

PROBUS CLUB OF SAINT JOHN
MONTHLY MEETING
December 15th, 2010

The monthly meeting was held at the Boys and Girls Club at 10 am, with President Bob Capson chairing and about 50 members in attendance. Robert Taylor acted as Greeter.

Memorial: Following O Canada, a moment of silence was observed in memory of Chesley Lordon Jr.

Sing-Along: Clarence Blois led some Christmas songs.

Minutes of the November 17th meeting were approved on motion by Robert Taylor, seconded by Ralph Wood.

Guest: Ms. Yukako Tsukamoto, the speaker at the November meeting, was welcomed.

Illnesses: Bill Brydges was reported to be in hospital with pneumonia. Ralph Murray has had an eye operation. Fred Chatwin is still in hospital.

Finances: Treasurer Don Mitchener reported we are “still solvent”, with \$2400 in the bank. We have to pay Probus Canada our membership dues and insurance. Don moved and Lloyd Lake seconded that we donate \$500 to the Boys and Girls Club. Motion carried. This was presented later in the meeting.

Phone Committee: Duane Lister thanked the committee for making calls to confirm attendance at today’s lunch.

House Committee: Clive Douthwright to collect \$10 for today’s turkey dinner. Proceeds will stay with the Boys and Girls Club.

Phoghorn: A chorus of inconsiderate groans greeted today’s jokes *before* Ralph Wood had a chance to tell them!

President’s Comments: We need to encourage membership. Only about 70 have paid so far for this year.

60/40 Draw: Lou Duffley won \$133 plus a bottle of Appleton rum. He did not donate the rum to the Boys and Girls Club!

Program: was provided by the Saint John String Quartet, who were introduced by Carl Tompkins (accompanied by other sad jokes) and thanked by Bob Capson.

Closing: President Bob Capson conveyed Christmas greetings, and adjourned the meeting to January 19th. At that meeting, Don Mitchener will speak about Estate Planning from the point of view of those who have to pick up the pieces.

Luncheon: A turkey dinner was served by staff of the Boys and Girls Club. About 40 members stayed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Secretary.