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Issue 01



Hello everyone:

Happy New Year and we're off to another grand year! Here is the latest from the Tech Club. Things are falling into place, and subject to the OK from the parent club, here is where we likely stand in terms of meeting site, dues, and opening agenda.

PLACE: Pickering Library (Central branch) Board room (2nd floor)

TIME: 10am – noon

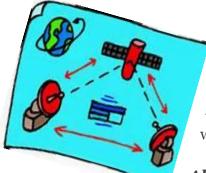
DATE: Thurs, Jan. 16

DUES: \$2/meeting



Our 1st AGENDA

"*Meet and greet*" will be our first order of business. We will meet each other and learn about our individual technology needs, wishes and wants.



Technological Map

We need to find out which technologies the club members are most interested in: desktop computers, laptops, tablets, cell phones? We are likely all over the technological skills map and at the first meeting, it may be to our benefit to find out where the members want to go with this club.

About your moderator

I am a retired computer teacher having taught computers and computer software to teens and to adults in secondary schools and community colleges. After retiring, my interest in technology continued and I began to write freelance articles evaluating and assessing the value of technological apps and devices for an electronic magazine and a magazine published for retired teachers.



My hope for the club is that we expose members to use of devices and

technologies, to develop member skills with these things and to make members more comfortable with them in general. Though I am an APPLE device user mainly, I also use desktop computers, laptops, tablets, and iPod's.

Relax, sit back and enjoy

Some people find technology intimidating, frustrating and challenging. Not to worry, we are not out to stress you. Our goal is to help you understand and use technology and to do so in a relaxed, easy going way. Some frustration is inevitable as learning new things always has some inherent stress in it. We will work on making the atmosphere a relaxed and comfortable one. We have members who are at all skill levels of technology, from brand new users to veteran experienced ones. It does not matter where you are on the skill level



spectrum. We will try to help you learn more or just learn enough to suit your personal needs.



Welcome mat

As we have been permitted to use a public facility, our meetings are open to anyone interested in attending. Should anyone come to any of our meetings, we will encourage them to become sponsored members of the Probus Pickering Club,

our parent organization but I do not foresee many "walk ins" at that time of day and that day of the week.

I look forward to meeting all of you in personal and I hope we have a lot of fun as we explore the new and ever-widening world of technology.

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