



Newsletter

Probud Club Vancouver

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Next Meeting: May 13, 2003

Time: 9:30am

**Location: H.R. MacMillan Planetarium and
Space Centre, Lower Level**

**Speaker: Pat Jacobsen, Chief Executive Officer,
Translink**

May 2003

Minutes of April 8, 2003 - Attendance: 146 and 5 guests

The meeting was opened at 9:58 by President **Don Farquhar**. **John Hopkins** reported that 22 of 25 clubs had responded in regards to the May Convention. Response has been good, particularly to the banquet.

Tom McCusker reported the trip to the Mariner is over booked, necessitating a draw. The date is June 24th, spaces available 64.

Treasurer **Bill Wallace** reported we are in good financial shape with between 6 and 10 thousand dollars in the bank. **Fred Cotton** reported our next speaker will be Pat Jacobsen, President of the Greater Vancouver Transit Authority (Translink). He hopes to have a speaker on Islam for the July meeting. **Dick Matthews** reported we took in 12 new members in January, but still 20 on the waiting list. **Chris Lee** reported on the walking tour of New Westminster.

Tours will be on May 7 and May 27,

2003. Either Chris or **Doug Lambert** will let people know which tour they will be on. **Bill Kennedy** then reported on the Golf Tournament. Another 8 players are needed. Draw will be on April 20, 2003. Tee time 11am. Roy Williams thanked all those who have contributed to the newsletter. **Doug Lambert** - no report. **John Hoyle** - no report.

Don Hudson then introduced our speaker - Keith Purchase, Chair, Vancouver Coastal Health (V.C.H.) Mr. Purchase opened his talk with slides showing the vision of V.C.H.

1. It's about patients
2. It's about access
3. It's about building a sustaining system of care

In addition they are committed to supporting health lines, in healthy communities with our partners through care, education and research.

In December 2001, 52 Health Regions Incorporated into 5 regional Health Authorities, coordinated by a 6th, the Provincial Health Services Authority. This results in multiple benefits. He then discussed the following:

1. V.C.H. Statistics (Service over one million people)
2. B.C. Health Statistics (41% of Provincial Budget)
3. B.C. Government Achievements (5 new initiatives)
4. V.C.H Achievements (14 New Initiatives)

He then discussed further aspects of the VCH vision:

1. Primary Care - doctors, nurses, pharmacists
2. Acute Care - In hospital care
3. Community Care - home care, day care, palliative care
4. The balanced scored - A performance rating
5. Academics and Research
6. Seniors Health Research
7. Communication

He concluded his talk by saying we know what people want but the goal will only be possible with all of us working together.

Tom McCusker then thanked the Speaker in his typical appropriate and friendly humorous way.

A.K. Knudsen
Secretary Pro Term

May Greeters:

John Beveridge
Allan Baker

May Cash Desk:

Jack Croll
George Adams

Members Services Desk:

Tom McCusker



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

May offers the opportunity to extend the fellowship of Probus. About 70 members of clubs from all over BC will gather in Tsawwassen for the Probus BC convention. This annual event allows an exchange of lists of speakers, and ideas for sponsored events. But the most important function will be to create a venue for the opportunity to make new contacts and friendships with colleagues from around the Province. If you are interested, you are welcome to join us at the banquet on the night of Thursday, May 8 at the Best Western Hotel in Tsawwassen.

Don Farquhar

PAT JACORSEN

Chief Executive Officer, Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority, (known as Translink) the planning and funding authority for all modes of transportation in the region.

A former Deputy Minister of Transportation for Ontario, as well as head of property management for the Province. Pat is familiar with the challenges of mobility of goods and people in major urban centres, complex major capital projects, building consensus and public/private partnerships. During her leadership she developed the Greater Toronto Area Transportation Plan and funding strategy as well as the Highway 407 public/private partnership strategy. Pat also spent nine years in the financial services industry in Toronto and Winnipeg. In addition to CEO of Translink, Pat is a member of the UBC Department of Commerce Faculty Advisory Board, a member of the BC Climate Change Economic Impacts Panel, a Board member of the B.C. Cancer Foundation, Chair of the Transportation Property & Casualty Company Inc. Board, and a director of the Vancouver Whistler 2010 Bid Corporation.

MANKIND'S GOLDEN RULE

Condensed from "The World's Great Scriptures"...Lewis Browne

Through the scriptures of seven of the world's leading religions runs a single theme, expressed in astonishingly similar form:

BRAHMANISM: This is the sum of duty: Do naught unto others which would cause you pain if done to you. - Mahabharata 5:1517

BUDDHISM: Hurt not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful
- Udanavarga 5:18

CONFUCIANISM: Is there one maxim which ought to be acted upon throughout one's whole life? Surely it is the maxim of loving - kindness: Do not unto others what you would not have them do unto you. - Analects 15:23

TAOISM: Regard your neighbour's gain as your own gain, and your neighbor's loss as your own loss.
-T'ai-Shang Kan-Ying P'ien

JUDAISM: What is hateful to you, do not to your fellow man. That is the entire Law; all the rest is commentary.
- Talmud, Shabbat 31a

CHRISTIANITY: All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the Law and the Prophets. - Matthew 7:12

ISLAM: No one of you is a believer until he desires for his brother that which he desires for himself.
-Sunan

Seven Seas Mariner Tour and Lunch June 24, 2003
You and your spouse have made the cut!

G. Beagrie
D. Campbell
R. Carder
R. Casson
F. Cotton
M. Endelman
R. English
D. Farquhar
C. Foster
A. Giles (1)
T. Heenan
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G. Jerkins
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D. MacDonell
B. Macdougall
J. Macgowan

D. Mann
P. McBride
G. Miller
David Moir
E. Moul
C. Parry
T. Perry
W. Robinson
S. Stordy
R. Swannell
G. Thom
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R. Weese
A. Wooster

If you cannot go on this date, please advise the office.

