

The Men's Probus Club of Lindsay PROBUS BANNER

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Note :

- Due to continuing roof repairs at the Masonic Temple, the **November 9th - Remembrance Day Meeting** will be held at the **Lindsay Inn** located on **Lindsay Street South**.

Next Month's Guest Speaker ?

- Major Leo Phillips, of the 22 Wing North Bay Unit/Division, will be speaking about his term of duty at the Adjutant, Camp Mirage, Afghanistan.

Meeting Highlights

- Due to continuing roof repairs at the Masonic Temple, our Annual General Meeting was held at the Olympia Restaurant in their upstairs banquet room.
- President Stewart called the meeting to order and asked the membership to join with him in the singing of our national anthem (a new function).
- He passed on some updated information (good and sad) concerning club members Don Sindrey and Jack Goodwin. The good news, Don is still responding to his rehab treatments and is coming along quite well. The sad news, Jack passed away on October 8th and since has been cremated. A funeral service will be held at the Mackey Funeral Home on Monday, October 18th at 11:00 am. Visitation will be held before the funeral from 10:00 to 11:00 am.
- He then called upon club member Dave McLelland (sponsor) to introduce and provide a brief background of our newest club new member, Stan Hill.
- Next topic, the Annual Financial Statement :
 - all club members should have received a copy of the statement via e-mail from Ron Chartrand;
 - extended coverage dates, from period April 01, 2009 to September 30, 2010, because of change in the date of the Annual General Meeting;
 - an audit will be conducted by Ron Chartrand, Ben Jowitt and Ron Neale.
- Stewart talked about some items that concerned the club's officers :
 - due to the sudden death of our Vice President, Will Gilbert, the chain of succession has been broken and he (Stewart) will continue to act as President of the Men's Probus Club of Lindsay for another term;
 - at the end of that term, our newly appointed Vice President, Max Radiff, will take over as president.
- Stewart presented a brief review of the club's history and it's progress since charting on February 23, 2007 (a little more that 3 ½ years ago) :
 - the Probus club came about in the fall of 2006, and was the brainchild of Bruce Faulkner and Ed Stephenson;
 - Since it had been decided that this would be a "men only" club it was necessary find a men's club sponsor.
 - Bruce was appointed the first President of this newly formed club;
 - Will Gilbert, Pat Dunn, Bill Coe and Ron Morgan were the first members to be signed up to help meet the charting requirement;
 - Ed and the others mentioned above were the first appointed members to hold a position within the management group of this new club (secretary, treasurer, membership, etc.);
 - the regional director (Stone Avery) contacted the Men's Club of Newmarket and they agreed to sponsor this new Lindsay chapter;
 - on February 23, 2007, the Newmarket induction team arrived in Lindsay and after due process, we were awarded our Charter #185 and The Men's Probus Club of Lindsay came into being;

Meeting Highlights Cont'd



Peter Doyle and President Stewart signing the official induction documentation



The newly inducted 2010/2011 Management Committee along with Peter Doyle (seated bottom right)



Club member and guest speaker Jack Wilson and President Stewart



**Mr. Peter Doyle
Director of District #1 – Probus Club.**

- the club had only 17 charter members;
- initially meetings were held in members homes, but as the membership increased, they had to move to larger facilities;
- presently, all our monthly meetings are held at the Masonic Temple unless notified of a different location;
- as an independently funded entity, the club had to create a membership base to support the club's financial needs;
- the management committee meets regularly the first Tuesday of every month;
- this committee discusses club matters and required actions are assigned to the appropriate members;
- a number of committees have been formed to assist the Management Committee with the operation of the club;
- a Club Constitution and a set of By-laws have been drawn up and put into place to help manage this new chapter.

- Stewart introduced Mr. Peter Doyle, the Director of District #1, who talked about the Probus organization in general. He also talked briefly about his present position and what his responsibilities were within the organization.
- Peter then presided over the induction ceremony of our Management Committee (organization chart shown on page #5 of this edition) for the on-coming term (President, Vice President, etc).
- After our coffee break, Stewart introduced Jack Wilson, a club member who presented a very informative slide presentation regarding the growth of the credit card industry and some of its security problems.
- Following the presentation, Jack was thanked on behalf of the membership by fellow club member John Crosgrey.
- In closing, Stewart thanked Peter Doyle for making his long journey from Kanata to Lindsay and taking part in our Annual General Meeting; the meeting was then adjourned.
- Following the adjournment, the membership enjoyed a buffet.

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- "**The Kawartha Therapeutic Centre** is owned and operated by Dr. Michael Carney who offers a full range of therapeutic services, including chiropractic, acupuncture, massage and rehabilitation. I know of which I speak as both my wife and I use his services on a regular basis. However, I would argue that Michael's real claim to fame is that, as far as I know, he is the only chiropractor ever recommended by a doctor. How about that!"
- "Neither Ray DeNure or his company, **DeNure Tours**, needs any introduction. Ray is a well known local businessman and DeNure Tours is simply the best coach operator, in Ontario. For those who have used DeNure Tours in the past you should know that that they are now offering a unique European riverboat cruise experience. Also, Ray has bought a new place at Myrtle Beach, SC , the "Ocean Reef" resort which looks like a winner.
- "When people talk about any funeral home you get a sense of oldness, stuffiness and tradition. However, that is most certainly not the case when dealing with the **Mackey Funeral Home**. You may recall our speaker last month talking about the rate of change taking place in society and how tradition was going by the wayside. Nowhere, apparently, is it more obvious than in the funeral business. My wife and I recently visited with Linden Mackey to make arrangements for "our passage to the other side". We actually chose a traditional service with 'tea and cookies' to follow. However, Linden was explaining the incredible changes that were taking place in the industry and how he was coping with the modern day requirements. He can virtually offer anything you wish in a funeral service – from a traditional ceremony with all the trappings to a modern high tech event."
- "**Hutton, Evans, Flynn** are a firm of locally known and highly regarded chartered accountants. You may remember when partner, Andrew Flynn, spoke to our club and offered all sorts of good advice particularly to those of us who are inclined to play the market. Following Andrew's presentation I personally decided to make use of their services and believe me it was one of the best decisions I ever made."
- "Some would argue that it is hard to say anything good about a lawyer but in the case of **Len Siegel** that would not be true. Len is not only an outstanding lawyer but he and his wife, Patty, are well known for their contribution to the community. I haven't used Len's services myself but I know some of our club members have and they were very happy with the way things turned out."
- "**The Lindsay Ear Clinic** and the Bobcaygeon Hearing Service are both owned and operated by local residents, Jim and Marie Roy. Recently my wife and I took advantage of a free hearing test being offered. Knowing that I am starting to have some hearing problems I fully expected to be sold some sort of hearing aid. What a surprise – no sales pitch! As it turned out I do have a slight hearing problem but apparently not enough to warrant a hearing aid. At least, not yet! Well, guess where I will be having my next test?"
- "**The Eye Care Centre** a locally owned and operated business. You can depend on both Rudy and Steve to fit you up with the right eye glasses and they can arrange for you to have your eyes tested right on the premises."
- "**Silver Connections**" is a locally owned company. The owners, Twila Del Fatti and Barb Smith provide a free service to new and long time residents to help them find local companies or contractors to meet their needs. Among the services available are: health and wellness, automotive, financial, bereavement, home maintenance/repair/build, lawn care and home cleaning and support."

Herewith the make-up of the Management Committee and related club officers following the Annual General Meeting, on October 12, 2010.

