



Hanover Area PROBUS Club

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Centre on Tuesday February 2, Ground Hog Day.



Happy Valentine's Day

Your Management Committee consists of:

President – Margaret Peckham
First vice-president – Betty Perkins
Second vice-president – vacant
Past President – Brian Ross
Secretary and archivist – Jan Stocovaz
Treasurer – Lorna Eadie Hocking
Program chairs – Don Smith and Pat Butler
Membership - Brian Ross
Communications – Allan Simpson
Activity Group chairs – Georgia Kreager
Greeters and Hospitality – Mary Norwood and Evelyn Dargie

Next General Meeting will take place in the Lions Den, P&H Centre on Wednesday February 10th.

Next Management Committee Meeting will be held in the School room of the P&H

January Speakers

Our January keynote speakers were **Lynda Taylor-Basilij and Kaila Basilij**. They were introduced by PROBUS member Wayne Pfeffer.

PROBUS member Lynda Taylor-Basilij provided some introductory comments concerning the work of her daughter Kaila. Kaila Basilij is the Marketing Director at SmartSAVER.



Lynda Taylor-Basilij and Kaila Basilij

SmartSAVER is a non-profit creative marketing partnership initiative led by the Omega Foundation (Omega) that aims to expand lower-income students' education



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opportunities. It focuses on improving lower-income families' access to low-risk, low-cost government education savings products, including the:

- Registered Education Savings Plan (RESP): A tax-sheltered education savings account for postsecondary education;
- Canada Education Savings Grant (CESG): A federal matching grant to provide incentive to families to contribute to an RESP;
- Canada Learning Bond (CLB): A federal grant offering to kick-start education savings for children of lower-income families for which no family contribution is required.

Families can access up to \$2,000 in free money. This money can be used for apprenticeships, trade schools, colleges or universities.

Our guest speakers answered several good questions and then were thanked by PROBUS member Valerie Weber who presented them with a gift of maple syrup.



January Guest Speaker Kaila Basiliij and PROBUS first vice-president Betty Perkins

February Speakers

The topic for our February meeting will be the **Programs and Services of the Hanover and District Hospital (HDH)**. We look forward to hearing from **Katrina Wilson**, President and CAO of the HDH and **Barbara Hicks**, the Hospital Board Chair, on February 10, 2016.

Our community is fortunate to have a modern and well run hospital. The mission of this facility is "To collaborate with our partners to ensure that the residents of our region receive the highest quality care possible."



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Katrina Wilson, President and CAO, HDH



Barbara Hicks, Hospital Board Chair

The HDH achieved the award of Accredited with Exemplary Standing from Accreditation Canada in 2013. The original hospital in Hanover was established in 1923 with the acute care hospital being built in 1973. Please make an effort to join us on February

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10th to hear all about the Hanover and District Hospital.



Hanover and District Hospital

Activity Group News



The Crafts Group gathered at Davis Hill nursery where they learned the craft or art of floral, ribbon, and evergreen bough arrangements for Christmas urns or wreath hangings.



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Pictured above are members of the Crafts Group Susan Sakal, Donna Clark, Barb Hunsberger and Sheila Long.



Snowshoers Marilyn Forbes, Doug and Sheila Long, Tracey Neuman and Marion Badger

There were 10 people out to **snowshoe and cross country ski** on January 14. The weather was just about perfect and the trees were laden with snow. The group plans to meet every Thursday at 1:20 to enjoy the winter and get a little exercise. We decide at the beginning of each session the location of the next session. Everyone is welcome so if you want to have your name added to the mailing list, please contact Mary Norwood (before the end of January) or Pat Butler (for February and March).



Inga Bruschke having a wonderful time



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Leona Hutton getting ready to ski



Linda Vallie and Heather Zettler taking a break



A challenge from PROBUS club member Leona Hutton:

“After the January PROBUS meeting I donned my athletic shoes and did a 20-minute walk/run (run up the slope only) of the indoor track at the P&H Centre.

As February is Heart & Stroke Month I thought I'd like to challenge the PROBUS members to bring their athletic shoes to the February PROBUS meeting and either before or after the meeting do a 20/30-minute walk/run on the indoor track.”

