



THE PHOGHORN



PROBUS Monthly Newsletter

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A Professional and Business Retirees Club.

Meetings are at the Boys & Girls Club located on *Paul Harris Street*

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2018—2019 Executive members

Don LeBlanc ---President

Ed O'Keefe -- Past president

To be announced --1st Vice President:

Fenton Keirstead – 2nd Vice President:

Robert Taylor -----Treasurer

Chip Lawton----- Secretary

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As you may recall, there is no scheduled meeting for the months of **June, July or August**. Our next meeting is on **September 18th, 2019** at the **Saint John Boys and Girls Club**.

As a result, our issue of “**The Phoghorn**” could be shorter than normal.

Remember to be safe during the summer months.

At our May meeting it was mention that **PROBUS** member “**BOB CAPSON**” was not is good health. It is with regrets that **Bob** has passed away. Bob was a former President of the **PROBUS CLUB**.

MINUTES of the Executive meeting held on April 25, 2019 at 9:30am

In attendance – *Ed O'Keefe, Don LeBlanc, Robert Taylor, Chip Lawton, Tom Craig, Ron Pearce.*

Meeting chaired by **President Ed**. Ed thanked all those who held positions for their contribution. Ed will remain as Past President and will assist incoming **President Don LeBlanc**.

Donation to **Boys and Girls Club** – It was agreed that \$100.00 per month will be donated for the months September to May. The 2018 donation was made before Christmas. \$500.00 will be donated for the period January to May 2019.

It was noted we need to recruit a first and second **Vice President**.

Discussion regarding attending the **Annual Regional Meeting** – In the past the club has sponsored sending one or two representatives to the Annual Meeting and this should continue.

We discussed the program of guest speakers and how this has created interest in the Club. John Doyle has done a great job of obtaining speakers.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 am.

Chip Lawton

MINUTES FOR PROBUS MEETING, MAY 15th, 2019

Meeting called to order at 10:05 am. Vice President **Don LeBlanc** in the chair.

Singing of O Canada and sing-along led by **Murray Driscoll** on the piano and **Gordon Mouland**.

Memoriam for departed members: No departed members. **Richard Burpee** brought to our attention that **Bob Capson** is in poor health and has lost weight and that we should keep him in our prayers.

Minutes of last meeting: **Don LeBlanc** indicated that the minutes of the **April** meeting were published in the **Phoghorn** e-mail. **Richard Burpee** moved minutes be accepted as presented, seconded by **Gordon Dempsey**. It was noted that the executive meeting was held April 25, 2019. Minutes of that meeting will be published in the next **Phoghorn Newsletter**.

Business Arising: It was decided we should try to arrange for an outing in the fall. It was felt the outing could be held at a different time than our regular meetings. It might be interesting to have a tour at **Moosehead Breweries**. They now have a brew pub.

Membership/Guests: **John Doyle** re-introduced **Peter Morris** who was presented with a membership pin. **Peter** was originally from Saint John, had been away for 45 years and recently retired from the oil company, **Sunoco**. **Peter** lives in Millidgeville. **Peter** gave a short talk thanking the club and is looking forward to making connections in the community.

History of Saint John: **Bill Covert** was not in attendance; **Don LeBlanc** spoke about **Benedict Arnold** a subject he is very familiar with. **Benedict Arnold** lived in Saint John from 1785-1791 and was a very successful businessman. Don explained that Arnold was not a traitor as has been outlined in our school textbooks.

Lunch Count: 24 planned to stay for the optional lunch of roast beef with vegetables.

It was noted that our lunches are prepared by **Stone Soup Catering**, which is a social enterprise that trains and hires participants to provide them with meaningful work and to deliver healthy meals. Two of the **Stone Soup** staff, **Sandra** and **Jerry**, were thanked by **PROBUS** for their service.

Treasurer's Report: **Robert Taylor** did not have a formal written report, but the Club started the year with \$1257.00 and ended the year also with \$1257.00. He indicates we appear to be self-sustaining with the annual dues of \$30.00. We have approximately 60 members. It was moved to accept the report as presented and seconded by **Sid Lodhi**. It was indicated that our donation of \$500.00 was to be made to **The Boys and Girls Club** covering the period January to May 2019. **Amy Shanks** from **The Boys and Girls Club** was presented with a cheque of \$500.00. **Amy** thanked the Club for the donation.

Fall Program: **John Doyle** has lined up **Derrick Stanford**, CEO of The **Saint John Airport** for September. In October we will have a half hour **yoga presentation**.

President's Report: **Don** spoke about how much he enjoys the Club, he talked about our motto which is "**We do nothing and have fun doing it.**" He spoke of his career first with Central Trust then 30 years as a Realtor in Saint John. Don thanked those who contribute as Committee Chairmen and Officers. Don feels **PROBUS** is a worthwhile organization for retirees to socialize on a regular basis.

Slate of Officers for 2019 -2020

President – Don LeBlanc

Past President – Ed O’Keefe

Treasurer – Robert Taylor

Recording Secretary – Chip Lawton

1st Vice President -----needs to be filled

2nd Vice President -----needs to be filled

There were no nominations from the floor. Nominations closed.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN:

Membership ---- **Dale Stevens**

Pins & Name Tags ----- **Chip Lawton & David Flewelling**

Program ---- **John Doyle**

House Manager, Phoghorn Newsletter, Photography ----**Tom Craig**

Draw Ticket Master ---- **Ron Pierce**

Web Site ---- **Robert Lockhart**

Choir Master ----- **Gordon Mouland & Murry Driscoll, (when available)**

Guest Speakers ----- **John Doyle**

Elected officials as noted.

Coffee, 50/50: **Gordon Mouland** won the 50/50 draw. The total pot was \$107.00. A donation of \$53.50 will be made to **The Boys and Girls Club.**

Guest Speaker: Peter Jolly introduced **Wanda Hughes**, spokesperson for **The STONE HAMMER GEO PARK**. The Geo Park started nine years ago and covers an area of 2500 square kilometers. We have very interesting rock formations, some of which are understood to be one billion years old. Evidence of formations from **South America and Africa** can be found at **Reversing Falls Rapids**. People come from various parts of the world to study our geology. Don LeBlanc thanked Wanda and presented her with a **PROBUS** mug. **Wanda** agreed to stay for lunch and answer further questions.

The meeting was adjourned for the optional roast beef lunch. Tom Craig supplied a cake for us to enjoy for our final meeting before the summer break. Our next meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2019.

Here are some highlights from our May meeting



Vice President **Don Leblanc** welcomes all members



Peter Jolly purchasing the lucky ticket from **Ron Pierce**



Vice President **Don** welcomes new member **Peter Morris**



Willard Buckley and **Dale Stevens** discuss
"how good the coffee is"



Some members engaged in conversation during the coffee breaks.



Two of the great people that make our monthly meals for **PROBUS**,
Sandra and Jerry of Stone Soup Catering.



Twice a year **PROBUS** donates to the **Boys & Girls Club**. Shown here is Vice President Don presenting a cheque to **AMY SHANKS** for \$500.00 on behalf of **PROBUS Saint John**.

Our guest speaker this month was **Wanda Hughes**. She represents **THE STONEHAMMER GEO PARK.**



Wanda Hughes

Quote on Quote

"We do nothing and have fun doing it."

Bedrock Geology

Rock Type, Geologic Age

-  Metamorphic Rocks, Neoproterozoic
-  Igneous Rocks, Neoproterozoic
-  Igneous Rocks, Neoproterozoic-Cambrian
-  Igneous Rocks, Cambrian
-  Igneous Rocks, Silurian
-  Igneous Rocks, Devonian
-  Mixed Volcanic and Sedimentary Rocks, Neoproterozoic
-  Mixed Volcanic and Sedimentary Rocks, Neoproterozoic-Cambrian
-  Mixed Volcanic and Sedimentary Rocks, Silurian
-  Mixed Volcanic and Sedimentary Rocks, Devonian
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Neoproterozoic
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Neoproterozoic-Cambrian
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Cambrian
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Cambrian-Ordovician
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Silurian
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Devonian
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Devonian-Carboniferous
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Carboniferous
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Triassic
-  Sedimentary Rocks, Cretaceous
-  Unconsolidated Sediment, Neogene

- Stonehammer Geosites

Bedrock Geology of the Stonehammer Geopark

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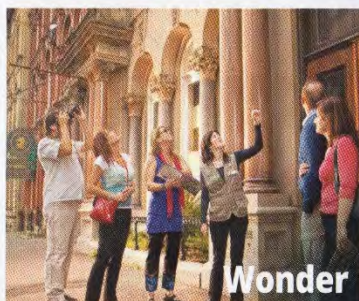
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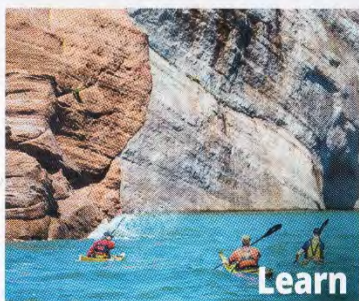
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Walk



Explore



Learn



Kayak



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s about geology, but it is also about people,

SPARKING CURIOSITY
WITH A BILLION YEARS OF STORIES



The presentation was very well received. This was evident by the number of questions that followed.

As **Ralph Wood** would say, time for some **FABULOUS FUNNIES**"

- My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb.
- When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.
- To me, "drink responsibly" means don't spill it!

A lawyer, who had a wife and 12 children and needed to move because his rental agreement was terminated by the owner, who wanted to reoccupy his home. But the lawyer was having a lot of difficulty finding a new house.

When he said, he had 12 children, no one would rent a home to him because they felt that the children would destroy the place. He couldn't say he had no children, because he couldn't lie (and as we all know, lawyers cannot, and do not lie).

So, he sent his wife for a walk to the cemetery with 11 of their kids.

He took the remaining one with him to see rental homes with the real estate agent.

He loved one of the homes, and the price was right.

The agent asked: "How many children do you have?" He answered: "Twelve."

The agent asked, "Where are the others?"

The lawyer, with his best courtroom sad look, answered, "They're in the cemetery with their mother."

MORAL: It's not necessary to lie; one only must choose the right words, and don't forget, most politicians are lawyers.



"You're looking a lot better today, Ralph."



Beautiful Bay of Fundy near Pocologan, NB



Tom Craig
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