

## BLUE SKY PROBUS CLUB

Probus Club #268

### Notes Blue Sky PROBUS CLUB Meeting Tuesday, November 12, 2019

- 31 members attending which includes 3 new members. The Market Management people are not included in this count.
- Meeting commenced with welcome by President Howard, with special welcome to VP of North Bay Probus Club, Mark Vincent as well as John Roberts and Mary Willard.
- Further distribution of name badges.
- November birthdays were few- Tom Chambers and Tom Cook. Wishing you the best.
- The coffee for today's meeting supplied by Clyde Creek Roastery.
- In regards to our **Christmas Pot Luck**, Barb Laplante asks that we label our dish and bring enough for 6-8 people. Marilyn is planning to decorate.
- **Travel.** Elaine Kennedy gave us an update on the 1 day trip and two day trip options. The 1 day trip is set for August 2<sup>nd</sup> to Penetanguishene to see show "Fiddler on the Loose" where up to 60 songs will be performed. Trip includes lunch and stop at Michaels in Sundridge on the way home. Approximate cost \$199. Two day trip is to Niagara Falls/Niagara on the Lake on September 16-18, no price set yet. Staying at Doubletree Resort & Spa, trip of winery, two breakfasts, Shaw Festival show and dinner theatre all included.
- **Book Club** report by Denise Parry -says problems with attendance so putting "on hold" till Spring
- Olive Ridler reported on the **Walking Group** stating they are doing a combination of bush walks and city walks and average 5-6 people so far. Laurier Woods next week.
- Tom Cook reported on **Outdoor Group**. They had great hike at Nordic and propose snowshoeing if anyone is interested. Other club members welcome.
- **Choir.** John Roberts reported group of approximately 18 meet every Wednesday at 1:30-3:00. Need more men for bass and more sopranos.
- **R.O.P.E.O.** Greg Godin reported on the meal held at the North Bay Golf & Country Club. Attended by 27 people. Jeff Mancini gave talk on the history of the club. Greg suggested we try new BBQ restaurant called Lou Dawgs on Main Street for next outing.
- John also gave us a playback of his efforts at pickle ball. Seems like great social activity. No injuries to date.
- **Wine Club** – Barb Weeks and Carol Brisson are still in the thinking stages of this one.
- Lorraine Downey explained what the **Knitting Club** is up to. The Red Scarf Project is to promote World AIDS Awareness Week, December 1-5<sup>th</sup>. The Aid's Society supplies the red wool if anyone else is interested in knitting some scarves. Located at Sibbit Building, second floor. No meeting in December.
- Greg Godin who arranges our **Social Activities** (speakers) told us next month is Dr. Adam Adler, a composer and choir master. March speaker is Brian Chute - a pharmacist. Speakers to consider are Jack Lockhart - artist, Mark Lachappelle – 22 Wing Commander and someone representing the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre to discuss recent scams.

- It's no joke re AADD, age activated deficit disorder which we all apparently have. Funny.
- Introduction of North Bay's Market Management team by Greg Godin. Team includes Ann Board, her daughter, Mary Willard, Mitch (Leisure Farms) and Donovan Daniel. North Bay won "Market of the Year" for 2018 evaluated from 180 entries. Congratulations. New vendors from a 100km radius have one year to become certified (My Pick Certification) keeping membership to local producers only. Live entertainment is supplied as well as something for the kids. Open Saturdays and Wednesdays 10-2 p.m. in spring/summer and located in the North Bay Mall in the winter on Saturdays.
- The \$20 draw was won by Donna Day-Hoyle and the Board Honey Bucket was won by Dan Laplante.
- Tom Cook thanked our speakers and presented Mary with gift of a pen.
- Adjournment at 12:02p.m.
- Next meeting set for Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, 10a.m. Bring your food (labelled) and enjoy our Christmas Pot Luck.