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## **PROBUS Monthly Newsletter**

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

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### 2019—2020 Executive members

*Don LeBlanc* --- President

*Ed O'Keefe* ----- Past president

To be announced --1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:

*Robert Taylor*- ----- Treasurer

*Chip Lawton*----- Secretary



President *Don LeBlanc* in the chair

### PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

This month we will vote on our updates for the Club's by-laws and Constitution.

On the social side we have scheduled a visit to the *Moosehead Breweries*.

Our guest speaker for October will be *Jay McLean of the YOGA HOUSE*

I have just returned; along with *Bill Covert* from our District *PROBUS* Conference which was very well presented by the Halifax Club. The venue was great, and the presenters were exceptional - being two Dr's; one a Physio therapist and the other, a Dalhousie University Professor.

The topics were on healthy aging and both were well received by all! Both Bill & I were impressed with the material and value of these presentations! We were provided a great lunch and then we had information sessions and input sessions relating to the growth and sustainability issues regarding the continued good health of *PROBUS*.

Our Canadian *PROBUS Canada* President gave a presentation about her year as President.

Best regards *Don LeBlanc Club President.*

**Minutes from the PROBUS meeting  
for the month of September 2019.**

**Call to order 10:00 am September 18, 2019**

**President Don LeBlanc** chaired the meeting and welcomed members and guests.

**O Canada** and sing-along were led by **Gordon Mouland**.

**Memorials** – It was noted that **Bob James** died this summer. **Don LeBlanc** attended a Celebration of Life for **Bob Capson** which was held at Lily Lake. It is also noted that **Bill Bambury** is in the hospital.

**Minutes of last meeting** – a motion to accept the minutes as published in **The Phoghorn** e-mail was made by **George McCaughey** and seconded by **Gordon Dempsey**.

**Treasurer's Report** – **Robert Taylor** is away. **Don LeBlanc** suggested we wait for his return to receive the Treasurer's Report at our next meeting in October.

**Membership – Guests** – **Dale Stevens** introduced **John Watson**. John had retired from The **Irving Oil Refinery** and is a member of **The Shriners**. **Gordon Dempsey** introduced **Allan Donaldson** who was a **Judge in British Columbia**. Allan is a golfer, likes cars and has a Jaguar XKE.

**Snippets by David Goss** – **Bill Covert** read several passages from David's book – September 18, 1904 visitors came to Saint John to visit **Reversing Falls, Seaside Park, Martello Tower, The Cathedral and Trinity Church**. September 21, 1983 **Calp's** Department Store celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. They employed over 100 people. Ten years later the store closed for good March 1993. Don LeBlanc spoke about **Loyalist House** where he and **Chip Lawton** volunteer as guides along with several others. Additional volunteers are needed especially during multiple cruise ship days.

**Lunch Count** – Twenty people indicated they would stay for the lunch of **Lasagna and Caesar Salad**.

**Upcoming Programs** – **John Doyle** has arranged **Jay McLean of YOGA HOUSE** for October, **Jim Quinn**, Port of Saint John for November followed by the **String Quartet** in December. John brought up the possibility of a tour of **Moosehead Brewery**. This appears to be a popular idea. Twenty-five indicated they would attend. A fee of \$15.00 per person is applicable. We could possibly go November 6 or 13. **Tom Craig** made a motion, seconded by **Ron Lister** that members pay their own way which was passed. It was felt that the tour should not conflict with our regular meeting dates. John is to firm up the details.

**President's Report** – Don LeBlanc thanked **Ed O'Keefe** who served as President along with the Committee and Directors. A plaque will be presented to Ed, he plans to attend our October meeting.

It was noted that **Wes Cosman**, a long time **UCT** Member received an international award as **Volunteer of The Year. Congratulations Wes!**

**New Business** – The **PROBUS Annual Conference is in Halifax October 6 and 7, 2019**. **Don LeBlanc** plans to attend and welcomes any others who wish to go.

Don spoke briefly about the Revised by-laws and constitution. We will vote at the October Meeting whether to accept these items as presented in the last two issues of the Phoghorn Newsletter.

**Allegedly Fabulous Funnies** – Don LeBlanc and George McCaughey had groaners.

**Club ticket draw** – *Larry Krogsdale* was the winner and received \$125.00.

A short break was taken for coffee and conversation.

*Chip Lawton* introduced our speaker for this month, *Mr. Derrick Stanford*, the **CEO** of the *Saint John Airport*.

The *S.J. Airport* is a non-profit organization with a 14-member Board of Directors. The airport received its first Government assistance this year to help with modernizing the runways, which are the most modern in Canada for an airport of its size.

The airport has 17 flights per day. Sixty-five per cent of the business is business travelers. The Airport has two main runways, 5000 feet and 7200 feet. New LED lighting will improve service and allow handling during some adverse conditions.

All parking areas as well as the lounge areas have been renovated.

The Airport has WIFI and several private commercial hangers. Thirteen jets are housed at The Airport. The Airport will develop a Commercial Park in the future. The Airport has an APP where you can check on flights and arrange to have a taxi.

*Derrick* was thanked by *John Johnson* and presented with a **PROBUS 25-year anniversary Mug.**

The meeting adjourned for lunch. Next meeting is **October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 10:00 am**

*Chip Lawton*, Secretary



As discussed at the *September* meeting, the tour of the **Moosehead Breweries** located on Main Street, West Saint John, is going ahead. *John Doyle* will be the point man for the tour and the cost will be \$17.25 per person. The time will be 3:30pm on Wednesday, November the 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019. It is not known at this moment, if free beer is included. Please see **John** at the October meeting of **PROBUS**, if interested in the tour.

The speaker for the month of October the 16<sup>th</sup>/19, will be **Jay McLean of YOGO HOUSE.**

**Ponder this!**

*When you throw babies in the air  
they laugh because they know you will catch them.*

*That's TRUST.*

*On an old man's shirt was written a sentence:  
'I am not 80 years old;  
I am sweet 16 with 64  
Years of experience.'*

*That's ATTITUDE.*

*When I was a child, I thought nap time was punishment.  
Now it's like a mini vacation!*

**GOOD FRIENDS ARE THE RARE JEWELS OF LIFE...  
DIFFICULT TO FIND AND IMPOSSIBLE TO REPLACE!**

**"I NEVER MAKE THE  
SAME MISTAKE TWICE.  
I MAKE IT LIKE FIVE OR  
SIX TIMES, YOU KNOW,  
JUST TO BE SURE."**



## MOMENTS FROM THE SEPTEMBER MEETING



President **Donald Leblanc** and Secretary **Chip Lawton** at the head table with **Gordon** leading the members in a sing along after singing **O CANADA**.  
Our piano master, **Murray Driscoll**, was unable to attend this month.



Everyone's favourite time of the year





**William Covert** reading from the “**SNIPPETS BOOK**” on the history of *Saint John* on this date many years ago.  
**PROBUS** Secretary **Chip Lawson** on **Bill’s** left.



**Gordon Dempsey** introduces **Mr. Allan Donaldson**  
**Mr. Donaldson and Mr. Watson** may become new members.



**Mr. John Watson** was introduced by **Dale Stevens**



Our guest speaker this month was **Derrick Stanford**. He was speaking on the **Saint John Airport’s** improvements that are taking place.



Probus member **John Johnson** presented **Derrick Stanford** with a 25-year anniversary mug on behalf of **PROBUS Saint John**.

## In Lighter Vain

An English pirate captain gets a new cabin boy. Later that day, a Spanish ship approaches and aims its cannons at the English ship. The English pirate captain sees the ship and says, "boy, fetch me my **red jacket**."

The boy fetches the red jacket, and the captain puts the jacket on. The English ship, which is quite well-armed, then blows the Spanish vessel all to Hell.

The next day, 3 Spanish ships approach the British ship, intent on revenge. After spotting the Spaniards with his telescope, again the captain says, "boy, fetch me my **red jacket**." Once again, the cabin boy gets the jacket for the captain and the captain puts it on. A fierce battle ensues with the English ship getting hit by cannon balls several times, but finally the Brits get the upper hand and blast all 3 Spanish ships to smithereens.

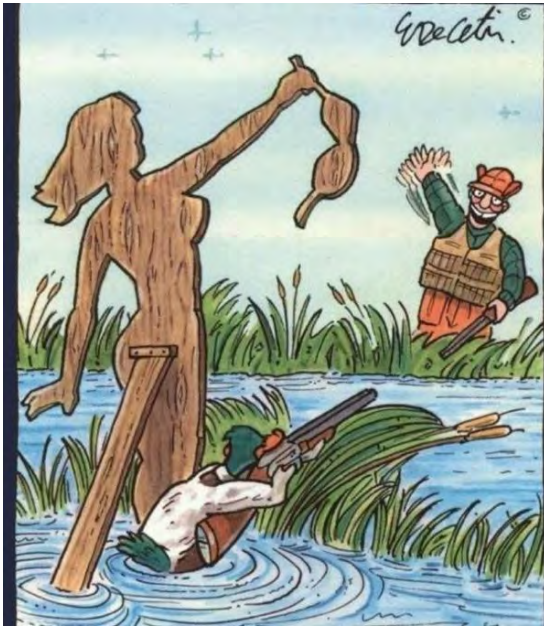
Afterwards, the cabin boy, curious about the red jacket, asks the captain why he wears it during battle. "Well, I wear the red jacket so that in case I'm injured during battle, my blood will blend in with the jacket, and the men will not be afraid because they can't see that their captain has been badly hurt." says the Captain. "That makes sense," says the cabin boy.

A couple of days later, 7 Spanish ships approach the British ship, cannons fully loaded and at the ready. The captain spots them and says, "boy, fetch me my **brown pants!**"



Great advise.





"I don't know what it is about it, but I love this course!"

Does this resemble anyone?

**The correct spelling  
is  
SCHOOL not  
SCHOOOL.  
Some people put the  
second O before the  
first O which is very  
wrong.**

Think about it.

## LOCAL RESTRAUANT SIGNS.



Tom Craig  
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*Go back in time...*

@ THE BMO

Join the **Back in Time Big Band** for an evening  
of big band swing, rock, and popular music  
from the 20th Century in support of  
the Saint John Theatre Company

Friday, October 18th, 2019  
doors open @ 7:00pm

Admission is \$15 @ the door  
cash bar | complimentary appetizers

Location: 112 Princess Street, Saint John, NB

