



LINDSAY MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

Chapter #185 Charter Date: February 23rd 2007

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On Tuesday January 9th, we held our monthly meeting at Celebrations, with 50+ members attending. Following a 30 minute social time, Club President, Bob Armstrong opened the meeting at 10:30am and welcomed everyone and wished all our members a happy and prosperous new year. We then stood for O'Canada, before Bob asked for a moments silence in memory of Don Brown's wife Elinor, who passed on January 4th 2024.

We had several guests at this meeting : Charlie McDonald guest of Milt Battersby; Don Blake guest of Irwin Brown; Ron McInnis guest of Don Holbrook; Gerry Armstrong and Adam Hayward guests of Bob Whitfield.

Bob asked Ted Abbot to introduce our guest speaker, Shakir Rehmatullah, Founder & CEO of Flato Developments.

Shakir began his presentation by acknowledging members of the audience including the current Deputy Mayor, former Mayor and former councillors of CKL. He expressed his gratitude for the support he and his company has received from the communities in which Flato has development projects in, and highlighted the ongoing partnerships required to build high quality of life communities.

Although a for-profit organization, Shakir places a high priority on community development and believes that support for key infrastructure, such as hospitals, schools, green spaces and recreation play an important role in in sustainable towns and cities. He also is an enthusiastic supporter of the “Arts” and supports local organizations in this area, including the Academy Theatre and Art Gallery, as well as many other not-for-profits. (More on Page 3)

Following his presentation Shakir answered a multitude of questions on a wide variety of topics. Shakir was subsequently thanked by Bob Armstrong.

We inducted one new member, Philip Mayville who was sponsored by Dave Robertson.

The winner of the 50/50 draw was Jim Geddes.

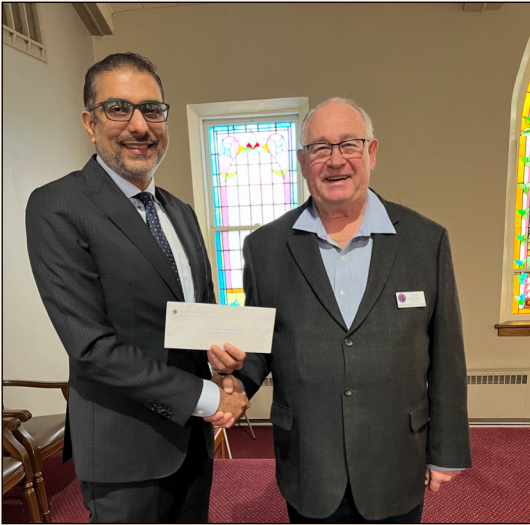
The meeting was adjourned at noon, with 20+ members heading to the Olympia Restaurant for lunch.

Link to Shakir on Youtube: <https://youtu.be/k3Prur1QzjE>

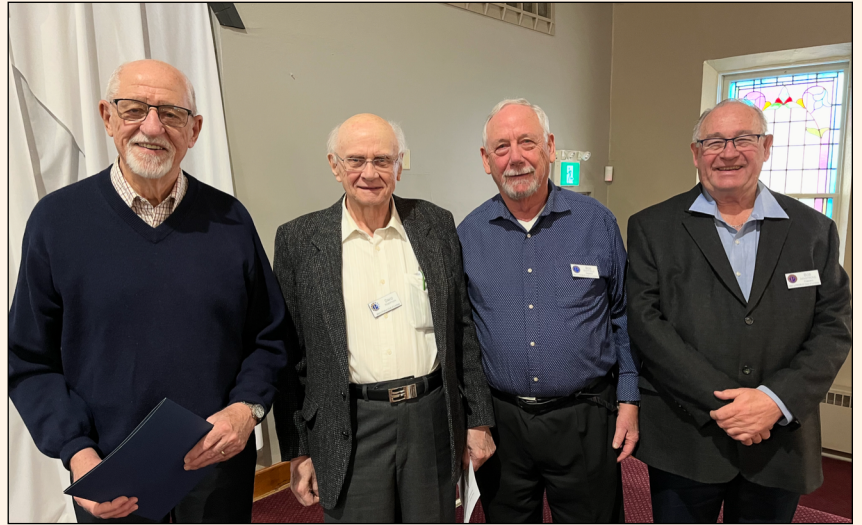
Wishing all Probus Members a Happy & Prosperous New Year!



Photo's



Guest Speaker Shakir Rehmatullah is thanked by Club President, Bob Armstrong.



New Member Philip Mayville with his Sponsor Dave Robertson, Bob Whitfield & Bob Armstrong.

Next Probus Meeting

Tuesday, February 13th 2024

Speaker - Dave Ellis, Wildlife Photographer



Health & Welfare

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Launched in 2005, FLATO Developments has introduced a new and refreshing spirit to community building across southern Ontario. The homebuilder has quickly established a reputation for paying meticulous attention to the finest details, whether it be how to seamlessly integrate a new neighbourhood into the existing community fabric, to offering distinctive architecture and design flourishes, and going above and beyond to ensure 100-per-cent customer satisfaction. It's an impressive reputation, and one the company strives to exceed with every new community-building initiative.

A Vision for Diverse Housing Options

FLATO's vision in East Lindsay includes a mixed-use community, with options for live, work, shop and play. This vision will enhance the community in East Lindsay around I. E. Weldon Secondary and provide beautiful, and affordable options for people to call home, with a variety of housing choices, including purpose-built rentals and seniors' residences.

We are planning a community hub that will offer increased access to services the area needs, like grocery and live-work spaces. We would like to build new parks and are proposing a new community centre, with input from the community. FLATO is listening to the community needs and hopes to add in new amenities to existing neighbourhoods.

Community Benefits

We are at the start of our journey in East Lindsay. Our intention is to provide a diversity of housing options that will keep Lindsay thriving as the heart of the Kawartha Lakes. Our goal is to provide the community with opportunity to find the home of their dreams, with housing choices for all generations, whether it is seniors or young families. Building a community means supporting and providing housing options for all.

This new community can be a home for people looking to set up roots and work locally, while also meeting the needs of the current community by providing a diversity of housing options. This project is expected to generate jobs and is an economic boon to the community and surrounding area.

At FLATO we believe in investing in the local economy and supporting local business. We look forward to meeting with local businesses to learn more about how we can collaborate and keep the city of the Kawartha Lakes thriving. We are in early-stage discussions with municipal officials and the community as we map out an exciting future community that we can all be proud to call home.

FLATO's Record of Excellence

At FLATO, we believe in taking a grassroots approach: FLATO has a history of working with communities, understanding their needs, and carefully managing development to help them grow and thrive.

From healthcare to past emergency PPE support for essential workers, FLATO is about supporting communities and ensuring access for all. We are committed to working with the community with purposeful development that benefits everyone for generations to come.

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