



The Phoghorn



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Next Meeting - May 18th, 2011 at the Boys and Girls Club. Our Speaker will be D. Terry Comeau, a Haematologist, who will be speaking on “Stem Cells “ and how they are revolutionizing medicine. This should be of great interest to us who have sundry bits of failing body mechanics.

Last meeting - The monthly meeting was held at 10 AM at the Boys and Girls Club, with President Bob Capson chairing and about 30 members in attendance. The President welcomed back the gradually returning snowbirds. After “O Canada”, Clarence Blois led a singalong with Holy Week and spring themes.

Minutes - of the March 16th meeting were summarized by the Secretary, and accepted on his motion.

Business Arising: The Sugar Camp tour was successful, but it included a speeding ticket for one of the drivers. It was noted that Bill Brydges and family went.

Member News: There were no guests or new members. Ed Stephenson and Nihat Ozerdem sent resignations. William Brydges hopes to return for the next meeting.

Member Profile: Clarence Blois revealed a great variety in his career and his interests. He was a draftsman at Base Gagetown, loans manager at Bank of Nova Scotia, a beverage room owner, and a realtor. He has been active in the Kinsmen, Rotary, and Y’s Men. Musically, he has taken part in quartet contests and in the Banjo Barons.

Finances: Treasurer Don Mitchener filed a report on dues payments, and also a financial report showing total receipts of \$2275 and total expenses of \$1329 from July 1st to date. We have \$1241 on hand.

Membership: Members suggested an ad and/or community profile in the Telegraph Journal, and also promotion in its Events Calendar. It was suggested members not paid by October be called, and follow up with an invoice later.

Phone Committee: Duane Lister reported that all is well for now.

House Committee: Gordon Moulard booked 15 for soup and sandwich lunch.

Phoghorn: Ralph Wood reported that some were delayed this month (due to so much election material (a.k.a. “junk”?) being handled by Canada Post?).

New Business: Bob Capson noted that applications are available for Rendezvous 2011 in Vancouver.

Story Time: Bob Capson and Carl Tompkins told stories that escape memory easily.

60/40 Draw: Ron Lister won \$79 and donated his winnings to the Boys and Girls Club.

Guest Speaker: Bob Capson introduced Kent McIntyre, General Manager of the Saint John Waterfront Development Corporation. Kent has held similar positions in Halifax and Sydney. This organization was named the Market Square Corporation in 1980, then the Saint John Development Corporation in 1997, and

assumed its present name in 2006. The Corporation oversees projects around the waterfront from the Three Sisters to the Reversing Rapids, and within the city centre. Kent highlighted projects and plans for the Coast Guard site, cruise ship sites, Reversing Falls Park, and headquarters for the Stonehammer Project. Kent was thanked by George McCaughey.

☺ ~Now for those rather soggy Funnies or alleged funnies,
depending on your temperament after all this rain. ☺

A little old lady from Wisconsin had worked in and around her family dairy farms since she was old enough to walk, with hours of hard work and little compensation.

When canned Carnation Milk became available in grocery stores in approximately the 1940s, she read an advertisement offering \$5,000 for the best slogan. The producers wanted a rhyme beginning With 'Carnation Milk is best of all.'

She thought to herself, I know all about milk and dairy farms. I can do this! She sent in her entry, and several weeks later, a black limo pulled up in front of her house.

A man got out and said, 'Carnation' LOVED your entry so much! We are here to award you \$2,000 even though we will not be able to use it!' Her entry read

Carnation Milk is best of all no t**s to pull no hay to haul no buckets to wash no shi*t to pitch Just poke a hole in the son of a bitch.

A distinguished young woman on a flight from Switzerland asked the Priest beside her,

"Father, may I ask a favor?"

"Of course. What may I do for you?"

"Well, I bought an expensive woman's electronic hair dryer for my mother's birthday that is unopened and well over the Customs limits, and I'm afraid they'll confiscate it. Is there any way you could carry it through Customs for me? Under your robes perhaps?"

"I would love to help you, dear, but I must warn you: I will not lie."

"With your honest face, Father, no one will question you."

When they got to Customs, she let the priest go ahead of her.

The official asked, "Father, do you have anything to declare?"

"From the top of my head down to my waist, I have nothing to declare."

The official thought this answer strange, so asked,

"And what do you have to declare from your waist to the floor?"

"I have a marvelous instrument designed to be used on a woman, but which is, to date, unused."

Roaring with laughter, the official said, "Go ahead, Father..."

Did you hear about the person who sent ten puns to friends with the hope that they would make them laugh

.....No pun in ten did