

# The Men's Probus Club of Lindsay PROBUS BANNER

EDITION 33 - LAST EDITION OF 2010

DECEMBER, 2010



**Chapter # 185**  
**Charter Date**  
**February 23, 2007**

## **Management Committee :**

### **President and Program Chair :**

**Stewart Kell**

### **Past President & Director, Special Projects**

**Bruce Faulkner**

### **Vice President**

**Max Radiff**

### **Club Treasurer**

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## **Note :**

- **The January meeting will be held back at the Masonic Lodge at the regular time of 10:00am.**

## **Meeting Highlights**

- Our Men's Probus Club of Lindsay 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Party was held on December 14<sup>th</sup> at Hobarts Restaurant located in the Kent Street Mall.
- Upon arrival, everyone was greeted, given the opportunity to purchase some Christmas cheer from the cash bar, sample a large selection of appetizers and mingle with old and new acquaintances before the luncheon started.
- President Stewart opened the luncheon by welcoming our club members, their spouses, partners, and invited guests to the luncheon.
- He then proceeded to present a brief history of our club, some of our accomplishments and agendas since our charter on February 23, 2007.
  - the club started with 17 members;
  - we presently have more than 60 members;
  - we are the largest, internationally recognized, non-service club in the City of Kawartha Lakes;
  - we have succeed in arranging joint meetings with another Probus Club allowing us the opportunity to put on a presentation about our town in the City of Kawartha Lakes, Lindsay, and showcasing its' historical and present day points of interest;
  - a full and interesting program has been developed for 2011 which, it is anticipated, will attract many new members.
- Next President Stewart asked everyone to bow their heads as he asked for the blessing of the food that we were about to receive and fellowship that was to follow.
- We were then treated to delicious three course meal which was presented and served by a very professional staff.
  - a green salad with a fruit dressing;
  - a generous serving of delicious prime roast beef;
  - finishing up with a choice of a couple of delightful desserts;
  - along with a choice of a large glass of red or white wine for your enjoyment during the meal.
- Upon completion of our meal, President Stewart asked everyone to join with him in a round of applause to show their appreciation to the management and their staff for the great food and service that was provided.
- He then called upon club member George McFadden to introduce our special guest speaker for the day, Rev. Bob Quick who was asked to present a Christmas message to our group.
- His presentation contained the following points of interest :
  - A brief history of his childhood - born and raised in the Orillia area;
  - a variety of humorous Christmas stories that took place during his adolescent years on a farm in that area;
  - he informed the group that his Christmas message was composed around the phrase "Home For Christmas" ;

## **Next Month's Guest Speaker ?**

- Inspector Mark Mitchell of the City of Kawartha Lakes Police Department, to speak on his recent tour of duty in Afghanistan.



President Stewart and guest speaker, Rev. Bob Quick.



President Stewart and musical entertainer, Mr. Bob May (RMM – Music Man Recording).



Hoberts, Lisa Fisher (manager) and Frank Peters (owner) holding the first of the new Probus crystal stein that was presented them.



Frank Peters, Lisa Fisher and Special Projects Director, Bruce Faulkner pictured at the special presentation.

- He explained why he built his message around the "Home For Christmas" phrase and what importance it should represent to each and every one of us :
  - "HOME" - we can be ourselves there;
  - "HOME" - we are always welcome there;
  - "HOME" - is where "GOD IS";
  - "HOME" - we are always a somebody;
  - "HOME" - the family as a whole getting together;
  - "HOME"- rejoicing with friends, old and new.
- Information concerning the living Christmas tree, a special Christmas presentation that is open to the general public and is presented at the St. Andrews Presbyterian Church every Christmas season year, that he takes a major part in.

- Upon completion of his very entertaining message or presentation, he was thanked on behalf of the group by President Stewart.
- Next President Stewart introduced Mr. Bob May (MMR – Music Man Recording) who had been asked to provide musical entertainment for our luncheon.
- Bob opened his program with singing of a song that was named the official song of the City of Lindsay which he and a young girl from Lindsay composed for the recent anniversary celebrations.
- He then led the group in singing a number of "OLD" Christmas carols and you could tell by the loud response, everyone really enjoyed them by revealing their hidden musical talents whether in tune or not.
- After the completion of the final Christmas carol, he was thanked by President Stewart for taking part in our annual Christmas party.
- During the luncheon a 50/50 draw was held and Mrs. Claudette Chartrand (our treasurer's wife) was a winner of \$101.50.
- Also Frank Peters, owner of Hoberts, donated a set of special steak knives for an additional draw and the lucky winner was Rodger Smith.
- In closing, President Stewart again thanked everyone for attending, wished everyone a very merry Christmas and extended best wishes for 2011.

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**( A Probus Club First - Special Recognition - Stein Presentation )**

Following the highly successful Christmas party at Hobarts Steak House the management Committee decided to recognize the cooperation and support of Hobarts owner, Frank Peters, by presenting him with a small token of our appreciation (see picture images to the left).

**On Wednesday, December 23rd, Bruce Faulkner, Special Projects Director, presented Mr. Peters with the first of the new crystal steins, which bear our Club's logo.**

Mr. Peters intends to place this Men's Probus Club of Lindsay, crystal stein, on his bar at the restaurant for public display.

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