



## **Women's Probus Club of Cambridge**

### **General Meeting**

**May 16, 2025, 9:30 am**

**Portuguese Club, 870 Townline Rd. Cambridge**



## **SPEAKER FOR OUR MAY 16th MEETING**

### **Doug Wilson**

**With a career spanning four and a half decades, Doug Wilson has been a photojournalist, a teacher and an executive in a sports licensing firm. He is also co-founder, shareholder and president of Cambridge Butterfly Conservatory, a privately-held attraction, education and research facility in Cambridge Ontario.**

**Doug is a recipient of A National Magazine Award For Photojournalism, The Heart and stroke Foundation Volunteer Of The Year Award, the King Charles III Coronation Medal and the Colonel Don Dailey Lifetime Achievement Award for his contribution to tourism, education and conservation and for the promotion of tourism as a means to positively impact the health, resilience and economy of local communities.**



Greeters for May

Jennifer Taylor

Marg Benian

## INTEREST GROUPS:

**EUCHRE:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday each month. Call Gaenor Williams, 905 802-0494 if interested.

**CULTURE CLUB:** Call Carol Harvey, 519 619-9512, harveyce@bell.net if you wish to attend.

**BOOK CLUB #1:** – meets on the second Friday of each month at the Galt Country Club at 10:30. Phone Marilyn (519 653 9743); [mcrump@rogers.com](mailto:mcrump@rogers.com)

**BOOK CLUB #2:** -meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at rotating homes. Contact: Carol Bonnett 519 573-9076; [cduffieldbonnett@rogers.com](mailto:cduffieldbonnett@rogers.com)

### LUNCHEON Ladies:

If interested please contact Paulette Bissonnette: 519 654-8279 or [.](#)

[Pictures of LL April 28th at Browns Social](#)



### TRAVEL:

**PROBUS DAY TRIP: SATURDAY OCTOBER 4, 2025**

**1<sup>st</sup> Stop:** Country style breakfast at Mylar & Loreta's in Singhampton.

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Giffens Country Market, winner of best Butter Tarts at Royal Winter Fair.

**3<sup>rd</sup>:** Creemore, free time to explore the shops, visit Creemore Springs Brewery.

**4<sup>th</sup> and last stop:** Creemore Hills Winery, tour and Taste.

**COST:** \$135.00 – TICKETS ARE FINAL, NAME CHANGES ARE ALLOWED

Will accept CASH, CHEQUE OR E-TRANSFER TO: [agroulx519@sympatico.ca](mailto:agroulx519@sympatico.ca)

Contact: Mary Jane Marshall; 519 623-4949; [mjmarshall780.@gmail.com](mailto:mjmarshall780.@gmail.com)

**“COVID” Just so I NEVER forget..... April 2, 2020 (submitted by Lesley Bansen)**

There are 9, 731 Confirmed Cases in Canada on this day.

Gas prices are at a record low 63.9 Kitchener ON

School cancelled since March 13th until May 1st...but I don't see kids going back until September

Self-distancing measures on the rise.

Tape on the floors at grocery stores and other stores to help distance shoppers 2m (6ft) from each other.

Limited number of people inside stores, therefore lineups outside the store doors.

Hand washing stations in the Store Entrances and Plexi-glass barriers installed around the Cashiers/Check-out

Non-essential stores and businesses mandated closed.

Parks, trails, entire cities locked up.

Entire sports seasons cancelled.

Concerts, tours, festivals, entertainment events - cancelled.

Weddings, family celebrations, holiday gatherings - cancelled.

No masses, churches are closed.

No gatherings of 50 or more, then 20 or more, now 5 or more.

Don't socialize with anyone outside of your home.

Children's outdoor play parks are closed.

We are to distance from each other.

In Canada:

Shortage of masks, gowns, gloves for our front-line workers.

Shortage of ventilators for the critically ill.

Panic buying sets in and we have no toilet paper, no disinfecting supplies, no paper towels, no laundry soap, no hand sanitizer.

Shelves are bare at times and most are being re-stocked nightly.

Manufacturers, distilleries and other businesses switch their lines to help make visors, masks, hand sanitizer and PPE.

Government closes the border to all non-essential travel, calls Canadians home and makes it mandatory to self-isolate for 14 days.

Stiff Fines and Jail time for price gouging on essential items.

Fines are established for breaking the rules.

Stadiums and recreation facilities open up for the overflow of Covid-19 patients.

Press conferences daily from Prime Minister Trudeau.

In Ontario: Premier Doug Ford gives daily updates on Ontario's new cases, recoveries of Covid 19 and any new Bylaws/Rules

Government incentives to stay home.

Barely anyone in the street or on the roads.

People wearing masks and gloves outside.

Essential service workers are terrified to go to work.

Medical field workers are afraid to go home to their families.

1,000,000 applications for Employment Insurance as people go without.

This is the Novel Coronavirus (Covid-19) Pandemic, declared March 11th, 2020.

Why, you ask, do I write this status?

One day it will show up in my memory feed, and it will be a yearly reminder that life is precious. To not take the things we dearly love for granted.

Be kind to each other - love one another - support everyone.

We are all one! ♥☐



Our new members pinned April 28<sup>th</sup> | to r

Rose Jirika, Melissa Halvorsen, Angela Dietrich, Katherine Frazee,  
Marilyn Parkinson-Crump



To those members who have not signed the “photo release” form for our Club to put pictures etc on our Web Site and newsletter, please do so at our next meeting- May 16<sup>th</sup>.

**THANK YOU!!!**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to the following members who will be celebrating their day during the month of **MAY**:

Marion Bale  
Paulette Bissonnette  
Norma Dobson  
Marilyn Parkinson Crump  
Karen Shoemaker

Lesley Bansen  
Cathy Button  
Linda Manzl  
Catherine Pettem  
Kathleen Tschirhart



**A REMINDER TO GET YOUR TICKETS FOR THE  
JUNE MEETING - \$40.00**

**Payment may be made by cash, cheque or e-transfer to  
[agroulx519@sympatico.ca](mailto:agroulx519@sympatico.ca) or at our meeting in May**



## **PRESIDENTS MESSAGE**

**This is the time of year when everything is showing “Spring Green” I personally love this time of year. The daffodils, crocuses, bluebells, snowdrops, forsythia all come into bloom.**

**Looking forward to seeing everyone on May 16<sup>th</sup> and enjoying another informative talk by Doug Wilson with regard to his role in the founding of the Cambridge Butterfly Conservatory.**

**Don't forget to purchase your ticket for our June luncheon.**

**Enjoy and Keep Smiling**

**Linda**

## **BE A FRIEND BRING A FRIEND**