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A Multimedia Artist's Perspective on Climate Change

Multimedia artist Sandra Hawkins' visual narratives inspire beyond the scientific data on impacts of climate warming in the High Arctic and on our rivers closer to home, including the St. Lawrence Seaway. Her presentation shows how her recent "In Search of Bearings" installation shown at the City of Ottawa Corridor 45/75 Gallery, 2022-2023, brings together disparate inspirations and experiences from her High Arctic Artist Tall Ship Expedition, Ottawa River leisure sailing and St. Lawrence River navigation. Sandra states "My intent is to create spaces that resonate and generate discussion on the physical and ephemeral impacts of climate warming".

Sandra Hawkins is an acclaimed multimedia artist based in Ottawa with

local and international exhibitions, publications and collections. Her paintings, photography, videos and installations resonate with the dynamic impacts of climate change on place identity. In 2023 her Ottawa exhibitions include *In Search of Bearings* at Corridor 45/75 Gallery, *Metamorphosis* at City Hall Art Gallery, *Through the Reeds*, and *Across the Water* at Ottawa Art Gallery Annexe, and *Paint the Town Pink* Ottawa Art Gallery Gala fundraiser. Sandra is an author and self-publisher of two books, *Sailing The Top of The World – Climate Change in the High Arctic*, and *The Business of Art – Visual Artists in Canada*.

She graduated with a Bachelor of



Sandra Hawkins

Fine Arts in 1999 from U. Of Ottawa, and also holds a Masters in Environmental Studies with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Architecture.

The Prez Sez



Hello everyone. On June 13th we are privileged to have our district director, Craig Greenwood, attend our Annual General Meeting. He will

present our club with a certificate honouring our 25th anniversary.

We will also elect (or acclaim) our club's executive for the coming year and, after our meeting, hold a catered luncheon in the church hall. If you have not already purchased a ticket by the time you read this, it is likely too late, but you can enquire further by email to

lunches@probudwesternottawa.ca or by phone to 613- 831-0547.

On page 2 is a table with the latest view of the new executive team that will be in place in September. We greatly appreciate those members who have come forward to help, but there are still some vacancies. Expect a call for nominations from the floor at the meeting. We need volunteers if our club is to prosper. Most positions require very little time and current executive members will provide any orientation necessary.

Our next Management Committee meeting will be on August 22. if you wish to attend before making any

commitment to help in order to see how we operate behind the scenes, please contact me via email or phone.

Have a great summer!
Ray Jones
president@probudwesternottawa.ca
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Summer program too

9 June Euchre features pot-luck

Our 9 June meeting will start at 12 noon and feature a Pot-Luck. Bring a dish to share.

Good News!

We will be meeting through the summer months!

Friday, July 21

Friday, August 11

Time: 12:30 for social time, coffee...

Games begin at 1 pm

You just have to be a Probus member!

The Probus euchre group meets monthly at the Bells Corners United Church, 3955 Old Richmond Road (at Moodie).

For further information, please contact Barbara or David Stafford at bbole@sympatico.ca

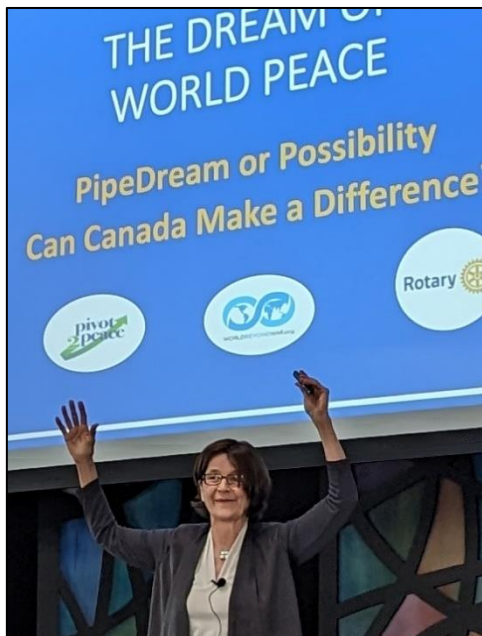


Proposed 2023-2024 Executive

* New to the Executive

President:	Ray Jones	Website:	Vacant
Vice President:	Vacant	Policy Advisor:	Peter Doyle
Past President:	N/A	Member-at-Large:	Patricia Hunter*
Secretary:	Marg Demers	Setup Crew:	Peter Durose & David Stafford
Treasurer:	Ruth Wakeford / Annette Lindsay*	Cards and Letters:	Betty Jean Bone
Speaker Program:	Beth Sweetnam	Publicity:	Vacant
Lunches:	Vacant	Euchre Club:	Barbara & David Stafford
Outings:	Linda Miller-Nesbitt & George Steeves	Coffee:	Sep-Dec/Apr-Jun): Shanna & Walter Lucas*
Newsletter:	Vacant		Jan-Mar: Anne & Stan Senkowski* / Jean Eng

May speaker promotes peace



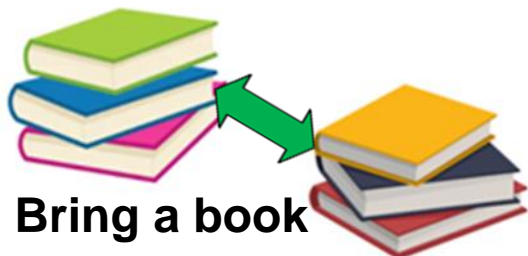
Our May speaker, Helen Peacock, made the point that wars begin in the minds of men and women. Of the hundreds of wars which have occurred since the end of WWII none can be justified. She explained that her aim is to lift the veil from people's eyes about the \$2 trillion of taxpayer money, worldwide, that goes into the war machine, and the good that money could do for our planet if redirected toward peace-making, health care, and the environment. More info at www.pivot2peace.com and www.worldbeyondwar.org.

Welcome to our New Members

Welcome to the following new members who joined Probus Western Ottawa in May:

- Mary Lou Davies
- Arthur Loeb
- Karen Schiller

Let's keep this going



Bring a book

... take a book

Check out our book swap table at every meeting

On-line course available

Helen Peacock has an on-line course in partnership with Rotary. The course "Ending War 101" starts soon.

June 12 to July 9

6 hour free on line course — There's still time to register!

Use the QR Code or register [HERE](#).



The Probus Club of Western Ottawa is part of the international organization of Probus Clubs designed to serve retired and semi-retired professional, business and like-minded people. The morning begins at 10:00 am with a time for coffee and socialization followed by a guest speaker.

Western Ottawa Probus meets at

Kanata Baptist Church,
465 Hazeldean Road



Sculpture Park. We had a good turnout on a hot day for our visit to the Humanics Sanctuary and Sculpture Park in Cumberland. The founder, Dr Ranjit Perera, provided some background and an overview of the park and then members were free to wander the trails and see some of the 200 sculptures on the site. Lunch then followed at the OOCO restaurant in Orleans. More park info [here](#).

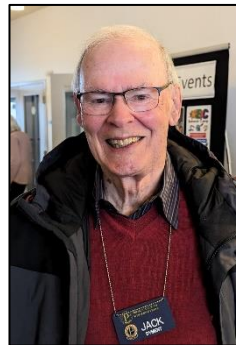
Club reaches 25-year milestone

The Probus Club of Kanata received its charter and first met at the Kanata United Church in 1998. It has since been renamed Probus Western Ottawa and now has a new venue at the Kanata Baptist Church.

To mark this occasion Craig Greenwood, from Probus Canada, will present a certificate to our club at the June meeting.

Also receiving recognition is Jack Dymont who was one of the founding members of our club in 1998.

Probus Canada has continued to grow with now over 250 clubs, and we have also grown to now have 152 members.



Jack Dymont

Upcoming speaker schedule

No meetings until September

September 12: Gary Smith
“Ice War Diplomat”

October 10: George Moubayed (Financial Educator):
“The Credit Counselling Society of Canada”



The Ashton Brew Pub in the village of Ashton was the venue for our May lunch-out. We had a great turnout with 22 club members enjoying lunch and some brew.



10-year pin. President Ray Jones prepares to present Ken Round with his 10-year pin as Membership Chair Ruth Wakeford looks on.



ABBA experience concert 18 June

Probus Ottawa/Alta Vista have purchased tickets to see this show on Sunday June 18th at 2pm. If any of our members would like to join us, they have a special ticket price of \$40.90 instead of the \$45.

Members should call the Gladstone Theatre at 613 233 4523 and identify themselves as Probus to get that ticket price.

Alta Vista Probus members will be going to La Dolce Vita following the show for dinner. If you would like to join them for dinner, please sign up on their website www.probusoav.ca to give the restaurant an accurate number of people to expect.

They have one ticket left from the bulk purchase they made if anyone would like to use it. Please give them a call at 343 572 7448.

Chuckle Corner 

THOUGHTS ON AGING

"Old age is like a plane flying through a storm. Once you are aboard there is nothing you can do about it."

Golda Meir

"The older I get, the more clearly I remember things that never happened."

Mark Twain

"The older I get, the better I used to be."

Lee Trevino

"Old age isn't so bad when you consider the alternative."

Maurice Chevalier

"I have reached an age when, if someone tells me to wear socks, I don't have to."

Albert Einstein

"You know you are getting old when everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt doesn't work."

Hy Gardner

"At my age 'getting lucky' means walking into a room and remembering what I came in for."

Unknown

"I've never known a person who lives to be 100 who is remarkable for anything else."

Josh Billings

"The idea is to die young as late as possible."

Ashley Montagu



Luncheon signup. Ron and Marie Armstrong have been organizing our luncheons for over 8 years and are now stepping down. Thank you, Ron and Marie — now its time for new volunteers to step up.

Membership inquiries may be sent to membership@probuswesternottawa.ca

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