



The Phoghorn

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A Professional and Business Retirees Club.

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2018—2019 *Executive members*

Ed O'Keefe -- President;
Don LeBlanc -- 1st Vice President;
Fenton Keirstead -- 2nd Vice President.
Robert Taylor – Treasurer
T.B.A. –Secretary



PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Gentlemen,

As we come to the time of the year when we can count our blessings, we need to think of how lucky we are. For most, we can look around and see the family and friends that help make our lives feel warm and fuzzy, especially if we are in good health.

So, let's try this year to think of people we know that are not so lucky, we need to reach out to them and try to shed a little blessing their way. At **PROBUS** we have a very friendly family where we can offer a hand and invite a friend or family member to join us for our Dec. 12th Christmas lunch, pay their way and even offer to drive them.

I want to say a special thanks to the members who have volunteered to call and remind the members of our monthly meetings.

You have helped to make our gathering more meaningful. Also, your phone call means so much to those who receive the call as I have had great feedback. So, keep up the great job especially in the **New Year**.

Merry Christmas to all.

NOTE:

*Just a reminder that for **December** our meeting is held on the 12th. This is earlier than usual as everyone is busy as we get closer to **Christmas**. Location is at the **Boys & Girls Club** at 10:00 AM.*

*As usual, we will have Christmas dinner of Turkey including all the trimmings. With that in mind, the price of the meal is also **adjusted to \$10.00 plus a tip** for the people that cook up such a fantastic meal. Maybe, we could add a little something extra as a tip this year to show our appreciation? A reminder for all who stay for dinner, it would be appreciated if the meal was paid for, prior to the serving. It makes for less confusion.*

*When available, the newspaper from **PROBUS Canada**, will be added to this newspaper. This will provide information as to what is happening across the country with other Probus chapters.*

*Entertainment this year at our December meeting will be **The Saint John String Quartet**, featuring; **David Adams, Danielle Sametz, Sonya Adams and Chris Buckley**.*

Minutes of the November meeting.

Minutes of the Saint John Probus Club

November 21, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 10:02 am by **V.P. Don LeBlanc**.

Gordon Moulard led the sing along with had a St. Andrews theme.

A motion to accept the minutes of the October meeting was made by **Gordon Dempsey** and second by **George McCauhey**.

Chip Lawton introduced a new member, **Howard Pearn**. He was presented with his certificate and pin by **VP Don LeBlanc**.

Chip Lawton also presented long service pins to members who were not able to attend October's meeting. They are:

- 10-year pin to **Ron Lister and Dale Stevens**.
- 15-year pin to **Glen Mac Donald**.
- 20-year pin to **Randy Giffin**.

Howard Pearn is off to a flying start by introducing a new member. **Donald Connolly**.

Bill Covert read from the Saint John Book, "**Snippets**".

23 Members stayed for lunch of delicious "Ham and Potatoes".

Robert Taylor report on our finances with \$2,200.00 in the bank.

Chip Lawton (again) won the 50/50 draw.

A note that our December's meeting is one week early for December, the 12th.

Jim Wilson was our guest speaker and gave an outstanding talk on the **Bay of Fundy**. We don't realize what a treasure we have at our doorstep.

Jim told about the thousands of fish that inhabit the Bay of Fundy and showed slides of the different species of whales. He described each kind. Birds are Jim's main interest and he talked about the millions of birds who fly over the Bay on their way **South and North**.

Jim was presented a **Probus** coffee mug by **Peter Jolly**.

Next meeting is on December 12th with the **String Quartet** provide the entertainment. A turkey meal is planned.

Acting Sectary, **Brian Mitchell**

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE NOVEMBER MEETING.



Bill Covert reads from "**SAINT JOHN SNIPPETS**". This book covers events on this day, from years past. The book is written by local history buff **David Goss**.



Chip Lawton, left, presents a welcome certificate as a new member of **Probus**, **Greg Sinclair**



Chip Lawton, left, welcomes new member **Howard Pearn**



1st Vice president, **Don LeBlanc**, presents **Randy Giffin**, with his 20-year pin as a member of **Probus**



Howard Pearn introduces prospective new member **Don Connolly**



Peter Jolly introduces **Jim Wilson**, (the bird man) for a well received talk on our wildlife in the **Bay of Fundy**.



Gordon Mouland leads the group in a sing along.

**Note: New \$10.00 bank note just issued by the Bank of Canada is available after the meeting from Tom Craig, face value.
Canada's first vertical bank note. "VIOLA DESMOND"**



INTERESTING ART

Guido Daniele: *It'll take him four hours to do one hand. He then photographs it for posterity. I cannot imagine how he does it, the eyes are so remarkably lifelike. It took him 10 hours to do the two-handed eagle picture.*



“CHUCKLES CORNER”



I wonder why we
are so so obsessed
with trying
to find
intelligent
life on
other planets,
when we can't
even find
intelligent life here?



Should I tell him...



Or just see what happens.

Finally making realistic mannequins in the men's department.



Pictures worth a thousand words!

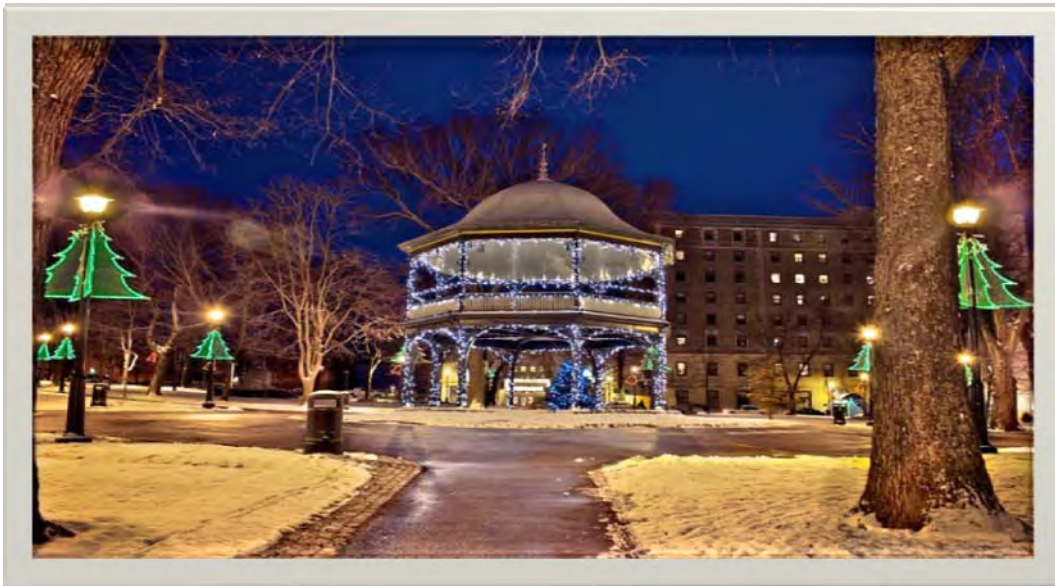


Fell years ago.

Never gave up.

--CHRISTMAS SEASON, KING SQUARE--

Saint John NB



Merry Christmas to all