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Saint John Probus Club—Host City For Rendezvous 2008

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(Meetings held on third Wednesday of the month at Saint John Rotary Boys & Girls Club on Paul Harris Street)

As of Sept. 20th, 2006 – 569 days to to !

Next Meeting

To be held Wednesday, Sept. 20th, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the Boys and Girls Club.

The speaker will Mr. Steve Rankin of Brunswick Pipeline who will be talking to us about the pipeline linking the Irving/Repsol LNG to the North East Pipeline plant.

Last Meeting

President Dave Lester opened the meeting at 10 a.m. with the singing of O Canada by the 65 members present.

Clarence and Ray then lead the sing song which had a WW 2 touch. We even got to practice our whistling skills in Col. Bogey.

The minutes of the last meeting were duly presented by Secretary Lorne Mc Guigan in his inimitable style that makes their approval inevitable. Treasurer Ed Creaser reported that our bank balance stood at \$1110.69. It was reported that Bill Bartlett had an expensive day. He got a hole in one. Congratulations Bill.

Two further charter members were recognized, namely Gordon Mouland and Phillip McGillivray. A motion approving the setting up of a new bank account at Bayview Credit Union for Rendezvous 2008 purposes was unanimously approved. President Dave presented Debbie of The Boys and Girls Club with a cheque for \$500. Debbie expressed her thanks and said some nice things re the association between the two clubs.

Rendezvous 2008 “Catch the Wave”

It was reported that the survey soliciting interest and giving a selection of possible activities had been sent out to over 140 clubs across the country and contact had been established with an interested group from Australia.

Below is a list of **Rendezvous 2008 Committees** and the **Chairs**.

Co Chairs	Bill Brydges	849 7200
	with Lorne McGuigan	849 3430
Secretary	Robert Taylor	847 7331
Treasurer	Laurie Hossack	847 4420
Asst Treasurer	Ed Creaser	658 1380
Corp Sponsors	Wylie McGinley	652 5146
Registration	Fred Shillington	847 8076
Accommodations	Ed O’Keefe	847 7475
Hospitality	Mildred Brydges	849 7200
Publicity /Entertainment		
	Ralph Wood	847 7269
	Clarence Blois	696 2841
Tours and special events		
	Carl Tompkins	648 3490
	Frank Ervin	847 3054
Transportation	Ralph Murray	847 7064
	Gordon Mouland	634 7181
Liason /Volunteers	Jean Taylor	847 7331

We urge you to get involved by joining a committee of your choice. There is going to be lots to do and we should have a great deal of fun putting this national event on.

.Meeting adjourned at 10:50 for coffee.
After the coffee break Gordon Moulard was the lucky winner of the 60/40 draw to the tune of \$118 and the Boys and girls Club were once again the beneficiaries.

Dave Fraser introduced our speaker, Mr Daryl Wilson, who was until recently the Provincial Auditor General, and previously with the city of Saint John as

City Manager. His talk was both interesting and informative and spiced with some interesting anecdotes and the differences between Provincial and Municipal bureaucracies. Daryl was thanked by Dave Fraser, our Program Director, and presented with a voucher kindly donated by the **Fort Howe Restaurant**
Meeting adjourned at 12 noon.

NOW FOR THE FUNNIES

As a tribute to our retiring extortionist for the 60 40 draw, Ole Thorbjorn Bordorvik (better known as the Viking) this edition has a distinct Norwegian accent.

Ole and Lena were out walking and Lena clutched her heart and fell to the sidewalk. Ole got out his cell phone and called 9-1-1.

The Operator said "Where are you?"

Ole answered, "We were walking and Lena is on the sidewalk on Eucalyptus Street."

The operator asked, "How do you spell that?"

The phone seemed to go dead. The operator kept shouting for Ole. She could hear him panting.

He finally came back on line and said: "I dragged her over to Oak Street, that's O-A-K."

Lena called the airlines information desk and inquired,

"How long does it take to fly from Minneapolis to Fargo?"

"Yust a minute," said the busy clerk.

"Vell," said Lena, "if it has to go dat fast, I tink I'll yust take da bus."

The judge had just awarded a divorce to Lena, who had charged nonsupport. He said to Ole, "I have decided to give your wife \$400 a month for support." "Vell, dat's fine, Judge," smiled Ole. "And vunce in a while I'll try to chip in a few bucks myself."

Lars, the bartender, asked Ole, "Do ya know da difference between a Norwegian and a canoe?"

"No, I don't," answered Ole. "A canoe will sometimes tip," explained Lars.

Ole is so cheap that after his airplane landed safely he grumbled, "Vell, Deere gose five dollars down da drain for dat flight insurance!

Lars: "Ole, stand in front of my car and tell me if da turn signals are working."

Ole: "Yes, No, Yes, No, Yes, No, Yes, No."

Ole and Lena got married. On their honeymoon trip they were nearing Minneapolis when Ole put his hand on Lena's knee. Giggling, Lena said, "Ole, you can go a little farther now if ya vant to." So Ole drove to Duluth.

Ole died. So Lena went to the local paper to put a notice in the obituaries. The gentleman at the counter, after offering his condolences, asked Lena what she would like to say about Ole. Lena replied, "You yust put 'Ole died.'" The gentleman, somewhat perplexed, asked, "That's it? Just 'Ole died.'? Surely, there must be something more you'd like to say about Ole. If it's money you're concerned about, the first five words are free. We must say something more. So Lena pondered for a few minutes and finally said, "O.K. You put, Ole died. Boat for Sale"

Ole and Lars were on their very first train ride. They had brought along bananas for lunch. Just as they began to peel them, the train entered a long, dark tunnel. "Have you eaten your banana yet?" Ole asked excitedly. "No," replied Lars. "Vell, don't touch it den," Ole exclaimed, "I yust took vun bite and vent blind!"

