

**PROBUS CLUB OF SAINT JOHN
CHRISTMAS MEETING AND LUNCHEON
December 19th, 2012**

The monthly meeting was held at the Boys and Girls Club at 10 AM, with Acting President Tor Bordevik chairing and about 35 members in attendance. Following welcome, Merry Christmas, and O Canada, Robert Taylor highlighted **minutes** of the November 21st meeting and moved their acceptance; Bob Capson seconded; motion carried.

Guests: Robert Taylor introduced John Doyle, retired Managing Director of Brennan's Funeral Home. (John subsequently mailed in a cheque and will be pinned at his next meeting.)

Finances: Treasurer Don Mitchener reported he paid insurance for 75 members. After giving \$500 to the Boys and Girls Club, we'll have \$1185 on hand.

Phone Committee: Gordon Graham noted it is important to reply to e-mail or phone messages re events such as today's luncheon.

House Committee: 31 will be staying for turkey dinner.

Phoghorn: Stories were told by Ralph Wood, Robert Taylor, Gordon Graham, George McCaughey and John Doyle.

President's Comments: Tor noted (again) that he wants to be relieved of the Presidency. To emphasize the point, Don Shaw presented him with a Past Presidents pin. Tor announced that John Morris, founder of Probus in Canada, died, and he sent condolences on behalf of the Club.

60/40 Draw: \$110 was won by Tom Neill. Also Jim Shillington won a bottle of Appleton rum donated by David Fraser.

Presentation: Debbie Cooper was presented with \$500 for the Boys and Girls Club, and congratulated on her promotion to Atlantic Director of Boys and Girls Clubs of Canada. She will be based in Saint John but traveling to 23 Clubs as, in her words, a transition to retirement. This starts March 1st.

Guest Performers: Saint John String Quartet played Christmas pieces.

Adjournment to January 16th moved by Ralph Murray. Turkey dinner followed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Secretary.