



**THE PROBUS CLUB OF OAKVILLE**

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**August 17, 2023 – In-Person and Zoom Meeting**  
*Meeting begins at 10:00 AM. Speaker at 11:00 AM.*

**Meeting Place – Oakville Public Library - Central Branch –  
120 Navy St. Second Floor Auditorium**

**Plenty of Parking on Water St with Elevator to Second Floor  
but we also respect those who wish to participate via Zoom**

**FEATURED SPEAKER – August 17, 2023**



**Larry Cain, Order of Canada, 1984**  
**Canadian Sports Hall of Fame, 1997**

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This month, we are delighted to welcome, Larry Cain, Order of Canada – **a local Olympian athlete and proud winner of Gold & Silver medals in Canoeing in the 1984 Olympics...our first medals in the sport since, Berlin, 1936.**

Larry began his career in 1974 at the Oakville Racing Canoe Club, now the Burloak Canoe Club where he coaches High Performance canoeing amongst his other pursuits at his '**Paddle Monster**' company. He competed in three Summer Olympics, winning a **gold medal** in the C-1 500 m (solo paddler) and a **silver medal** in the C1 1000 m events. He also won a **silver medal** in the C-1 1000 m event at the **1989 ICF Canoe Sprint World Championships** in Plovdiv, Bulgaria.

Cain taught Physical Education at St. Mildred's-Lightbourn School, Oakville, until 2014. He then worked as a **coach, preparing paddlers for the 2016 Rio games.**

As part of his presentation today, Larry will offer his thoughts on high performance international sport in today's world, including the influence of media, money and government on athletes and sporting institutions.

**Welcome, Larry!**

**For more background on today's presentation and to inform your questions, please consider the following amongst others:**

<https://ethics.harvard.edu/blog/economics-corruption-sports-special-case-doping>

<https://www.wada-ama.org/en>

<https://olympics.com>

**THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

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DEAR FELLOW PROBIANS:

I HAVE, AT TIMES, OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS, FEATURED A HAND DRAWN CARTOON TO MAKE A POINT IN MY MESSAGE. THESE DRAWINGS WERE MADE BY A 93 YEAR OLD FRIEND IN MISSISSAUGA, GEORGE HOWELL. IN EARLY JUNE I ASKED GEORGE TO DRAW A CARTOON DEPICTING OUR SUMMER VACATION PERIOD. THIS WAS ONE OF HIS LAST CARTOONS AS HE PASSED AWAY IN JULY - BUSY RIGHT TO THE END.



I KEEP SAYING THE SPEAKER AT EACH MONTHLY MEETING WAS GREAT, WONDERFUL, BRILLIANT, ETC, – WELL I HAVE ALMOST RUN OUT OF SUPERLATIVES BECAUSE OUR JULY SPEAKER, DR MYRIAM NAFTE WAS AMAZING. SHE IS A FORENSIC ANTHROPOLOGIST, CRIME SCENE INVESTIGATOR AND ARTIST. HER TALK HAD EVERYONE ON THE EDGE OF THEIR SEATS. FOR THOSE ATTENDING WE WILL NEVER FORGET WHERE THE WORD “TESTIMONY” WAS DERIVED FROM AND ALSO WE LEARNED WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MURDER OF BARRY AND HONEY SHERMAN ON DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2017. IT WAS SO UNFORTUNATE WE RAN OUT OF TIME, HOWEVER, THE GOOD NEWS IS SHE AGREED TO RETURN FOR ANOTHER

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**SESSION. SO IF YOU MISSED THE FIRST ONE DON'T MISS THE NEXT ONE AS I AM SURE IT WILL BE EQUALLY GRIPPING! TIM WILL BE WORKING ON HER RETURN IN THE FUTURE.**

**WE WERE ALSO ENTERTAINED BY MIKE TWEEDIE, WHOSE NAME I MISSPELLED IN OUR JULY NEWSLETTER, BUT MIKE FORGAVE ME. HIS BIO WAS VERY INTERESTING. HIS LIFE ALTERING BRUSH WITH DEATH CHANGED HIS CAREER AND HIS LIFE. THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR STORY MIKE, WE GOT TO KNOW YOU BETTER AND THAT IS THE PURPOSE OF GIVING A PROFILE/BIO EARLY ON IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP.**

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES WERE DUE ON AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>. IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO PLEASE FORWARD YOUR \$75.00 EITHER BY E-TRANSFER OR BY FORWARDING YOUR CHEQUES DIRECTLY TO THE TREASURER, RAY HENRICKSON. THANK YOU, YOU WILL REAP THE BENEFITS MANY TIMES OVER.**

**I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT THE MEETING NEXT WEEK. ALSO PLEASE ALLOW TIME IN YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE AFTER THE MEETING TO JOIN THE GANG FOR LUNCH AT MONAGHAN'S, IT ALLOWS MORE TIME FOR GETTING TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS AND OFTEN THE SPEAKER JOINS US AS WELL**

**CHEERS**

**MIKE**





## The Probus Club of Oakville

# Minutes of the General Meeting of the Probus Club of Oakville

July 20 2023

## Oakville Public Library

### **1.0 Minutes**

A motion to accept the minutes of the June General Meeting was made by Jack Rugg and seconded by Gerry Sutton. The minutes of the last meeting were then unanimously accepted.

### **2.0 Vice President – Alex Murphy**

Members' Health

It was reported that Dave Johnson has deceased.

### **NOTICE OF MOTION**

The nominating committee proposes a motion to nominate the following individuals for the following management positions for the 2023-24 year.

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### **NOMINATIONS FOR 23-24**

President - Alex Murphy

Vice President – Paul Nelson

Past President and Nominating Committee Chair - Mike Purcell

Secretary – Jim Tonner

Treasurer – Ray Henrickson

Activities – Jay Kell

Speakers – Tim O Shea

Membership - Peter Pretty

Web Site and Newsletter – Paul Nelson

Technical Services and Equipment – Gerry Pielsticker

Other functions

Members Welfare and Health– Alex Murphy

Photos – Peter Pretty

Auditor – Bryan Noble

50-50 -Roy Oldfield

**3.0 Treasurer's Report**

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Ray Henrickson said the end of June bank balance is \$5,200 after minimal expenses. He reported that 25 members have already paid the \$75 dues for next year.

4.0 **Guests** Peter Pretty introduced John Patterson who has completed an application form and will join at the next meeting

### **5.0 Speakers**

Tim O'Shea outlined the schedule of speakers for the coming months  
Forensic Anthropologist Dr. Myriam Nafte aka CSI Investigator will be today's speaker

August speaker will be Larry Cain- topic money and corruption

September speaker will be Dr. Derek Peters, Veterinarian

October speaker Declan Keogh, Dale Lana School of Health, U of T -  
Investigative Journalism Bureau

November speaker will be Wendy Rinella, CEO of the Oakville Community Foundation –indigenous affairs in Oakville's history.

**6.0 Upcoming Club Activities** Jay Kell asked members re their interest in an "Ireland House" tour and a "Wine and cheese" tasting event. There was a positive reaction to both possible events. The Christmas Lunch has been set for December 14<sup>th</sup> and will again be at the Oakville Golf Club.

### **7.0 Website/Newsletter.**

Gerry Pielsticker indicated that all of our past events over the past 15 years will be on our web site.

### **8.0 Profiler- Mike Tweetie**

In his early days he moved to Cooksville and he studied 'old english'. To increase his income he worked for the "National library of Canada". He became very sick but he decided not to let that get in his way and he took the LSAT test which

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allowed him entry to a law school. He became a litigator and retired in 2014 after 40 years as a litigator. He will soon have 4 books in print about law and litigation.

### **9.0 SPEAKER**

This month, we were delighted to welcome Dr. Myriam Nafte who talked to us about forensics and how it is used in crime investigation.

She describes herself as “a visual artist and a skeletal biologist”. She has been in the forensics world for 35 years. She has been involved with reviewing of human remains and has worked as a visual artist often recreating in art human facial structures.

She described the differences between police forensics – i.e. the on site control of all nature of evidence and the lab forensics. Police individuals need 5 years of training before being permitted to control a site. There is physical evidence, testimonial evidence (i.e. witness statements), class evidence (i.e. which needs further review), latent evidence (i.e. finger prints), and indicative evidence. Defense lawyers will always try to have such evidence dismissed as often it is not scientifically based.

One subsequent question re the Sherman murders solicited a comment that certain newspapers often provide inaccurate and poorly researched comments that cause problems for the police

Wolfgang Harman thanked Miriam for a most enjoyable and informative presentation

Mike Purcell declared the meeting closed.

Alex Murphy

Acting Secretary

July 25, 2023

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### 2022-2023 Management Committee

President	Mike Purcell	(905) 845-4097
Past President	Alex Murphy	(905) 337-2924
Vice President	Alex Murphy	(905) 337-2924
Secretary	Jim Tonner	(289) 337-6693
Treasurer	Ray Hendrickson	(289) 469-0158
Speakers	Tim O'Shea	(905) 842-5133
Activities	Jay Kell	(289) 407-3859
Newsletter	Paul Nelson	(905) 631-2390
Membership	Peter Pretty	(905) 338-5583
Website	Paul Nelson	(905) 631-2390
Technical Co-ordinator	Gerry Pielsticker	(905) 338-9829

In addition, the following Key Support Positions have been filled by appointed Members.

### Key Support Positions

Equipment	TBD	
Member Welfare	Alex Murphy	(905) 337-2924
Auditor	Charles (Chuck) O'Neil	(905) 825-0054
50/50 Draw	Roy Oldfield	(905) 847-2062
Photographs - 1	David Johnson	(905) 338-6076
Photographs - 2	Peter Pretty	(905) 338- 5583
Greeter	Jack Rugg	(905) 820-1973