



**MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET
GENERAL MEETING**

**Wednesday, 17 February 2021
Virtual by ZOOM**

President

Sunny Lau

A few more than 65 participants; including our members and guests from across Canada and around the world signed into the meeting.

President Sunny welcomed all and reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

O Canada: Our traditional version was shared

Management Reports:

- **Secretary.** *Doug Wrigglesworth*
The minutes of the January meeting were reviewed, along with highlights from the 3 February Management meeting.
- **Treasurer** *Rob Vernon*
A current financial report to date was shared with the attendees.
- **Membership** *David Elms*
Membership chair reported that membership of 92 paid up members was reported. A traditional humorous anecdote followed.
- **Induction of New members**
Four new members were welcomed and 'read in' by President Sunny:
Paul Bath – sponsored by Larry Sikorski
Bill Docherty – sponsored by Warren MacRobie
Ted McClenny – sponsored by Ken Parsons
John Parkin – sponsored by Steve Muir
- **Programs** *Naqi Ahsan*
Confirmed speakers until July were reported.
- **Who Am I?** *Dick Furlong*
RAM MUKHERJI, founder and past-president of the PROBUS Club of Hyderabad in India spoke of his own career in the chemistry of citric acid, and of the formation and activities of his home Club.

Speaker: Christina Bisanz, CEO of CHATS (Community & Home Assistance To Seniors) gave a most informative and helpful outline of the resources for Seniors available at CHATS and its important role in the new Ontario Local Health Integration Network. She answered several questions and will share her informative PP Deck with us.

A very few highlights:

- York Region has a much older than average population
- York Region has a much higher life expectancy than elsewhere.
- CHATS is a great help source for both seniors and their caregivers
- CHATS offers a caregiver support program
- CHATS is happy to offer guidance through the network of help options available
- A favourite program is “Home at Last” through which seniors released from hospital are assisted in returning home.

Adjournment c 11:45