would be trips to events in the Ottawa/Gatineau area and could cost from 0 to \$40 each, more for special events like the opera
 - Interested? Yes___ No___
- Full day trip to places like Montreal . This would be by bus and include a lunch. It could cost about \$100 each.
 - Interested? Yes___ No___
- A tour up to one week to places like New York or Toronto to see a play, shop or whatever. I don't know the cost but do know it would cost less than if you went on your own
 - Interested? Yes___ No___
- A cruise on the Caribbean. Usually 7 days. Cost would again be less than if you did this yourselves
 - Interested?---Yes___ No___
- I am not interested in any event, just our regular monthly meetings._____

Please look at some of the different types of events listed below and let us know if you are interested. Choose as many as you like. Y or N

Art Galleries___ Museums___ Theater,___ Manufacturing Plants___

Garden or Home Shows___ Visiting points of interest (forts, botanical gardens)___

Shopping Excursions___ Opera___ Musicals___ Local Bus Tour to see the lights or gardens___ River Cruise___

What other events interest you?

Any other suggestions?_____

Many Thanks-- Merrill Stalker, 613-692-0329