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Meeting Highlights :

- President Max Radiff called the meeting to order; followed by a group singing of "O Canada".
- He then questioned the group to see who was interested in attending the luncheon after the meeting at the Airport Restaurant, located on Highway #35 north-west of the City (24 members choose to attend).
- Next Max called upon Past President Stewart Kell to come forward and introduce and provide some personal background in regards to our guest speaker for the morning, Colonel (retired) Morris Gates :
 - o was born, raised and educated in Saskatchewan, Alberta;
 - o he joined the RCAF in 1950 at the time of Korean War;
 - o trained as air navigator and after gaining his wings he served with the 408 Squadron;
 - o a listing of his other later tours during his career :
 - a tour of duty with Central Experimental and Proving Establishment;
 - Director of Specialist Navigator Course with the RCAF;
 - Commanding Officer of 404 Maritime Patrol squadron;
 - Commanding Officer of Canadian Forces Base Winnipeg;
 - NATO - Headquarters Allied Forces Central Europe;
 - Personnel Branch as the Director of Personnel Policy Other Ranks;
 - Training Systems Headquarters in Trenton as their Chief of Staff;
 - retired in 1985 and now lives the Woodville on a farm;
 - has published five books on military subjects; the last as co-author with Keith Greenway.
- His presentation was titled, "Keith Greenway – a Canadian Icon in Arctic Navigation" and find below a brief outline of it :
 - o Morris started his presentation by stating, "Keith Rogers Greenaway, was born not ten miles away from Lindsay, at Lot 20, Concession 13, Mariposa Township, Victoria County, ninety-seven years ago today".
 - o Keith lived his early life on a farm near Woodville, and started his education in a one-room schoolhouse in the Eden area.
 - o Wrote his high school entrance exam in Woodville, but shortly thereafter, moved to Toronto to live with relatives, completed his secondary courses and graduated in 1935.
 - o He furthered his education at the Canadian Electronics Institute where he continued studies in physics and mathematics.
 - o The war broke out in Europe in September, 1939 and he wanted to join the RCAF, but a recruiting officer recognized his valuable electronics qualification advised him return to school and complete his diploma course, which he did and finally enlisted in the force in 1940.
 - o Morris continued his presentation by highlighting all Keith's illustrious RCAF military career and positions he held; just to name a few :
 - instructor at No. 1 Wireless School at St. Hubert near Montreal;
 - Operational Training Unit at Greenwood, Nova Scotia;
 - No. 1 Central Navigation School in Rivers to join the Tiger Force to carry out operations against the Japanese.
 - In peacetime, he remained with RCAF and was assigned to compile a new workbook for navigators to aid in new techniques for instruments, radar, and new bomb sights.
 - He aided in the formation of a newly formed RCAF Photo Squadrons, and transport and rescue units.
 - USAAF/RCAF project concerning Low Frequency Long Range Navigation known as LF LORAN:



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Next Month's Guest Speaker

TUESDAY, May 14th



Marty Stollar

"Things You Really Don't Want to Know about the Northwest Trunk Project".



Club member Bruce Faulkner (R) thanking Morris Gates (L) for his presentation on behalf of our club.



Club member Floyd Walden (L) and President Max (R) officially welcomed new member Rodger Cook into our club.



Club Treasurer Bruce Taylor (L) and President Max (R) officially welcomed new member Brian Devan into our club.

Health and Welfare

Please notify Mill Battersby, Health and Welfare and Public Relations, if you have knowledge of any our members that are experiencing health issues at any time.....

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- Defense Research Board (DRB), a section to assist in research about polar air operations and during this time, wrote the book called "Arctic Air Navigation"; the world's standard text on grid gyro navigation techniques.
- Plans Directorate of National Defense Headquarters.
- For his last tour of duty, an advisor to the Chief of the Air Staff of the Malaysian Air Force and was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General for this post, serving until 1971 and then return to Canada and retired from the service because of compulsory retirement age for his rank.
- He did not fully retire, because he served with the following government departments after that :
 - Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Arctic Matters;
 - External Affairs Canada (1997).
- He continued by providing a list that highlighted 19 or 20 awards and professional organizations that he received and was a part of over the years (too many to list within this limited space).
- He ended his presentation with the following statement :
 - "Hopefully it is clear from my words and from the list of awards recognizing Keith's contribution to our Northern nation that he rightfully deserves a designation as a Canadian Icon".
- Upon completion of his presentation he was thanked by member Bruce Faulkner on behalf of our Club and presented with an honorarium.
- Next Max informed the membership that there were two new members to be inducted into our club and called upon Membership Director, Rodger Smith, to conduct the ceremony.
- Rodger requested that Roger Cook (sponsor – Floyd Walden) and Brian Devan (sponsor – Dave Robinson) come forward for their introduction and induction.
- Next Max officially welcomed them all into our Club and the two of them were presented with their name badges, blue folders and Probus pins.
- Max continued with a special presentation to club member Ron Neale for his work on the review of Club's financial statements over the years.
- He informed the membership about a survey that required their review regarding a future Probus Club Rendezvous to be held in Ontario in the future.
- Next he present highlights from April 2nd Management Committee meeting :
 - decision to fully subsidize cost of lunch at the AGM this year;
 - decision to include dessert with the meal at the September BBQ; ticket cost would be increased by \$5.00 to the amount of \$15.00 per person;
 - passed a resolution to appoint our financial reviewers soon so they can get prepared for the 2012-2013 review and to appoint 2013-2014 reviewers at the 2013 AGM ;
 - decision to purchase a laptop computer (and accessories) to be used at our meetings and not to exceed a price of \$1000.00;
 - make available to all members, electronic copies of Minutes of Management Committee meetings upon request to Club Secretary Bruce Taylor;
 - Probus Club's shirts (\$35) and hats (\$16) always available for sale.
- Next Mill Battersby informed the membership about on-going health issues concerning club members Ron Richards and Dave Chadwick.
- In Ted Abbot's absence Max then presented items of interest from the Program Committee :
 - next month's speaker Marty Stollar (Northwest Trunk Project);
 - 22 of our members will be attending Blue Jay game on April 22nd;
 - plans underway for 2nd Annual Probus Golf Day; more to follow.
- Next Max provided a little humorous reading entitled "The Biker's Rescue".
- President Max adjourned meeting and the members attending the luncheon, made their way to the Airport Restaurant.



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I am the sole practitioner of a professional law corporation that is located in Lindsay at 11 Adelaide Street which is just across the street from the west entrance of Lindsay Collegiate and Vocational Institute. I grew up in the west part of Toronto, and graduated from the University of Western Ontario. After completing my Articling with a Toronto firm in 1976, I came to work in Lindsay for the late Donald Warner.

I practiced law with the firm of Warner, Cork and Siegel from 1977 until 1992, concentrating in the areas of civil litigation and real estate law.

Since 1992, I have carried on the practice as a sole practitioner concentrating in the areas of real estate law, business law, wills, estates and estate administration.

“Regrettably, the practice of law has evolved to a point where a degree of specialization is required today that precludes the kind of trusted relationships that solicitors could previously develop with their clients. In my remaining years of practice, I intend to devote more time of enhancing the quality of contact with the many clients that have entrusted matters to me over the years.”

Like many of you, Lindsay has been home to me and my family for over the past 37 years.



View of the law office location.



Reception area of the office.

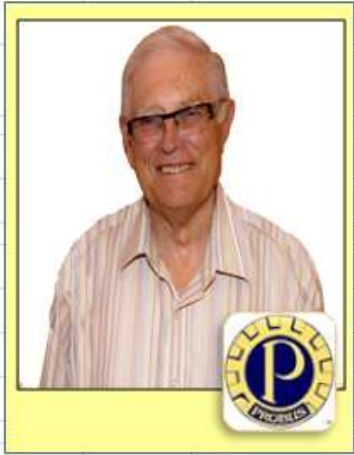
During those years, I have been activity involved in the following organizations:

- Past President of Lindsay Boys and Girls Club;
- Past Director of the United Way;
- Past Director of Bethany Hills School;
- Current member and Director of Beth Israel Synagogue (Peterborough);
- Current Director of Rosseau Lake College.

I wish to commend the members of the Men's Probus Club of Lindsay for their continued commitment to fellowship and contribution in this great community.

If I can provide legal advice to you or your families, please contact my office for assistance.

“ WHO AM I MEMBERS OF THE MONTH ”



My name is : **HAL WOODGATE.**

I was born in St. Catharines, Ontario in 1934.

I live at 31 Clonsilla Drive, Bobcaygeon (our former cottage on Sturgeon Lake), and have been married for 56 years, raising 3 children.

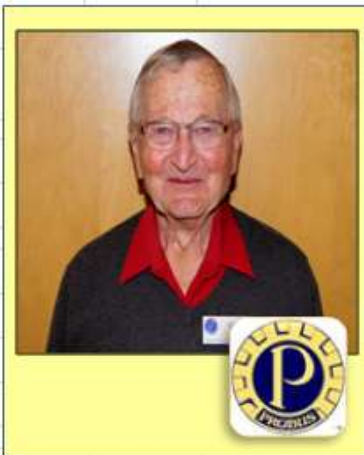
I graduated from Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, with a degree in Civil Engineering, becoming a member of The Professional Engineers of Ontario in 1960.

During my career I have lived in Kingston, Port Hope, St. Catharines, Stoney Creek and Fonthill, all in Ontario. I have held various positions in the family construction and ready-mixed concrete industry, and as City Engineer, Land Development Industry, and as a Consultant Engineer.

I am past member of The American Waterworks Association, American Public Works Association, Ontario Good Roads, City Engineer's Association, and Engineering Institute of Canada.

I have been a member of several Rotary Clubs, becoming a Paul Harris Fellow while with the Niagara Falls Rotary Club.

My most recent hobby was designing and acting as a general contractor on a 1400 sq. ft. addition to our present home. A good deal of the physical work was done by me (a work still in progress). I also enjoy investing, fishing, gardening, boating and have done a great deal of curling in years gone by.



My name is : **MERTON DAVIS.**

I was born on April 18, 1934 in Adolphustown on the shores of the Bay of Quinte (depression years), being a direct descendant of United Empire Loyalists. I would have been the 6th generation to operate that farm.

Today, all of the fences and many of the buildings have been removed to create 100 acre fields for corn and soy beans.

I graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College in 1957 and spent years working for a feed company before teaching at Lindsay Collegiate for the next 30 years. I taught agriculture, horticulture and science and I was head of the science department for 15 years.

I have been fortunate to be married to Eleanor for 53 years and we have 3 sons and 8 grandchildren living in Etobicoke, Gatineau and Halifax.

I was active in home building for ourselves and as partner in RKS Homes that created Lakeside Village at Snug Harbour. We lived on Sturgeon Lake for 24 years.

During my working years I was President of the Ontario Environmental Science Teachers Association, a member of the Ontario Institute of Agrologists and Chair of the Victoria Science Fair. I also was a member of the 20 Club.

At this time in my life, I enjoy gardening, golf, carpentry, travel and design.