



THE PRO-BUZZ

JANUARY 2011
HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Prior to racing ahead with our dreams and hopes for 2011 or as it's being called...twenty-eleven, perhaps we should look back and remember what a busy and entertaining year we had in 2010. If you feel a tad tired this might explain it. Also a get ready to all our new members to be prepared for lots of fun and volunteering!!

Northumberland Probus welcomed our new President, Marie Van Dusen, who presided over 3 meetings at the end of the year after Danny Robertson had presided over 18 meetings. Now with 12 months in the year and 2 meetings per month does anyone recall why we were 3 meetings short??

For those who enjoyed watching others perform there were plays, shows and exhibitions including:

The Long Weekend, Sweeney Todd, Fiddler on the Roof, Millbrook King Street Players, Eldorado Town, Broadway in the Barn, Big Band Concert and Dance, Having Hope at Home, White Christmas, Canadian Tenors, and the Warrior Emperor and China's Terracotta Army.

Thank you Verna and to all the hard working social volunteers!!

Marcie Polson and Doris Rasmussen continued throughout the year finding economical and delightful spots for us to have a luscious lunch. Well done ladies and thanks for our visits to: The Buttermilk Café, Casey's, Dalewood, The Oasis, Frenchies, The Matterhorn, Rosewood Estates, The Mill, and George's Fish & Chips. Let's do it again.



If that wasn't enough fun we continued our dining pleasure with a Robbie Burn's Day celebration, a Valentine's luncheon, giddy-up rides at Sandy Flatts Sugar Bush, breakfast on May 10th to celebrate our 10th Anniversary Celebration, Picnic in the Park, games and a BBQ at Bill and Everil Alls home, and our Christmas Party.

More fun stuff included in no particular order:

Ski trip to Malone, N.Y., Bowling Tournament, the Sale of Tulips for Parkinson's Society which raised \$700.00, Spring Fling, Buckhorn Golf Trip, Canada Day Parade, The Car Rally, Horse Racing at Kawartha Downs, our Halloween Dress-Up Meeting, Remembrance Day, the Christmas walk through at Sam and Sue's and our December Christmas Party.

Let us not forget the golfing venues near and dear to our former President's heart....

Salt Creek, Pine Ridge, Warkworth, Ash Brook, Newcastle, Shelter Valley, Roxborough Glen, and Cobourg Creek.

How well we have been entertained and how much we have learned through Ron Templer's and Anne Grant's imagination and doggedness in acquiring guest speakers for our meetings. This year we benefited from:

Mary Anne Rowlands—Help Centre Services
Cameron McFarlane—Tour of duty in Afghanistan
Angi Sazekas—Ten Thousand Villages
Shari Seymour—Canine Therapy
Kim Lauder—Habitat for Humanity
Paul Van Laren—C.E.O. of Sabc Corp
Kyle Barber—Y.M.C.A.
Ann Cox—Northumberland Hospice
Marie Webster—Tai Chi



Bill Patchet/Frank Farago—NHH Alternative Solutions
Les Britton—Auctioneering
Gordon Ley/Paul Allen—Community Centre update
David Rumble—Heraldry
Doug Ireland—Coveright Company
Wayne Deveau—Corp of Commissionaires
Toni Thompson—Equestrian Art Form of Dressage
Shawn Scrimshaw—Flying Canadaian Forces Griffon helicopters
Terry Stanley—Police suggestions and rules of the road
Jamie Doolittle—Vanishing Veterans
Norm & Jan Lundbohm—Travelogue to parts of China

There are a couple of other things that need our recognition and they are:

Pat Hawkins and her greeters make us feel welcome when we attend meetings.

Our bylaws were updated and sanctioned by our members.

Hear, Hear to Sue Lanctot for a magnificent photo album/scrapbook.

Special thanks from all of us and personally from Marg Denny to Barb Lawrence and Ann Hollis for assuming Marg's duties during her absence.

AND

Life-time membership awarded to Ron and Verna Templer—a first for our club.

NOTE If I missed an event or venue or something one of our members was involved in then I apologize. I am really looking forward to this years programs. Can we top 2010?? Jamie

Coming Events by Verna Templer

Dinner Theatre at the Best Western

The Trouble with Richard. Friday, February 4th at 6:00 P.M.

Tickets \$33.75 ea and available January 13th and January 27th

Billy Elliot opens in February in Toronto and hopefully it will run until we have Spring weather. However we will be going. More info today.



ANNIE—A Northumberland Players Production at the Capital Theatre

Friday, March 4th at 7:30 P.M.

Saturday, March 5th at 2:00 P.M.

You may purchase tickets for your Grandchildren etc..

Tickets available January 13th and 27th and in February.

As we do not publish in December here is a 2 month recap of our very busy season:

A REALITY CHECK

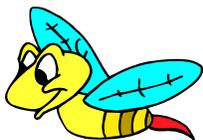
On November 10,2010, a group of our PROBUS members boarded a bus from Cobourg to the Royal Ontario Museum(ROM)in Toronto where the Emperor Qin Shiuang's Eternal Terra-cotta Warriors and other relevant artifacts from an excavated site in China were on display.

For some of us, the ride to and from Toronto was a “reality check”(defined by my pocket Oxford dictionary “as an occasion on which one confronts reality”). Although it seemed to us that our driver took the most congested roads to and from Toronto, our seats allowed us to view the passing landscape of other roads, buildings, and of vistas on either side.

Despite Toronto's growth in area since the Second World War, much of the inner core is relatively the same. Many of the districts bring back fond memories: when cars didn't dominate our daily lives, and when costs were at least reasonable.

What is interesting about the current ROM exhibition is that one sees examples of a tribute to the emperor and a warring nation that resulted in change and growth. It took 15 years from 230BC to 221BC for the emperor to unify the Eastern six states of what would become China, resulting in the creation of the first centralized, autocratic feudal empire that put an end to the centuries old division and warring period. He recruited wise counselors and bold artisans, enacted well defined laws, standardized written language, common currency, weights and measures, economic growth and cultural exchanges that exerted a favourable and effective influence on later generations.

Good sculptural art has to be created by artists and craftsmen who labour during peaceful times under good organizational direction. The few excellent examples of the ROM exhibition were only a small representation of the vast array of clay/terra cotta sculptured soldiers shown in the many large photographs and gives only a hint of the complexity of the treasure that was found after so long a time. The



purpose of the exhibition, that of attracting visitors to the actual site, undoubtedly will have been accomplished.

The completion of our tour was only fitting with the evening stop-over in Pickering with a Chinese dinner before returning homeward to Cobourg.

Submitted by Roland Alexander

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

Our own veteran, Ron Templer, conducted our service which was actually on November 11th. He introduced the other eleven veterans who had served in Canadian and British armed forces. During this time it became 11:00 and we paused for two minutes of silence. Then Archie McGeachy piped Loch Rannoch(The Last Post) on his bagpipes. Verna Templer recited "In Flanders Fields and we then sang "O Canada" with help from Marjorie Mayer on the piano. Jamie Doolittle read an article entitled "A Week To Remember" which was published in Salute which is the newspaper of Veterans Affairs Canada. To close the service Archie McGeachy played The Battle's Over(retreat).

We were fortunate a few months ago to discover three more veterans in our midst. As our tribute to all veterans who have served their countries at various times your editors are pleased to report their stories.

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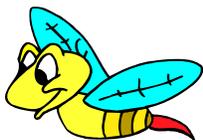
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Alan Levitt

Enlisted in Church Fenton England on May 30, 1950 joining the R.A.F. His work was in the Air Traffic Control system logging in and out all flights. In the control tower he was part of The Twelve Group Fighter Command. As well as the logging it was Alan's job to summon the crash crew when an airplane came in and crashed or was in difficulty. He was discharged as an Air Craftsman 1 on October 18, 1951. His lasting memory of the time in service is..... Being in the Control Tower, surrounded by glass for visibility, when an airplane came in for a landing. The planes landing gear collapsed and the plane veered and started spinning wildly toward the tower. Emergency switches were pulled and the plane stopped short of Alan.

Norm Lundbohm

He enlisted in Halifax on February 23, 1953 joining the R.C.A.F. He was an electrical technician working on saber jets. His work took him to Camp Borden, Manitoba, St. Jeans, Quebec, two years in Germany and also Morocco. Further duties with Air Search Rescue saw him serving in Norfolk, Virginia as well as Ireland. He was discharged as a Corporal in Greenwood, Nova Scotia on February 22, 1958. His lasting memory of the time in service is..... The opportunity he had and took to visit his relatives in Sweden when he was serving in Germany with our Snowbirds. He is the only one of his six siblings to have met his Swedish aunts, uncles, and cousins.

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Four of our veterans were not in attendance at our ceremony and we look forward to hopefully seeing all our veterans at our service this coming November 10, 2011.

THE LUNCH BUNCH

After our meeting on November 26th, 60 of our members attended a lunch at Rosewood Estates. It is Cobourg's newest retirement living spot with apartment rentals.



We were served in their beautiful dining room with a menu consisting of Salisbury steak with mushroom sauce accompanied by juice, salad, pasta, and vegetables. Dessert was ginger/pear upside down cake plus tea or coffee. All this for only \$9.00.

We all had the chance of winning a draw for a food basket. The lucky winner was Diana Flynn.

Prior to leaving the dining room Bill Ramsay entertained us by tinkling the ivories which were in the room.

Pulling ourselves away from Bill's music we joined a tour of the premises. We were shown their furnished unoccupied suites and other beautifully furnished rooms such as a games room, chapel, exercise room, beauty salon etc.. I think we were all impressed.

This lunch will be hard to beat!

See you this month at.....THE BUTTERMILK CAFÉ....

Thursday, January 27th at 12:15 P.M. with a choice of one of the following:

Bacon & Swiss Quiche with house salad

Chicken Quesadilla with walnuts

Old Fashioned Beef Pie(new recipe) with a side salad

Great pastries and desserts are available on request(new pastry chef)

All of the above for only \$8.49....Gratuities, Tax & Beverage Extra

Submitted by Doris Rasmussen and Marcie Polson

WHITE CHRISTMAS

Once again Northumberland Probus Club was out in force to support and enjoy a locally staged show. This time it was that old seasonal favourite White Christmas. NOW, if you were expecting to see Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye and George Clooney's aunt, you might have been somewhat disappointed.

But, if you enjoy the music of Irving Berlin you would have enjoyed the local production. While the dialogue might have been a little stiff, the singing and the dancing were excellent. Joel Varty [Bob Wallace] and Sean Winchester [Phil Davis] were both in fine voice.

Not to be out done, Marlena Sharp [Betty Haynes] and Emma Fleury [Judy



Haynes] were also in fine form and their rendition of Sisters was exceptional.

Bill Hubbs [General Waverly] seemed to have the easiest time delivering his lines, but of course we know Generals don't have to sing or dance.

Holly Carroll [Martha Watson] and Grant Coward [Ezekiel Foster] added the right amount of humour and where no slouches when it came their turn to sing and dance. Add to all that, nary a sour note out of the band. As we were leaving I heard some one say "loved that drummer"

Three things stand out for me, the dancing of Sean Winchester and Emma Fleury , Joel Varty's rendition of White Christmas and the fact that every one on stage seemed to be enjoying themselves.

Submitted by Doug & Jennifer Lloyd

FOUR CANADIAN TENORS SHOW

A full busload of Probus members left Cobourg on December 3rd, headed for Toronto. The bus was full, as a result of considerable effort on the part of Verna Templer. In addition to our own members, she was able to attract 6 members from the Cobourg Probus Club, and another 6 members from the Northshore Probus Club, to help fill the bus.

The weather was great for the trip, and our driver did a good job of getting us to the theater early for the show. Apparently, this was the same driver who managed to take an extra couple of hours going to and from the ROM.

The Sony Theater has been newly renovated since the last time I had been there. The results are very impressive, and the acoustics were excellent. Also, we had some of the best seats in the theater.

The Four Canadian Tenors were a treat to listen to, and they had several excellent guests performing as well. In summary, the trip and show were first class. Thanks to Verna Templer for her time and effort in making all the arrangements for this trip. Also, thanks to Sue Lanctot for helping Verna with this trip.

Reported by: Danny Robertson



The Speaker's Corner...by Anne Grant

January 13th Ken Prue discussing possible uses for the Park Playhouse

January 27th Joanna Bonebakker about the Northumberland Learning Connections

February 10th Brian Bowden from Brighton telling us about llamas

February 24th Heather Nemec from Northumberland Waste Management

Three of our new members have agreed to tell us a little bit about themselves and here are their stories:

William Ruttle has lived in Northumberland for 15 years and is presently residing at 412-181 King Street East, Cobourg. His phone # is 905-373-9210 and his e-mail is : fvardeenwruttle@cogeco.ca He has been retired for 10 years after working as an electrician and electronic technician. His interests are bagpiping and not surprisingly portraying Santa Claus. He is also a member of the Legion.

Andy Durno and Murriel Cole reside at 546 Monk's Cove, Cobourg. Their telephone # is 905-377-1510 and e-mail is amduerno@sympatico.ca Murriel has lived in Northumberland for 31 years and Andy has been here for 14 years. It was 14 years ago that Andy tried to retire from the O.P.P. and he is now semi-retired as the force keeps calling him back to help them out. With the O.P.P. he has been involved in gambling, drugs, and organized crime. Murriel and Andy both enjoy boating and are members of The Cobourg Yacht Club. They are willing to assist with our Probus events as has already been witnessed by our last car rally.

Probus Christmas Party 2010

On Thursday, December 9th, 124 Probus members and guests enjoyed a full-course, sit-down, turkey dinner. The meal was prepared and served by the staff at the Lions Centre; they couldn't have done a better job. Grace was delivered in Latin. The hall and the tables were beautifully decorated for everyone to get into the Christmas spirit. Underneath one coffee cup at each



table was a rare gem reportedly from a mine in Africa. The individual uncovering said gem won the exquisite centerpiece again reportedly made from fine crystal.

During our dessert, we had a “surprise” visit from Santa Claus who came in from the North Pole just in time to help Carol, Jamie, Joe and Diana, hand out 70 door prizes . The music for the evening was provided by Bob and Lee, and as usual, the dance floor was full for most of the evening. This event could not have taken place without the help of our volunteers and thanks goes to Ron & Verna Templer, Brian Salley, Jerry Moran, Chris Tidy, Carol and Jamie Doolittle, Joe and Diana Flynn, as well as members of our executive.

Mark your calendars for the 2011 Probus Christmas Party which is set for Thursday, December 8th. We hope to see you there.

We wish everyone a healthy 2011. Submitted by Diana Flynn

2010 CHRISTMAS MAGIC

On a cold windy December evening a dedicated group of Probus Members came for a Christmas visit at the home of Sam and Sue.

They viewed several displays including Mickey’s Clocks, Carousel, Tony’s Train Station, Oliver’s Toy Store, a Sleeping Santa, a Talking Globe, and a Downtown Village to add to everyone’s Christmas spirit.

A big THANK YOU is sent to all of Santa’s Elves, Verna Templer, Betsey Stanley and Barb Evans for all their Christmas assistance.

A generous donation of \$50.00 to the Cobourg Humane Society was collected for all our furry friends that need help.

Merry Christmas everyone.

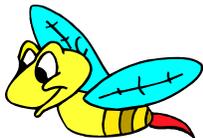
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In Memorium...Bill Patterson, an Honourary Member on December 31st

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It wasn't a honeymoon trip to Niagara Falls, but our bus trip to Viagara Falls surely produced more laughs.

The bus was loaded and on the 401 by 9:30 A.M.--Probus members are to be commended for being "on time" or early.

The trip was terrific--every detail made simple by Verna Templer's great planning. The bus was clean and comfortable and arrived in plenty of time for a bountiful buffet lunch. We were escorted to our tables by pleasant attentive staff and treated exceptionally well. The food was top notch--lots of it; the beverage service was super; and the play hilarious! The three actors really carried everyone along with their story.

The total everything cost of \$65.00 was amazing. Thank you Verna for a marvellous outing. We hope it can be done again soon.

Submitted by Barbara Jean Taylor

Silver in the Hair

**Gold in the Teeth.
Stones in the Kidneys**

Sugar in the Blood.

Lead in the Ass.

Iron in the Arteries.

**And an inexhaustible supply of Natural Gas.
*I never thought I'd accumulate such wealth...***

TWO WOLVES



One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people.

He said, "My son, the battle is between two wolves inside us all.

"One is Evil - It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority, and ego.

"The other is Good - It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith."

**The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather:
"Which wolf wins?"**

The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."

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THE SPEAKERS CORNER.

Jan.14th

Mary Anne Rowlands speaking on The Help Centre.

Jan.28th

Cam McFarlane from the RCMP speaking on his tour of duty in Afghanistan.

Feb.11th

Angi Sazekas speaking on Ten Thousand Villages.

Feb.25th

Shari Seymour speaking on Rehabilitating Pets

Submitted by Ron Templer

How bad is the economy?

The economy is so bad that I got a pre-declined credit card in the mail.



It's so bad, I ordered a burger at McDonalds and the kid behind the counter asked, "Can you afford fries with that?"

The economy is so bad that CEO's are now playing miniature golf.

The economy is so bad if the bank returns your check marked "Insufficient Funds," you call them and ask if they meant you or them.

The economy is so bad Hot Wheels and Matchbox stocks are trading higher than GM.

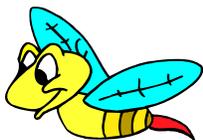
The economy is so bad parents in Beverly Hills fired their nannies and learned their children's names.

The economy is so bad a truckload of Americans was caught sneaking into Mexico .

The economy is so bad Dick Cheney took his stockbroker hunting.

The economy is so bad Motel Six won't leave the light on anymore.

The economy is so bad the Mafia is laying off judges.



The economy is so bad Exxon-Mobil laid off 25 Congressmen

CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE!!

On behalf of the Northumberland Help Centre I want to thank the Northumberland Probus Club members for their kind and generous contributions to the Help Centre this past Christmas.

These contributions were made possible by Sue Lanctot and Sam Oliver who opened their home to show their wonderful Christmas decorations and displays....and what displays they were. Singing ducks and dogs; talking globes; choo-choo trains; an unbelievably long winter scene in a cupboard; great big stuffed Disney dolls and two wonderful hosts. If you missed the visit this year and have the chance to go in another year, we recommend you do so.

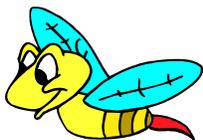
\$246.00 was collected from their 62 visitors and it is most appreciated. I have listed some of the ways your donations to the Help Centre help the residents of Northumberland.

In 2009...

- 881 homes avoided having their utilities disconnected
- 1,066 people visited the Centre's food cupboard
- 1,200 Milk for Moms coupons were distributed
- 323 residents received financial help to purchase health items.

Thank you again and all the best in 2010.

Doug Lloyd



He said to me..Why are married women heavier than single women?

I said to him..Single women come home, see what's in the fridge & go to bed. Married women come home, see what's in the bed & go to the fridge.

REMEMBRANCE DAY AT NORTHUMBERLAND PROBUS

While one of your editors was sipping cocktails in St. Maarten, your other editor, at the suggestion of Pete Pedersen, was busy interviewing the veterans whom we acknowledged last November 13th.

There are 9 stories which follow. All the veterans were asked the same set of questions which provided many varied answers. Michael Hanlon was not at the front in November but is a veteran which according to the Royal Canadian Legion and the Oxford Dictionary is defined as “ An ex-member of the armed forces”. Here are their stories compiled in alphabetical order:

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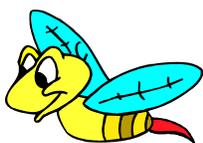
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Cecil Yanta

Enlisted in North Bay on October 7, 1943. He joined the RCAF as a technician and eventually ended up doing payroll. Service was in Brandon Manitoba, Trenton and Rockcliffe Ontario, St Huberts and Lachine Quebec and a posting in London England. His final rank was a Air Craftsman First Class and he was discharged on October 16, 1945 in Toronto. His lasting memory of the time in service is..... Remembering fondly the friends from Cobalt who didn't make it back home.

Many thanks to those of you who invited me into your homes to do these interviews. I very much appreciated your gracious hospitality. Jamie

Coming Events.

January 28th

We will be celebrating Robbie Burns birthday, so get out your plaids and wear them on the 28th. Lets hope Archie can once again give us a tune on the pipes.

February 11th

Will be our Valentines Bash. For this we need some volunteers. This is an easy one. We will have lunch after the meeting here at the Lion's Centre. We will have our usual mixer with valentines. Please make or buy a valentine and sign your name on it. Put it in an envelope and we will collect them at the door and randomly give them out. You will meet other members of the club so bring a valentine and enjoy it.

Friday February 5th.

Dinner Theatre at the Best Western. The show is Steel Magnolias, and I am assured that it will be a much better performance than the last one. Tickets are available today and at the next meeting. \$33.75 each

What a wonderful xmas party we had on Thursday Dec. 10th. My sincere thanks to the organizers Doreen and Brian Scott and Pat and Jerry Moran. They did a magnificent job on the decorations. The food was delicious as usual and the entertainment super as usual. Santa and his gifts were plentiful and all around good comaradarie among our members. However we are sorry that it all ended with Doreen falling and having to go by ambulance to the hospital. Thankfully she was able to spend Xmas with her family and is getting back to good health

submitted by Verna Templer.



Ever wondered about **Guts or Balls...**

There is a medical distinction. We've all heard about people having guts or balls, but do you really know the difference? In an effort to keep you informed, the definitions are listed below:

GUTS - Arriving home late after a night out with the boys, being met by your wife with a broom, and having the guts to ask: "Are you still cleaning, or are you flying somewhere?"

BALLS - Coming home late after a night out with the boys, smelling of perfume and beer, lipstick on your collar, slapping your wife on the bum and having the balls to say: "You're next, fatty."

I hope this clears up any confusion. Medically speaking, there is no difference, since both ultimately result in death.

Love Making Tips For Seniors

1. Wear your glasses.



TO make sure your partner is actually in the bed.

**2. Set timer for 3 minutes,
In case you doze off in the middle.**

**3. Set the mood with lighting.
(Turn them ALL OFF!)**

**4. Make sure you put 911 on your speed dial
before you begin.**

**5. Write partner's name on your hand in
case you can't remember.**

**6. Use extra polygrip so your teeth don't end
up under the bed.**

**7. Have Tylenol ready in case you actually
complete the act..**

8. Make all the noise you want...



The neighbors are deaf too.

**9. If it works, call *everyone* you know with
the good news!!**

10. Don't even think about trying it twice.

'OLD' IS WHEN...

Your sweetie says, 'Let's go upstairs And make love,' and
you answer, 'Pick one; I can't do both!'

'OLD' IS WHEN...

Your friends compliment you on your new alligator shoes
And you're barefoot.

'OLD' IS WHEN...

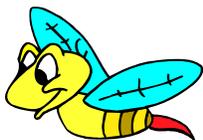
Going bra-less pulls all the wrinkles out of your face.

'OLD' IS WHEN....

You don't care where your spouse goes, just as long as you
don't have to go along.

'OLD' IS WHEN...

You are cautioned to slow down by the doctor instead of by
the police.



'OLD' IS WHEN..

'Getting a little action' means you don't need to take any fiber today.

'OLD' IS WHEN...

'Getting lucky' means you find your car in the parking lot.

'OLD' IS WHEN...

An 'all nighter' means not getting up to use the bathroom.

AND

'OLD' IS WHEN...

You are not sure if these are facts or jokes???

**(I sent this in large type
So you can read it)**

Lunch Bunch Musings

Our Lunch Bunch group of 25 met at the Mill Restaurant and Pub on November 26 and we enjoyed a nice varied set menu. The Chef kindly added to the menu, at our request, steak and mushroom pie that was quite delicious I am told.

Our next lunch bunch on January 28 will meet at the Buttermilk Café and a set menu will be provided along with the sign-up sheet. We would ask you to please tick off your choice of #1, #2 or #3 beside your name.

The Chef has to be notified of the numbers attending and their choices of menu by January 25 so please sign up at our first meeting on January 14 if at all possible.

Many thanks to Vivian Foster who types this handwritten account and then e-mails it to the Editors of The Pro-Buzz, Jamie & Ron.



Submitted by Doris Rasmussen and Marcie Polson

PS We are always open at any time to suggestions from our members for places for lunch.

I never pray on a golf course. Actually, the Lord answers my prayers everywhere except on the golf course. Billy Graham

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