



MEN'S PROBUS CLUB OF NEWMARKET

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Wednesday April 17th Newmarket Legion Hall

- **Opening** *Paul Bath*
 - Paul opened the meeting at 10:00.
 - Welcomed members and introduction of guests.
 - Recognized members who attended Probud 101 session and reminded everyone that session on May 1st still had 3 openings available.
 - Induction of new member, Rob Knezacek.

- **Vice President** *Bob Thivierge*
 - Golf Tournament will be held at Mill Run Highland course on Wednesday June 26th at 10:00am. Cost is \$80 and includes Lunch, Golf, Cart, and Prizes.
 - Golf sign up will be done by E Blast with menu choice to be made a time of payment.
 - Christmas event will be held on Wednesday November 20th. Location will be at the Newmarket Legion Hall, and will be catered by Million Mouthfuls Catering. Details to follow.

- **Minutes & Correspondence** *Brian Keddy*
 - The minutes of the March 20th meeting were reviewed and approved.

- **Treasurer Report** *Sunny Lau*
 - Sunny indicated financial status is in good shape and that we are running a surplus this year.

- **Membership Report** *Dave Elms*
 - Club membership now stands at 81.
 - Today's attendance was 48. Dave reminded members to please indicate their month of birth on the sign in sheet so we can acknowledge celebration of birthdays in upcoming newsletters

- **Marketing Report** *Dick Furlong*
 - Queens Park event is a go for Monday May 13th. We will be using a bus which will be departing from the Ray Twinney Complex. Acknowledgement

to Dave E., Dave B., Bob, Paul, Bill, and Dick for all the work they have put into pulling this trip together.

- Rib Fest event is being held May 31st to June 2nd, and we will be looking for volunteers to support the club's involvement again this year.
- Next Marketing team meeting is Tuesday April 23rd and is open to all interested in joining.
- Dick acknowledged the passing of Wally King who joined our club in 2000.

- **Programs Report**

Dave Brisley

- May guest speaker is Annemarie Hagan who will be exploring the unexpected life of Artist Frederick Hagan, who has had 3 paintings reproduced as stamps.
- June guest speaker is Sarah Hendrick, who will be speaking about the Canine operations of the OPP.

- **Past President/Newsletter**

Bill Kidd

- Next newsletter to include acknowledgement of birthday celebrations.
- Looking for members to provide content / stories for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter.

- **New Business**

- Welcome to John Vanderwielen who is joining the Management Committee as Assistant-Programmes & Entertainment.

- **Who Am I**

Carl Wierenga Gave a very interesting account of his life history. Born and raised in Holland. His family immigrated to Canada and settled in Holland Marsh in 1967. Now retired enjoys volunteer work, travelling and gardening.

- **Guest Speaker**

Emily Oriold and Jamie Williams of the Foster Festival entertained us with a reading from Ship to Shore, one of Norm Fosters plays. Norm Foster born in Newmarket raised in Scarborough went on to write 78 plays, some of which have been reproduced internationally. Emily talked of how Fosters uplifting, real life situations and feel-good plays inspired her at an early age to become the Founding Executive Director of the Foster Festival in St Catharines at the Mandeville Theatre.

- **Adjournment** Noon for Lunch at Castle John's