

## LINDSAY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB



Chapter #185 Charter Date: February 23rd 2007

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On March 14th we held our monthly meeting at Celebrations, with about 40 members attending. Following a 30 minute social time Club President, Sal Polito opened the meeting at 10:30am and welcomed everyone. After we stood for O'Canada, Sal then took a count of those wishing to attend the optional lunch before starting the business portion of the meeting.

We had four guests at this meeting; Charlie Bellerby a guest of Dennis Eaton; Greg Physick a guest of Jim Buchanan; Dan O'Connell and Dennis Johnston, both guests of Wayne Klein. Members were provided with a brief introduction of our guests by their hosts, with hopes that if they enjoyed the meeting and would consider joining the club.

There was one new member induction; John Saunders sponsored and introduced Chris Yu. Bob Whitfield presented Chris with his membership pin, badge and club materials as club members extended a warm welcome to Chis.

Sal introduced our featured member for this month, Ted Abbot. Ted is a past president of our club and provided members with an account of his earlier years, career and life in retirement. More on page 2...

Bob Barkwell was then called upon to introduce our guest speaker Larry Rose. Larry's talk was entitled "Famous Canadian Images of the Second World War: And the Stories Behind Them". Larry has authored two books about WWII, "Ten Decisions: Canada's Best, Worst and Most Far Reaching Decisions of the Second World War" and "Mobilize! Why Canada Was Unprepared for the Second World War".

His talk to our club focused on seven iconic images from WWII and provided an in-depth review and analysis of why each of these images were so important, then and now. His talk generated a lot of interest and was followed by numerous questions and observations from those in the audience. His talk is posted as an audio file on the club's website. More on page 3...

Larry then drew the winning ticket for the Share the Wealth draw and the winner was Jim Buchanan.

Sal announced that the position of Vice-President has been filled, with Bob Armstrong volunteering for this important role.

Sal thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting at 11:45am, with those going to lunch heading for Kelsey's.



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#### This Month's Featured Member ~ Ted Abbot



Ted joined the club in October 2008 and recently received his 15 year recognition award.

He is a Past President and Management Committee Member and is currently heading up our Probus Club's speakers committee.

Ted was born in Peterborough and immigrated to Lindsay after short stay in Bobcaygeon. He attended St. Dominic Catholic Boys School built in1868 (corner of Russell and Lindsay Streets), which was run by by Nuns - School Colours – Black and White.

He also attended LCVI for his high school education and became interested in chemistry and the sciences. Rich Brien and Mert Davis (Probus Members) were amongst his teachers.

Following his high school years, Ted worked for one year at Reichhold Chemicals on St. David Street, and then went to Ryerson (MTU) to study Polymer Chemistry.

He then joined Reichhold full time at their development laboratory in Weston, transferring to Lindsay as Quality Control Manager, then eventually as Plant Manager and Business Manager. Ted went on to spend 32 years in the Phenolic Molding Compound business in a variety of senior roles, although there were a number of mergers and acquisitions along the way.

Reichhold Chemicals was a Phenolic molding compounds manufacturer used by customer to mold electrical, automotive and appliance parts that were highly heat resistant and rugged. Otherwise know by some as Bakelite (actually a competitor's name).

Ted has been an active volunteer in a number of organizations over the years taking leadership roles as Past president of the Kinsmen, Lindsay Golf Club, Lindsay Boys & Girls Club, Lindsay Men's Probus Club.

He was also actively involved in fundraising to establish and maintain the Kawartha Trans Canada Trail.

In his retirement he continues this volunteerism tradition as President of the Riverside Cemetery Corporation, in Lindsay.

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#### Larry's talk featured these 7 photos...



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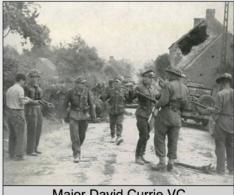
Churchill in Ottawa "The Roaring Lion"



The Dieppe Raid



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### **Club Notices**

# Next Club Meeting - Tuesday, April 11th at 10AM

**Speaker: Jon Thurston** "Sharing my 2022 Beijing Paralympic Experience"

#### Health & Welfare

If you know of any member who is experiencing health issues at this time, please contact Bruce Cameron ~ cam48retired@gmail.com

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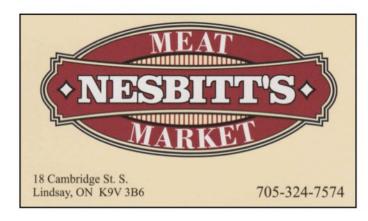
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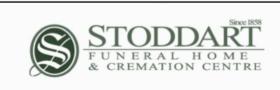
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